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March 5th, 2021

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PRINCIPALS MESSAGE



Good afternoon ACSS students and families,

If you have ever seen the beautiful artwork on the walls in our large gym, you know that much thought and care was put into the design. While the lower half of the gym carries most of the images, we at ACSS have always planned to complete the artwork on the upper half of the gym. This week, our fantastic School District carpenters, Will and Emma, began removing the old fabric in the upper half of the gym and replacing it with paintable tectum board. Before the end of the school year, and hopefully as soon as spring break, the amazing artist, Dean Lauze, will complete the upper half design. As you can imagine, we are very excited to see this work being done!





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Teachers were busy this week completing their Quarter 3 mid-term report cards. The information is being gathered, edited and refined this week. Monday afternoon, the report cards will be published to the My Education BC parent portal. As students have now completed the first half of their Quarter 3 studies, the report cards will communicate the progress made, as well as indicate areas for improvement. Students are encouraged, of course, to stay focused on their studies and plan to finish their two courses of this quarter strongly. Like anything in life, preparing to finish the second half better than the first half is always a good strategy.

As we move into the final week of classes before spring break, please be reminded that we will be holding parent-teacher interviews on Wednesday, March 10th. Please see information in this newsletter regarding the appointment booking process.

Upcoming next week:

Monday, March 8 – Quarter 3 mid-quarter report cards issued

Tuesday, March 9 – Grade 11 & 12 students switch from hybrid afternoon classes to hybrid morning classes

March 8 – 12 - Grade 10 & 12 students complete Ministry of Education student learning surveys.

Wednesday, March 10 – Parent/Teacher Interviews

Friday, March 12 – Last day of classes before spring break.

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 weekend,

Mr. M. Palichuk

Principal

Aldergrove Community Secondary School



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday March 8th - Mid-Quarter 3 Report Cards Issued

Tuesday March 9th - Quarter Swap over for **Grade 11&12 Students**

Wednesday March 10th - Early Dismissal 1:40PM for Parent-Teacher Interviews

Friday March 12th - Last Day Prior to Spring Break

Monday March 29th - Return From Spring Break

Friday April 2nd - Good Friday (No School)

Monday April 5th - Easter Monday (No School)



Early Dismissal March 10th, 2021

The only change to our schedule for early dismissal will be Period 2 (Block B) will be shortened, the rest of the school day will remain the same

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Registration - Click on the “*Register*” tab and fill in the registration form to create an account. Once parents have successfully registered, they can login to the system and then must register their students by name.

To Book Appointments -The system will be open from Wednesday, March 3 at 4:00 PM until Tuesday, March 9th at 12:00 PM for you to schedule appointments.

Select Teachers - Parents can schedule appointments for any student that they have added to the system by clicking on the “*Appointments*” button beside the student’s name. The parent is then taken to a page where they can select the teachers with whom they wish to meet. Multiple teachers can be selected by using the “*Ctrl*” key on a PC keyboard or the “*Command*” key on a Macintosh keyboard.



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Teacher Appointment Calendars - Parents are shown the calendars of the selected teachers. It also shows appointment times that are unavailable for booking. Parents can select appointment times by simply clicking the check boxes or by clicking in the time block beside the check box. Once an appointment time has been selected, it will change to green. If no appointments are available, click on the *call back* button at the top of the list.

It is not possible for parents to select more than one appointment at the same time or to select more than one appointment with the same teacher. Javascript enabled browsers are required for validation on the screen.

Appointments Booked Successfully - Once the appointments are booked, the screen will display the list of appointments for the student. When the parent clicks on the "Return to Home Page" button, they will return to the home page with their students and their appointments listed. They can book additional appointments, or they can book appointments for another student.

Parents with More Than One Student - If a parent has more than one student at the school, the teacher appointment calendars will have an additional feature displayed when the second (or third, etc.) student bookings are made. If a sibling has an appointment booked, the student's name will be displayed for a parent, thus making it easier to book adjacent appointments.

Printing Parent Appointment Schedule - From the home page it is possible for you to generate a PDF document with the list of your appointments. By clicking on the "Print Appointments" button a window will pop-up asking the parent what they wish to do with the document. In Internet Explorer, it is recommended that people click the "Save" button, save the file and then click "Open" to view the file. IE sometimes has a problem downloading and opening PDF documents that are generated from websites.

Click "Open" after the download is complete to view the PDF.

