

ACSS Totem Times

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Please visit our website <u>www.acsstotems.ca</u> for more information.

Upcoming Calendar Events

Monday Feb 15th, 2021

Tuesday Feb 16th, 2021

Feb 22-26 2021

No School—Family Day Course Planning Opens Diversity Respect Week



February 12th, 2021

Good afternoon Aldergrove Community Secondary School students and families,

Happy Family Day on Monday and Happy Valentine's Day on Sunday. With the District Professional Development Day happening on Friday and Family Day being on Monday, students will have a long weekend to rest, recuperate and prepare for the rest of Quarter 3 classes.

This week at the school had messages of completion (Quarter 2 report cars were published to the MyEducation BC portal on Tuesday) meeting messages of planning for the future (virtual course planning assemblies were presented to students and families on Wednesday evening and Thursday). It is the time of year where we begin gathering information regarding student course selections for next year – all BGMS Grade 8 students and ACSS Grade 9 – 11 students will be able to complete their course selection forms online beginning Tuesday, February 16th. We hope to have the vast majority of selections made and entered into the system by Monday, February 22nd. We will then begin the planning for the 2021-2022 school year. As we progress through this process, more information will be communicated through email and school newsletters.



School counselors, Mr. Silzer and Mr. Orchard presenting course planning options (virtually via TEAMS) to students and families on Wednesday evening.



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This week the ACSS Student Council planned and facilitated several school culture-building activities such as: Unmotivated PJ Day, Valentine's Colours Day, Twin Day, and Formal Day. The culminating activity was the "Valentine's Heart for Every ACSS Student" on Thursday – every student got the pleasure of finding a personalized Valentine's heart posted for them on the wall! A lot of fun was had by all! Thank you, Student Council.



ACSS Mandarin and English teacher, Mr. Glauser worked with his Mandarin 11 students to remind all of us at ACSS that Chinese New Year begins on Friday, February 12th. 2021 is officially the Year of the Ox.

Please see the information included in this newsletter regarding activities, events and initiatives happening around the school and, as always, please contact us if you have any comments, questions or concerns. Thank you.

Have a wonderful Family Day weekend,

Mr. M. Palichuk Principal Aldergrove Community Secondary School





PARENTS & GRADS! JOIN GRAD REMIND:

Text @acsgrad21 to 778-651-9772 All info for grad will be pushed here and posted on ACS-Grad 2021 Teams space. Grad Remind is a one-way notification system; we are only able to send messages, we cannot receive your messages on Remind. Any questions about Grad can be sent to Ms. Caines on Teams via email at kcaines@sd35.bc.ca

WE HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN!

We know that everyone is eager to hear about dates for Grad 2021. In the next few weeks, we will be firming up dates and locations for our ceremonies. Once we have that information, it will be posted to Grad Teams, Grad Remind, and all our ACSS Social Media pages. <u>Stay tuned!</u>



<u>GRAD YEARBOOK QUOTES</u>: Yearbook quotes are posted on the main foyer windows and on the walls down by the office back entrance (near the new mural and the 'Faces Behind the Mask' display.) Please make sure you proof your name, your photo, and your quote by Feb 19th. Failure to do so will result in your quote being printed 'as is' when that section of the yearbook goes to print in February.

<u>GRAD HOODIES (FINAL ORDER)</u>: The final order for grad hoodies is now on SchoolCashOnline. This will be the final chance to order hoodies for grad 2021, so don't miss out! We only order the exact amount that YOU paid for, so we will not have extras. Orders will be open until Feb 19th. We will submit the order <u>after</u> the deadline and the hoodie order will arrive <u>after</u> spring break. If you ordered your hoodie in the fall, we still have 8 that have not been picked up.





Aldergrove Community Secondary School

COURSE SELECTION ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS

All course requests for the 2021/2022 school year are being completed online. Please carefully follow the instructions below. Course requests are to be completed by Monday, February 22, 2021. If you want to make changes later, you may submit multiple corrected course requests online until February 25. MyEducation BC Prod 4

- Go to the following website: https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon
- You will need to the use the following log-in ID and password.