Parent Schedule PDF - The generated PDF will list the appointment times, the student and the teacher with whom the appointment is booked.

If you are having difficulties, you may choose to call the school at 604-856-2521 to book appointments over the phone.





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PHE Students

Don't forget you can purchase PHE Strip on your school cash online account! Shirts and Shorts are \$10 each or both for \$20. They are great quality and a great way to represent your school! If you have any questions please email Ms. Bezanson at mbezanson@sd35.bc.ca

Breakfast Club

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 www.sd35.bc.ca. Updates are also posted to Twitter @LangleySchools and Facebook at www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict. 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.



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Spirit Wear

Spirit wear that was ordered online before Christmas Break has arrived, please see Ms. Caines in the library to pick up your order

We have 6 extra hoodies for purchase, if you would like one please see Ms. Caines in the library!



SPRIT WEAR

IS HERE!

The hoodies that you ordered online before Christmas have arrived! Come on down to the library to pick them up!

Aldergrove Community School Coordinator

Our Aldergrove Schools Coordinator, Stephanie Eby, has lots of exciting opportunities and happenings in her March Newsletter which can be found here;

<https://sway.office.com/Jl0zaGS5sxdeMNfl?ref=Link>

Mindful Monday and Fact Friday

Virtual Mindful Mondays

Mindful eating is bringing awareness to the food & drinks you put into your body!

Try this next time you eat:


- eat slower and don't rush your meals
- chew thoroughly
- turn off the TV & put away your phone
- focus on how the food makes you feel
- stop eating when you're full



Fact Friday

Diet culture is a set of beliefs revolving around the idea that "thin" bodies are the most desirable, valuable, and "healthy." Diet culture also conveys that eating a certain way is "good" or "bad" - and that a person's worth increases when eating "healthy," or when living in a small body.

Diet culture greatly contributes to people's struggle regarding self-esteem, eating disorders, and overall mental health.





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Yearbook

See attached Poster for year-book photo opportunities



Grade 11/12 Hybrid Schedule

Grade 11/12 Hybrid Schedule for the Second Half of Quarter 3 (March 9 – April 22, 2021)



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





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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR GRADUATION 2021

As we approach Spring break, our Grade 12 students, their families, and our schools are starting to think about Graduation 2021 and how we might celebrate our Grads. We recognize that a student's Grade 12 year is a special time. In many ways it represents a culmination of a 13-year journey filled with successes, challenges, and growth. Given our current context and the provincial health restrictions that are in place, it is unlikely that we will be able to host our typical grad events in the same way that we have done in years past. This includes large scale in-person Grad Ceremonies, Grad Banquets, and Dances. Like last year, we will need to be creative in terms of finding ways to celebrate our graduates while at the same time following the health and safety guidelines as set out by our Provincial Health Officer.

Together with secondary school principals, the District has begun the conversation about how to provide meaningful, authentic celebratory experiences for our Grade 12s and their families. We have generated a number of ideas and will be soliciting feedback from Fraser Health in the coming weeks. At this point, we do not have concrete plans that we can share with you, but what we can share is that we are committed to honouring our graduates and ensuring that they get the farewell that they so richly deserve.

Moving forward, our hope is to receive some direction from Fraser Health and our Provincial Health Officers, and then start building plans based on that feedback. As we move through this process, we will be sure to include our graduating students, their families, and our school communities to ensure that we are finding creative ways to honour our graduates.

We will provide another update with respect to graduation and graduation activities in April (after Spring Break) when we have had a chance to collaborate with Fraser Health.



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GRAD GOSSIP

- Grad hoodies are ordered! Expect delivery to be after Spring Break!
- Please come pick up the 7 hoodies we have leftover from the fall order. If you haven't picked up your FALL hoodie its in the office!

Last Friday, Mr. Palichuk sent out an email to all graduates and parents about grad events. We know that there is much anxiety about grad 2021 but rest assured that we are working to develop a plan that will celebrate all our graduates and adhere to the Provincial Health Officer's orders. We will have more information for you in the coming weeks.



This is a busy time for grade 12 students to be applying for scholarships. These are only a few highlights. Other scholarships can be found on the SD35 Scholarship Database found at <https://www.sd35.bc.ca/students-parents/scholarship-information/scholarships-awards/>

The Langley Teachers' Association Scholarship – The LTA is offering 12 - \$1,000 scholarships to students who are going on to study at post-secondary. Deadline **April 23rd, 2021.**

Richard Bulpitt Educational Award – The Langley District Parent Advisory will award 2 - \$500 scholarships. Deadline **April 9th, 2021.**

Langley DPAC Educational Award in Trades - The Langley District Parent Advisory will award 2 - \$500 scholarships. Deadline **April 9th, 2021.**

Langley Rotary Scholarship – The Rotary is offering 6 - \$1,500 scholarships this year to graduating student. Deadline **March 31st, 2021.**





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NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release
2021EDUC0017-000371
March 2, 2021

Ministry of Education

K-12 schools supported by regional COVID-19 rapid response teams

VICTORIA – Six regional COVID-19 rapid response teams are now in place to support K-12 schools and school districts with safety plans and exposure assessments.

“Rapid response teams are a critically important addition to the health and safety measures that are keeping schools safe for students and staff,” said Jennifer Whiteside, Minister of Education. “As the pandemic evolves, these teams will help us respond quickly and adapt, where necessary, to ensure best practices are being consistently applied throughout the education sector.”

Rapid response teams have representatives from school and public health staff. The teams will:

- work with school, school district and health authority staff to review significant school exposure events, make recommendations and support schools to enhance their safety plans when needed.
- review school or district COVID-19 safety plans and related policies;
- support schools with their implementation and safety plans, as well as communications to students, staff and families; and
- conduct school safety assessments.

The Province is investing \$900,000 in federal funding to support one team for each health authority and one dedicated to support independent schools, including hiring or redeploying health and safety staff.

Lead school districts include:

- Surrey for the Fraser Health region;
- Nanaimo-Ladysmith for the Island Health region;
- Central Okanagan for the Interior Health region;
- Peace River North for the Northern Health region; and
- Vancouver for the Vancouver Coastal Health region.

In Fraser Health, there is also an existing COVID-19 Intake Hub working closely with school districts in the region to respond to exposures. To date, Surrey has already worked with Fraser Health to complete environmental assessments of three schools with exposure events, and those assessments have been shared with all schools in the district.

To support B.C.'s COVID-19 response for K-12 education, \$288 million in provincial and federal one-time funding has been allocated to schools and districts, including \$3.5 million to manage COVID-19 exposures in schools.



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K-12 COVID-19 Rapid Response Teams

This week the Ministry of Education provided an update on K-12 COVID-19 rapid response teams which are now deployed in each health authority to support students and staff. As the pandemic evolves, these teams will help the province respond quickly and adapt, where necessary, to keep schools safe.

New Daily Health Check Form – Digital and Print Version

Thank you for continuing to conduct a daily health check with your child. It is an important measure to help keep our school community healthy and safe. To better assist families, the Ministry of Education has developed an online K to 12 Health Check which can be found here: <https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca/healthcheck>

A mobile phone app version can also be downloaded, called K to 12 Health Checker.

Print versions are available in multiple languages on our District website [here](#).



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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 guidelines 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 [here](#).

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.



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Careers Opportunities

Thinking about pursuing a
career in medicine?

PRE-MED 101



Everything you need to know about
getting into medical school

RSVP



TUESDAY MARCH 16

6:00-7:30

HOSTED BY THE UFV PRE-MED
STUDENT ASSOCIATION



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Youth TRAIN in Trades Program Applications for the 2021/2022 school year are now available. If you're interested in these programs, please pick up an application from Mrs. Smith as soon as possible!

Professional Cook 1 (Sep – Jun at WGSS)

Piping and Plumbing (Feb – Jan at LSS)

Horticulture (Feb – Jun at KPU Langley)

Electrical (Feb – Jul at DWP)

Hairstylist (Feb – Jan at ACSS)

Applications
Open

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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SD35CareerEd



AUTOMOTIVE
MARCH 4
6:30PM



PIPING/PLUMBING
MARCH 3
6:30PM



ELECTRICAL
MARCH 10
6:30PM



HAIR
MARCH 4
6:30PM



LANDSCAPE
HORTICULTURE
MARCH 9 - 6:30PM



CARPENTRY
MARCH 4
6:30PM

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TRAIN



PRO COOK
MARCH 8 - 6:30PM


Langley
Schools



SD35CareerEd

Youth TRAIN in Trades Virtual Info Sessions

Find out more about our programs including what students learn, what it takes to get in and how to do well! Program instructors will be available to answer questions. Students and parents welcome!