Login ID: Your 6 digit student number Password: default is Student\$35

3) The first time you log-in you will be prompted to change your password. Enter your current password, enter a new password, and confirm the new password. Click on OK.

Pas	sword Requirements
•	Minimum length is 8
•	At least one number
	At least one capital and lowercase letter
	At least one symbol that isn't a letter or number
	Can't contain 'password', login name, first name, middle
	name, last name, date of birth, personal id, or only sequential
	letters or numbers
	letters or numbers



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- 4) The system requires that you enter your email address and select a security question.
- To enter your course selection, first select the "MyInfo" tab at the top of the page.



Subject area

Language Arts Social Studies

Science

Electives

Mathematics

Select.

Select.

Select.

Select.

Select.

- Once here, carefully read the home page instructions specific to your grade at the top of the page. Primary requests
- 7) To make course selections click on "Select" and then choose your course.
- If you were unable to complete your course selections with the options in the 8) on-line course selection sheet, you can leave a note for the counsellor at the bottom of the page.
- 9) To confirm that you have completed your course selections click on the POST button THIS STEP

THIS STEP TO SUBMIT YOUR COURSE REQUEST.	Post	Last posted time:	Approved time:
10) If you have not completed all areas of the course selection sheet as required, a warning message will appear. Read the warning carefully and return to the are identified to correct any items missed in your course selection. Click on the POST button again once corrections have been made. A GREEN Message will appear when course selections have been successfully posted.		0	Requests posted successfully.

MINDFUL MONDAY AND FACT FRIDAY MESSAGES FROM JAIME ARTHURS— PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION FACILITATOR



https://www.5lovelanguages.com/quizzes/teen-quiz/

FACT FRIDAY

Healthy relationships can greatly benefit your physical and mental well-being



Signs of a Healthy Relationship:

- They encourage your connections with others
- They set their own boundaries and respect yours
- They make you feel seen, heard, and appreciate
- They communicate clearly and effectively



Grade 11/12 Hybrid Schedule for the First Half of Quarter 3

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM Period 1 (A2) 9:10 -11:20 AM	Full Class Instruction	Full Class Instruction	Full Class Instruction	Full Class Instruction	Full Class Instruction
Lunch					
РМ Period 2 (B2) 12:00 – 2:10 РМ	Group A stays for in-person instruction Group B leaves for remote instruction	Group B stays for in-person instruction Group A leaves for remote instruction	Online/Remote Instruction (Groups A & B)	Group A stays for in-person instruction Group B leaves for remote instruction	Group B stays for in-person instruction Group A leaves for remote instruction





COOPERATION ACTIVITY

HOW COMMUNICATION IS AFFECTED WHEN WE WORK IN GROUPS?





STUDENTS LEARNED HOW TO TROUBLESHOOT COMMON COMMUNICATION PROBLEMS!

sign of the Week

Signs of the Week

Pop down to Ms. Solvey's room for "Sign of the Week"

When she is here, you will find her in the Braille room, across from the

Dramnasium. Her schedule varies, so no set times, just pop by whenever.

From the doorway, you can learn new signs every week and build your vocab. Plus you will get a treat.

Knowledge is better when shared.

Hope to see you soon.



Our counselling department wants to make all of our families aware of some comprehensive family resources available for Aldergrove parents and students.