Registration required at careered.sd35.bc.ca/youthtraininfo





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PARENTS: ARE YOU A QUALIFIED TRADESPERSON?

We are always looking for ways to connect students with learning or apprenticeship opportunities. For more info or to get involved, please email mismith@sd35.bc.ca.





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MyEducationBC



Family Portal



Haven't
logged in
for over
90 days?

Passwords are good for 90 days to protect your child's data.
You will be prompted to change your password.

Invalid Login
after changing
your password?

Forgot
your
password?

Click "I forgot
my password" on
the Log on screen.

The recovery
process asks for your current
Login ID, Email address, and
your security question.
They are **Case Sensitive**.

Invalid
Login?

☒ Both Login ID and Password
are **Case Sensitive**.

☒ Pop-ups are **Enabled**.

☒ **Close your browser
completely*** and try again
or **try with another
browser**. (Chrome, Firefox,
Microsoft Edge etc)

* Closing browser completely
on Mobile/Tablet, click [here](#).



Login ID: sd35-xxxxxxx
both logins and passwords are case sensitive.
Logins should be all lower case.



One login ID
should give parents access to all their
children's information.



Published Report Cards

It is recommended that you save the PDF documents as
the report card is only posted on the Family Portal for a
limited time.



How to use the Family Portal
Please visit our website [here](#).



Need Help?

Please submit a request through our website
<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/students-parents/myedbc-family-portal-help/myedbc-request-for-assistance-form/>

For more information

<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/students-parents/myedbc-family-portal-help/>



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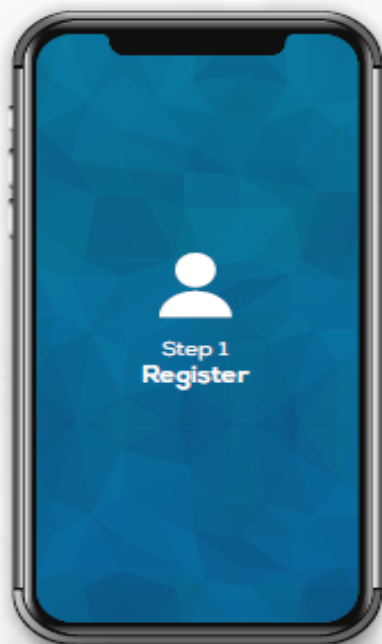
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Welcome to SchoolCashOnline

Fast. Safe. Convenient.

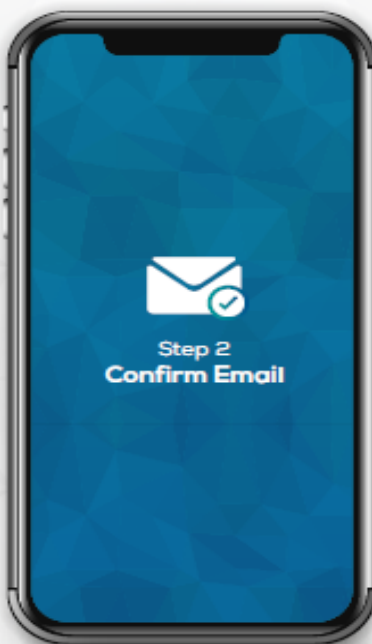
For safety and efficiency reasons, Langley School District would like to reduce the amount of cash & cheques coming into our schools. Please join the thousands of parents who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying ONLINE!
It takes less than 5 minutes to register. Please follow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



Step 1
Register

Go to
<https://sd35.schoolcashonline.com>
and click on **Register**.

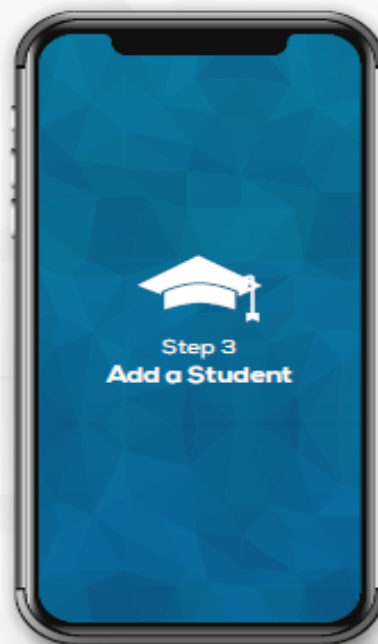
- ✓ Enter in your first name, last name, email and create a password.
- ✓ Select a security question.
- ✓ Check YES to receive email notifications



Step 2
Confirm Email

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.