<u>BC211</u> Government resource to ask questions and find out about supports available in your community

Langley Children Large collection of resources for children and youth in Langley

Langley Children and Community Response to Covid -19: Children, Youth and Families







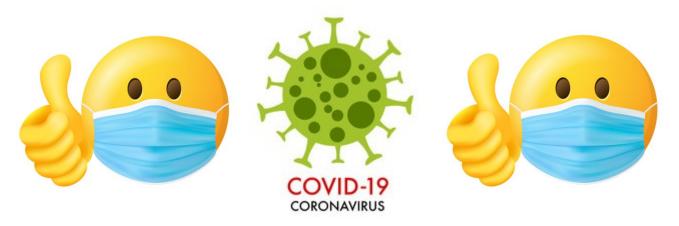


HEY TOTEMS YOU CAN NOW PURCHASE PE STRIP ON YOUR SCHOOL CASH ONLINE ACCOUNT. LOG IN AND YOU WILL SEE AN OPTION FOR PE STRIP -EXTRA. THERE IS AN OPTION TO PURCHASE EITHER A SHIRT OR SHORTS OR BOTH. \$20 FOR BOTH OR \$10 EACH!

QUESTIONS PLEASE SEE MARIE BEZANSON IN THE OFFICE OR VIA EMAIL MBEZANSON@SD35.BC.CA

IF YOU HAVE ANY





Enhanced Safety Measures for K-12 Schools

The District appreciates all the hard work from students, staff, and families in helping keep our community safe. We continue to work closely with the Ministry of Education and Provincial Health Office. This week the province announced changes to COVID-19 health and safety guide-lines for schools. Mask requirements for middle and secondary school students and K-12 staff have been amended. Guidelines have also been strengthened for physical education and music classes.

It is important to note, our schools will need some time to implement these new changes; all changes will be in effect as of February 26, 2021. Your continued patience and support are appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Please read below and full details found in the province's news release located on the District website <u>here</u>.

Changes to Mask Wearing

All middle and secondary students and K-12 staff will now be required to wear non-medical masks in all indoor areas, including when they are with their learning groups. The only exceptions are when:

- sitting or standing at their seat or workstation in a classroom;
- there is a barrier in place; or
- they are eating or drinking.

For elementary students, wearing masks indoors remain a personal choice.

It is important to note, as advised by the province, these changes above do not apply to grade 6 and 7 students attending an elementary school.

Changes to Physical Education and Music Classes

High-intensity physical activities are to be held outside as much as possible. Shared equipment or items, such as weight machines, treadmills or musical instruments, can be used only if they are cleaned between use, according to strict school sanitization guidelines. Students using equipment or playing instruments should also be spaced at least two metres apart and masks are to be used when singing.

The Breakfast

Grab and Go Breakfast Club 8:20-9:00 daily

Thank you to all of our partners, staff and students for their continued support. A huge thank you to Langley Sources for their weekly baked goods, breads, cheese and extras. Langley School Foundation also supports with yogurt, apple sauce and eggs. Also a thank you to the Township of Langley Firefighters Charitable Society for a supply of granola bars.

-Sincerely yours; The Breakfast Club Team.

Student Safety Around Schools

With the days growing shorter and the weather changing to rain, fog, and frost, Aldergrove Community Secondary is reminding all our students to take extra precaution when walking to and from school. Please be aware of your surroundings, walk on the sidewalk and with someone whenever possible, and avoid wearing headphones. We also ask drivers in our school community to be vigilant on our roads. Student safety is our priority. Thank you for your cooperation and support in keeping everyone safe.

Information About School Status During Inclement Weather

Snow closures and power outages are an annual occurrence in Langley School District. So, where do you go to get information about the status of schools during periods of inclement weather? If you are able to access the internet via computer or smartphone, current information about Langley schools can be accessed on all school websites or <u>www.sd35.bc.ca</u>. Updates are also posted to Twitter @LangleySchools and Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict</u>. If you don't have internet connectivity but your phone is working, call a relative or friend in an area that has not been affected by the storm and ask them to check the district website for you. Local radio stations are also informed of school status in Langley. Tune in to CKWX 1130AM, CKNW 980AM, Country Radio 107.1FM, Pulse 107.7 or CBC 690AM or 88.1FM for updates.

Please note that Langley District schools are all considered 'open' until a decision to close is required. Decisions on school closures are usually made by 6:30am. As always, it is a parent's decision whether to send their child to school based on safety and individual circumstances. If you feel it is unsafe for you or your child to travel to or attend an open school for any reason, please keep your child home and report an absence to the school.

School Immunizations

The District has been advised by Fraser Health that school immunizations are expected to take place in January. As in previous years, students in grades 6 and 9 will have the opportunity to be vaccinated. Fraser Health will also provide catch up immunizations to students who did not complete their immunizations last year or over the summer. If you have any questions, please contact the Langley Health Unit (604-539-2900).

Video on how to access Report Cards on MyEDBC

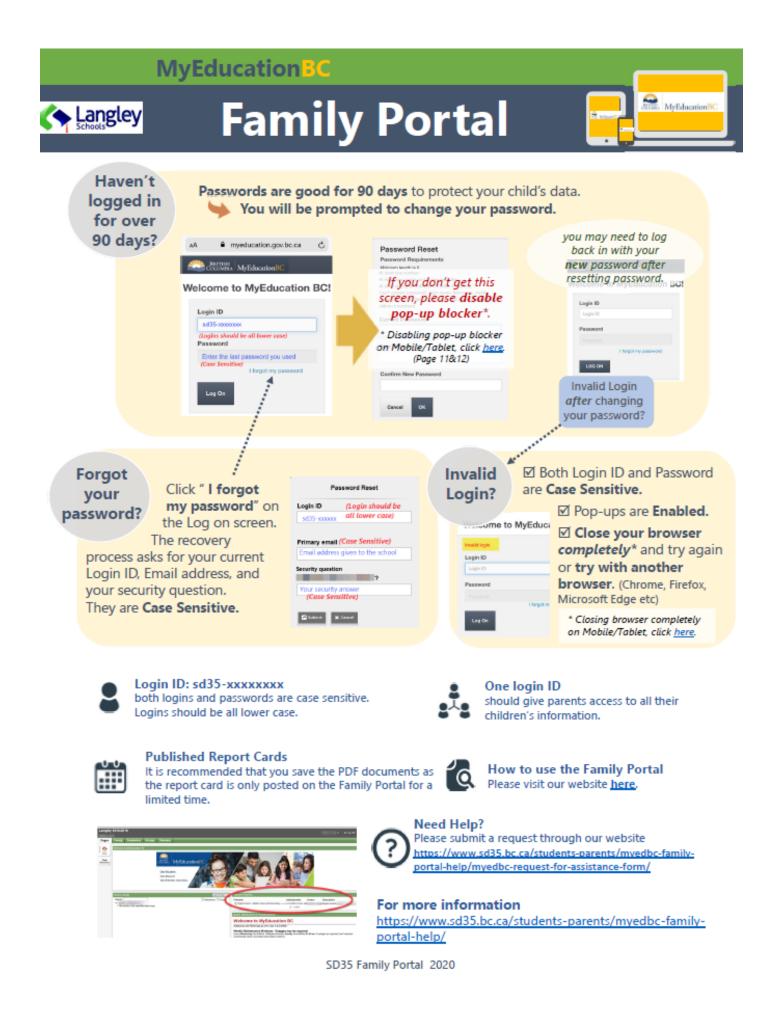
Here are the links to two videos that you can share with your community to assist students/parents with accessing the Parent/Student Portal on MyEDBC so they can view report cards and other information on the portal. These videos will also be placed on the MyEDBC Family/Student Portal Help Page on the District website.

The first video is a general overview of how to access the MyEDBC Parent/Student portal including how to access the Report Card but also shows the parent how to access other information on the portal such as attendance and schedules for secondary.

https://storage.googleapis.com/sd35-myedbc-support/video/parent-portal-intro-FINAL.mp4

The second video is specifically for parents around forgotten passwords.

https://storage.googleapis.com/sd35-myedbc-support/video/parent-portal-forgot-password-Final.mp4





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SD35CareerEd

Parent Trades Info Session! Tuesday February 16, 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Learn about the wide range of careers in the trades and how students can learn and experience trades occupations. Find out about trades career paths, tuition-free training and how students can begin their apprenticeship (postsecondary education) before leaving high school!