Step 3
Add a Student

This step will connect your child to your account.

- 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 helpdesk.support@schoolcashonline.com

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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.

Need Help?

Go to helpdesk.supportschoolcashonline.com



Langley School District #35 - Langley



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

SchoolCashOnline

Powered by KEVGROUP

Fast, safe, convenient.

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

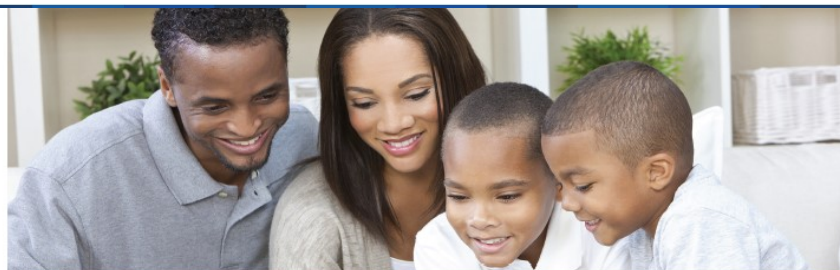
1. Go to <https://sd35.schoolcashonline.com/> and click on Register

- ✓ 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.



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 School Board)
 - d. CONFIRM

You can add up to 8 students on your profile.

How to Make a Payment

1. You will be able to view any available items attached to your students that are set up on your account.
2. 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.

Payment Types Accepted



Credit Cards



eCheck



Stay connected by receiving email notifications of new fees.



Never miss out on field trips, yearbook sales, and school events.



Pay required fees any time, any where.



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

BC's Ministry of Education has developed an online K to 12 Health Check which can be found here:

<https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca/healthcheck>

A mobile phone app version of the health check can be downloaded: BC K to 12 Health Checker.

Please conduct a health check with your child daily. Call 8-1-1 if you have any health concerns.

DAILY HEALTH CHECK	
KEY SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS	WHAT TO DO
Fever (above 38°C)	If yes to 1 or more of these symptoms: Stay home and get a health assessment. Contact a health care provider or 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.
Chills	
Cough	
Difficulty breathing	
Loss of sense of smell or taste	
OTHER SYMPTOMS	WHAT TO DO
Sore throat	If yes to 1 symptom: Stay home until you feel better.
Loss of appetite	
Headache	If yes to 2 or more of these symptoms: Stay home for 24 hours.
Body aches	
Extreme fatigue or tiredness	If symptoms don't get better or get worse, get a health assessment; contact a health care provider or 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.
Nausea and vomiting	
Diarrhea	
INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL	WHAT TO DO
Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	If yes: All students and staff who have travelled outside of Canada are required to self-quarantine for 14 days after arrival under both provincial and federal orders. This includes students who are attending school from abroad. Students from outside of Canada should plan to arrive in Canada at least two weeks before they are scheduled to attend school to adhere to the self-quarantine orders. Additional information is available here .
CLOSE CONTACT	WHAT TO DO
Have you been contacted by public health and notified that you are a close contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	If yes, please follow the instructions provided by Public Health. You can call 8-1-1 anytime to get advice about how you are feeling and what to do next. Pay attention to how you are feeling. If it becomes harder to breathe, you can't drink anything or feel much worse, seek urgent medical care at an urgent care clinic or emergency department.

Check your symptoms with the [B.C. Self-Assessment Tool](#). If you have any questions, or the symptoms get worse, contact your healthcare provider, or call 8-1-1. For more information on COVID-19, please go to www.bccdc.ca.

If you develop severe symptoms, such as difficulty breathing (e.g. struggling to breathe or speaking in single words) or chest pain, call 9-1-1 or go to the nearest Emergency Department.

CAREER ED NEWS



MARCH 2021

YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES INFORMATION SESSIONS - VIRTUAL

Interested in the Trades? Why wait until you graduate? Take steps to start your career now – ***Tuition Free!*** Join one or more of the information sessions listed below to learn more about our trade programs. ***Everyone is welcome – students, parents and staff!***

- Piping/Plumbing – March 3
- Auto Service Technician – March 4
- Carpentry – March 4
- Hairstylist – March 4
- Professional Cook 1 – March 8
- Horticulture – March 9
- Electrical – March 10

*All sessions are from 6:30pm – 8:00pm.

Registration is required at <https://careered.sd35.bc.ca/youthtraininfo>

Link to join session(s) will be sent to registrants.

YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES APPLICATIONS

The 2022 Intake is open for all 7 of our Youth TRAIN in Trades Programs! Students can train tuition-free to become an Automotive Service Technician, Pipefitter/Sprinkler Fitter/Plumber, Electrician, Hairstylist, Landscape Horticulturalist, Carpenter or Cook!

Please visit your Career Advisor for more information and for an application package!



Application Deadline April 1, 2021

MONEY MATTERS – HELP YOUR KIDS ACQUIRE KNOWLEDGE AND APPLY FINANCIAL SKILLS

Financial literacy is key to making successful transitions to both life and work. The Canadian Foundation for Economic Education is holding a virtual workshop designed to provide a toolkit that parents of secondary school students can use to help build financial literacy capabilities for their kids. The resources covered in this workshop are intended to assist parents and youth with virtual and at-home learning activities during the current COVID-19 pandemic.

Date/Time: March 2, 6:30pm-7:30pm

Link to Register: https://cfee-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_6QqI7tclRdGaipTtyvDyyA



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ADVENTURES IN HEALTHCARE

Explore opportunities in the Health Care field! This year the Rotary Adventures in Health Care program is online and available for students in grades 8-12 for students across the province. It is free to participate, and students will receive a certificate at the end for completing 20 hours. Students register via www.adventuresinhealthcare.com.

Registration Deadline: March 5, 2021

Dates: March 13-April 30, 2021



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RCABC – ROOFER (ROOFER, DAMP AND WATERPROOFER) TRAIN PROGRAM

This apprenticeship program is offered by the RCABC (Roofing Contractors Association of BC) Educational Foundation in conjunction with the Langley School District. It is a six-week program that will run from May 3 to June 11 (M-F) at the RCABC Training Center in Langley. The program includes:

- Roofer (Roofer, Damp and Waterproofer) Level 1 apprenticeship training, the first block of technical training toward achieving the nationally recognized Roofer Red Seal
- Industry Training Authority (ITA) registration
- Safety training/certification (fall protection, torch safety, SiteReady/WHMIS, first aid)
- An intro to flat roof systems
- An intro to metal work associated with the Architectural Sheet Metal trade
- The program prepares students to step into their first job on a roofer crew as a Level 1 Roofer apprentice
- Successful students will be provided an opportunity for employment and apprenticeship

See your Career Advisor today if you are interested!

Application Deadline March 10, 2021



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**Roofer Apprenticeship Youth TRAIN
in Trades Program Offered by the
RCABC Educational Foundation in
Conjunction with the Langley School
District**

**6-week program - May 3 to June 11, 2021
(Monday - Friday)**
All training is in person at the RCABC Training Centre
located at 9734 201 St, Langley.




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Important Notes:

- Be prepared to work outside. The training is only partially outside, but the work is ALL outside.
- No tuition cost to students!
- Students/apprentices will only need work clothes and steel-toe work boots for the practical portions of the training. Everything else will be provided.
- This program would replace student's Q4 classes. ****If student has a course in Q4 that they need to graduate, they would have to change that course to Q3.***
- Provides an opportunity to add a Work Experience course to student's schedule. As this program falls within Q4, students could potentially get credit for 3 courses in Q4.
- This program is geared towards Grade 12 students.
- Students must be school age – 18 or younger.



***Please talk to your school's Career
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TECHNOLOGY – CAREER SPOTLIGHT SESSION

Learn about the different careers in the technology industry! Presenters include members from various technology backgrounds. Listen to speakers as they talk about their occupation/role in the technology industry as well as their career journeys. Q & A will follow with each speaker.

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

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Technology - Career Spotlight Session!
March 10, 3:00pm-4:30pm
Learn about the different careers in the technology industry! Presenters include members from various technology backgrounds. Listen to speakers as they talk about their occupation/role in the technology industry as well as their career journeys. Q & A will follow each speaker.