Registration required. Contact a Career Advisor or visit careered.sd35.bc.ca/ptis for more information and to register!





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Applications are open for our Youth TRAIN in Trades programs! Train to become an Automotive Service Technician, Pipefitter/Sprinkler Fitter/ Plumber, Electrician, Hairstylist, Landscape Horticulturalist, Carpenter or Cook tuition-free! Apply by April 1!

See your Career Advisor or visit



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Trades - Career Spotlight Session! February 17, 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Learn about different careers in the trades industry! Presenters include members from various trades backgrounds. Listen to speakers as they talk about their occupation/role in the trades industry as well as their career journeys.

Q & A will follow each speaker.

Registration is required at careered.sd35.bc.ca/css



SD35CareerEd ita | YOUTH TRAIN • 0 1 SD35CareerEd Join a virtual Youth TRAIN in Trades Student Tour on Tuesday, Feburary 23rd from 3:00pm-4:30pm! Meet the teachers, see the training facilities and get a synopsis of each program. There will be a Q & A period with the teachers. Programs include: Automotive Service Tech Carpentry Hairstylist Electrical Professional Cook 1 Piping/Plumbing Horticulture

Registration required Visit careered.sd35.bc.ca/tours to sign up!





WorkSafe BC has now launched the 2021 Student Safety Video Contest and students are invited to start working on their videos! There is a team of staff members that are happy to work with any student that is interested in participating over the next couple of months to help your entry to be the best it can be!

Here are some important details:

• The theme of this year's contest is *I am doing my part* (focus on how young workers can do their part to stop the spread of the virus and other infectious diseases in the workplace).

• The contest is open to Grades 8-12 students.

• To ensure health protocols are followed, students must work independently and film the videos themselves rather than as part of a team. These self-filmed entries can be live action, documentary-style, animation, stop motion...whatever creative style your students can imagine.



2021 Student Safety Video Contest I am doing my part.

Entries are to be submitted to either Mr. Probert, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Wight or Mrs. Wilkie by 10:00 am on Monday, March 29, 2021.

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Tuition assitance



Flexible schedules



On-the-job training



Growth opportunities



Youth TRAIN in Trades 2021 Programs



The BIG DAY has arrived as most of our District Youth TRAIN in Trades programs started this past week. There is a total of 60 students registered in either the Automotive Service Technician, Carpentry, Electrical, Hairstylist, Horticulture or Piping/ Plumbing program which take place at various locations throughout Langley. Please note – we do have a 7th program, Professional Cook 1, which runs from September - June so those students are half-way finished!

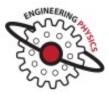
At ACSS, we are privileged to host 3 programs (Automotive Service Technician, Carpentry & Hairstylist) and we have a total of 38 of these students starting their trades training here. We are so excited to be part of such exciting career journeys and if you might like to learn more about a future opportunity, please see Mrs. Smith in the Counselling Centre.

Youth TRAIN in TRADES 2020 Hairstylist Program

This past Monday marked the end of a year-long training program for 11 fantastic students receiving their Level 1 training in the Hairstylist Youth TRAIN in Trades program. We celebrated with a farewell luncheon, gifts and goodbyes and we wish Madi, Tayonie, Brooke, Ashley, Raquel, Dori, Pranjil, Brayden, Brianna, Desiree and Vincent all the best in their futures!



UBC Engineering Physics



Engineering + Physics = Technology Innovation

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What is Engineering Physics?

"Fizz" is a fully-accredited engineering program with an extra emphasis on math and physics for students who want to work at the forefront of technology and science. Fizz is like a full engineering degree *plus* most of an undergraduate degree in math or physics. Engineering Physics started to appear at leading engineering schools in the 1950s ('54 at UBC) when it was realized that rapidly advancing technology frontiers like nuclear energy, aerospace, and computers, required engineers with a deep understanding of physics. This need is even clearer today, and UBC's Engineering Physics program has an established record of producing leaders in discovery, innovation, and entrepreneurship.