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BCIT CIVIL ENGINEERING ONLINE INFO SESSION

Are you a high school student considering a career in Civil Engineering? BCIT Civil Engineering Faculty and Civil Engineer, Phyllis Chong, MASc, Peng, will do a short presentation about the program and share possible career paths for civil engineers and technologists, followed by an open Q & A. Click on a date below to sign up:

- [Tuesday, March 9, 2021 from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm](#)
- [Monday, March 15, 2021 from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm](#)

If you have any questions related to registration for these sessions, [contact Maggie Lau](#). For more information about the Civil Engineering program and program contacts, visit the [BCIT Civil Engineering web page](#).

They are accepting applications for the September 2021 intake until April 15, 2021!

EDUCATION & CAREER FAIRS

This year the ECF is going virtual! ECF is an event that provides opportunities for individuals to connect with universities, colleges, career training institutions, employers and industry associations. Registration is now open! To register please click [here](#).

The official dates for ECF British Columbia are:

Series 2:

Eastern Region: Tuesday, Mar 2, 2021 9am-3pm

Series 3:

Western Region: Thursday, May 6, 2021 9am-3pm

Eastern Region: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 9am-3pm

*Western Region includes Lower Mainland, Vancouver Island, and Vancouver Coast

*Eastern Region includes Surrey, Fraser Valley, the Interior, and Northern BC



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WAVE BOARD

Similar to sites like Indeed.com and Monster.com, the WAVE Board is where we will post placement opportunities for students across the district to apply for. We have some new opportunities available. Check them out at:

careered.sd35.bc.ca -> Students -> WAVE Documents and Forms.

MY MONEY MY FUTURE

The Canadian Foundation for Economic Education (CFEE) is partnering with CIBC to give high school-aged youth (14-18) the opportunity to win \$10,000! They are challenging Canada's youth to apply their creativity and skills to create new tools and resources to help other young Canadian improve their financial knowledge. Click [here](#) for more info and to register. Registration Deadline: March 15, 2021

BCIT ELECTRICAL TRADES FOR WOMEN

The School of Construction and the Environment are launching a new program to promote women in the Electrical trade! They have been given 2 seats for high school students. The high school seats will be competitive entry and include consideration of:

- GPA
- Has the student taken trades or related classes in grades 10-12?
- Related work experience?
- Personal or financial barriers?

If you are interested, please see your Career Advisor for more details. ***Applications due by April 30!***

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2021 WorkSafeBC STUDENT SAFETY VIDEO CONTEST

WorkSafeBC has now launched their 2021 Student Safety Video Contest and invite students to submit their entries! The theme of this year's contest – **I am doing my part** – challenges students to create a self-filmed video (max 2 minutes) that explores how young workers can stop the spread of COVID-19 and other infectious diseases in the workplace.

Here are some important points about this year's contest:

- The contest website, including full details, rules, and the contest entry form can be found [here](#)
- The theme of this year's contest is **I am doing my part** (focused on how young workers can do their part to stop the spread of COVID-19 and other infectious diseases in the workplace)
- Contest is open to students in grades 8-12
- 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!
- Entries are to be submitted by the teacher sponsor
- Contest deadline is **5 pm, Wednesday, March 31, 2021**



2021 Student Safety Video Contest

I am doing my part.

In a self-filmed video, tell us how you would do your part to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and other infectious diseases in the workplace.

Submit your video and you could win a cash prize.

Bonus prize: Actsafe Aspiring Filmmaker Award

Prize includes tickets to the 2022 Actsafe Entertainment Safety Conference, screening of the film at a future Directors Guild of Canada event, and more!

Deadline for original self-filmed video production is Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at 5 p.m. Visit worksafebc.com/studentvideocontest.

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NEW AUTO CAREERS BC WEBSITE

In an effort to encourage young professionals to consider the automotive industry as a career path, the ARA (Automotive Retailers Association) has launched the [AutoCareersBC.ca](https://www.AutoCareersBC.ca) website. The website combines a new B.C. automotive-specific job board, a place to explore automotive opportunities, and a job match tool, giving job seekers all the resources they need to not only learn about what jobs are out there, but also a way to apply for them. The site is a new tool for employers to attract and retain quality employees.

Currently, there is nothing else like this available in B.C. and the AutoCareersBC.ca job board fills a demand industry has been asking for. Great way for students to become aware of the jobs and opportunities awaiting them in the automotive industry!