What can I do with an Engineering Physics degree?

With deeper training in math and physics, you'll be prepared to work at the forefront of any field, whether that means joining a high tech company, starting your own venture, or pursuing a PhD and becoming a professor. Our graduates work in many fields:

- Artificial intelligence
- Quantum computing
- Medicine and biotechnology
- Aerospace and drones
- Robotics, automation, and control
- Self-driving cars
- Clean energy & sustainability
- Quantitative finance

What's special about Engineering Physics at UBC?

<u>Community</u>: We are a small, tight-knit program that accepts a handful of the strongest engineering students at UBC. We strive to build community within EngPhys via a mentorship program that connects senior and junior students. We also work closely with our deep network of industry and academic partners, who sponsor capstone projects and hire our co-op students and graduates.

Emphasis on project-based learning: We are strong believers in putting theory into practice. In EngPhys, you'll undertake an intensive project-based course in each of your four years with us. You'll build an autonomous robot from scratch (no kits!), you'll develop a simulated Al-powered self-driving car, and you'll take on two self-directed "capstone" projects with leading researchers and companies. We have three full-time staff dedicated 100% to project courses. You'll graduate ready to apply a strong set of analytical and hands-on skills.

How do I learn more?

We're inviting students, parents, and teachers to Join us via Zoom on Tuesday, February 23rd, 2021, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, to learn about Engineering Physics. >>REGISTER HERE



Prof. Andre Marziali EngPhys Program Director



Dylan Gunn Project Lab Director



Miti Isbasescu Head, Software and Al



Bernhard Zender Mech. and Fab. Lead

26850-29th Avenue, Aldergrove, BC V4W 3C1 Phone: 604-856-2521 Fax: 604-856-9648

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One PDF application for multiple awards.

Details about a variety of awards can be viewed and download applications directly through <u>www.ufv.ca/</u><u>entrance-scholarships</u>

March 1, 2021 deadline.

UFV President's Entrance Scholarship - \$4,000 per year, renewable for up to three additional years to a maximum of \$16,000.

UFV Excellence Entrance Scholarship - \$3,000 to be awarded over two semesters - \$1,500 towards tuition in the first semester and \$1,5000 towards tuition in the second semester.

Other Entrance Scholarships:

Dr. Francis Pang Endowment Entrance Scholarship – Computer Information Systems

George A. Ferguson Memorial Annual Entrance Scholarship – Business/Agriculture

Manning Elliot Annual Entrance Scholarship – Business Administration

UFV/Community Endowment Scholarship – Open to all

Marco Corbin Memorial Endowment Entrance Award – Engineering Transfer

Kichi Tepakohp Iskotew Iskew Entrance Scholarship for First Nations Students

Gladys & Harvey Kipp Entrance Endowment Scholarship – Open to all post-secondary programs. \$4000 per year, renewable for up to 3 additional years to a maximum of \$16,000. Grade 12 parents and students are reminded the 2021 ACSS/Langley Open/District Authority Scholarship Application package is available for download from the ACSS website or a paper copy is available for students to pick up outside Mrs. Luteijn's door in the Counselling Office. The deadline to submit the application is

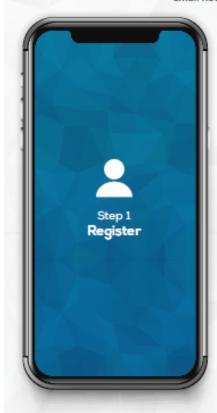
Friday, February 26th at 3pm.

This is the best chance for students to receive money to help fund their post-secondary goals. There are approximately 50 scholarships available just to ACSS students! Scholarships are awarded not just for academic accomplishments. Several are based on the career pathway students are choosing, financial need, community involvement, or excellence in an elective focus area. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Luteijn.

Welcome to SchoolCashOnline

Fast. Safe. Convenient.

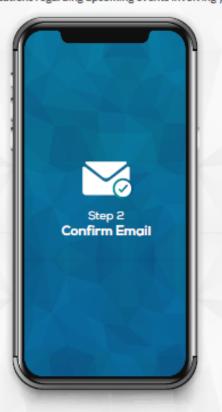
For safety and efficiency reasons, Langley School District would like to reduce the amount of cash & cheques coming into our schools. Please join the thousands of parents who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying ONLINE! It takes less than 5 minutes to register. Please follow these step-by-step instructions so you will begin to receive email notifications regarding upcoming events involving your child.



Go to https://sd35.schoolcashonline.com

and click on Register.

- Enter in your first name, last name, email and create a password.
- Select a security question.
- Check YES to receive email notifications



A registration confirmation email will be forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and School Cash Online account (check spam).

The confirmation link will open the School Cash Online site, prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password to log in. This step will connect your child to your account.

Step 3

Add a Student

- a) Enter the School Board Name.
- b) Enter the School Name.
- c) Enter Your Child's Student
- Number, Last Name, Date of Birth. d) Select Continue.

 e) On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in the Agree box and select Continue.
f) Your child has been added to your account.

If you require assistance, select the SUPPORT option in the bottom right hand corner of the screen or go to <u>helpdesk supportschoolcashonline.com</u>



FAQs

I've forgotten my password

Click on the "Forgot your password?" link to reset your password. A temporary password will be sent to the email address registered with your account.

How secure are my purchases?

KEV Group's top priority is to keep your personal information safe. Go to https://helpdesk.supportschoolcashonline.com and see Security for Security Policy and Privacy Policy.

What if I can't find my student?

Contact your school to confirm your student's details (sign up criteria) to ensure it matches exactly with what was entered in your school's records.

What if I can't see any items?

Each school creates their own items for purchase and assigns them to students. Once assigned, they will appear online under the student tab.

Welcome to SchoolCashOnline



School Cash Online is an easy to use and safe way to pay for your children's school fees.

- ✓ Conveniently make payments for student fees online
- Stay connected and informed of all school activities
- ✓ Never miss out on field trips, school events, yearbooks and more

All you have to do is register, attach your students and in no time, you will be able to make payments online.

How to Register

1. Go to https://sd35.schoolcashonline.com/ and click on Register

- Enter in your first name, last name, email and create a password.
- ✓ Select a security question.
- ✓ Check YES to receive email notifications
- 2. A confirmation email will be sent to you • Check spam

3. Follow the instructions in the email. Your email is used as your username in your profile.

Need Help?





Contact your school office directly for the following issues:

- ✓ You require a refund for items purchased on School Cash Online
- When adding to the cart, the item displayed prevents you from completing your purchase correctly
- You made a purchase on an item incorrectly and want to change your order
- ✓ You are missing items that you thought were available to purchase. Items are created by the school and School Cash Online displays those items for parents to purchase

How To Make Online Payments for Your Student Fees using

School District #35 - Langley

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How to Add a Student

- 1. Sign In to School Cash Online
- 2. Go to MY ACCOUNT.
- 3. From the drop down menu, select My Students.
- 4. Click to add a student.
 - a. Type in your School Board Name
 - b. Select School Name from the list.
 - c. Enter Student Criteria (as set by your
 - d. CONFIRM
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You can add up to 8 students on your profile.

Payment Types Accepted

- 🚍 Credit Cards 📼 eCheck
- Stay connected by receiving email notifications of new fees.
 - 👩 Students no long
- Never miss out on field trips, yearbook sales, and school events.

How to Make a Payment

- You will be able to view any available items attached to your students that are set up on your account.
- Select the item that you would like to purchase and click "add to Cart".
- 3. Once you have finished adding items to your cart, select "Check Out" to make payment.

You can pay for multiple student's items in one Check Out.

Pay required fees any time, any where.

Students no longer risk carrying cash and checks to school in their backpacks.