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PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

**PARENT-GUARDIAN ADVICE
MARCH 2021**

During the Conference

- ▶ Be on time (or early) for the meeting.
- ▶ End the meeting on time. Other parents will probably have a conference after yours.
- ▶ Relax and be yourself.
- ▶ Stay calm during the conference.
- ▶ Ask the most important questions first.
- ▶ If your child receives additional support (such as ELL), ask about your child's progress.
- ▶ Ask for explanations of anything you don't understand.
- ▶ Ask your child's teacher for ways that you can help your child at home.
- ▶ Thank the teacher.

After the Conference

- ▶ Talk about the conference with your child.
- ▶ Talk about the positive points and be direct about concerns.
- ▶ Tell your child about any plans you and the teacher created.
- ▶ Set realistic goals with your child (only 1 or 2).
- ▶ Keep in touch with the teacher during the school year.

Before the Conference

- ▶ Clarify with the teacher whether it would be best to attend with or without your child.
- ▶ Ask your child how she feels about school.
- ▶ Ask your child if there is anything that they want you to talk about with their teacher.
- ▶ Tell your child that you and the teacher are meeting to help them.
- ▶ Make a list of topics that you want to talk about with the teacher.
- ▶ Prepare a list of questions such as:
 1. What are my child's strengths?
 2. What is an area of concern?
 3. Is my child engaged in class?
 4. Does my child seem happy at school?
 5. What can I do at home to support my child?





PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

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MARCH 2021

Ask and Answer Questions About Your Child's Life

May I tell you about my child?

No one knows your child better than you do, so it's your job to help your child's teacher learn more. Provide your child's teacher with more information on what motivates your child, likes and dislikes, special skills, strengths and challenges.

May I tell you about what's going on at home?

Situations like illness, divorce or a new baby may affect your child's school experience, so inform your child's teacher of such circumstances. Even knowing if the child goes to one home on certain days and another home on other days can be helpful. If home life circumstances change dramatically in between conferences, be sure to drop your child's teacher a note to let them know.

How is my child doing socially?

The way the child functions socially in the class is a topic that should be addressed at a conference, so inquire about your child's peer relations. A child's social development is just as important as their academic development, and your child's teacher will have made useful observations they can share with you.

It's important to know if your child interacts well with the other children. Are they a good friend? Do they help out if another student is struggling? These are all important skills that go into measuring a child's overall development.

How is my child doing emotionally?

It's important to ask about your child's emotional health at school. For example, is your child generally happy? Are there certain times of the day when your child seems stressed out or agitated?

What are my child's academic strengths and weaknesses?

Your child's teacher sees your child from a different perspective than you do. Ask the teacher what personal challenges your child needs to work on and listen to the response with an open mind. Ask about their strengths, as well, so you can encourage them to continue doing good work. Parents often have higher academic expectations for children than the teacher does, particularly early on in the year, so getting the teacher's perspective can be eye-opening.

Is my child performing on grade level?

At a conference, parents should expect to see examples of their child's work. Parents should ask "how this compares to grade-level expectations," but don't try to compare your child to other students. Each child is different and has different strengths and learning abilities.

Teachers will absolutely let parents know if they are concerned that a child is falling below grade level, so this isn't something to get too hung up on unnecessarily. The most important thing here is to know if your child's performance is where it should be, and your child's teacher will be able to tell you that definitively.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

PARENT-GUARDIAN ADVICE

MARCH 2021

Ask and Answer Questions About Your Child's Life

Does my child need extra help in any areas?

Your child's teacher can tell you if your child is falling behind in a skill or a subject, like Math or English. Work with your child's teacher to create a plan to help your child progress well in school. There may be specific things you can do at home to help, such as hiring a tutor or helping with homework.

Questions to Ask if Your Child is Experiencing Challenges in School

May I share a concern?

If you're worried about a situation at school, bring it up with the teacher. Teachers usually appreciate when parents bring an issue to their attention, as long as it's done with respect. For example, if you're concerned about the amount of time your child is spending on his homework, this is the time to open the discussion with his teacher. Teachers and parents all have the same goal: to do what they can to ensure that the children have a successful school year.

Can you fill me in on a particular situation?

When your child has complaints about what's going on at school, parents should ask for clarification from the teacher, as often your child's side is the only side you've heard. This can include anything from a peer-to-peer issue or a teacher that your child is having trouble with. If you don't feel like you're getting anywhere after the conference, contact the principal to deal with specific situations.

Important Questions to End With

How can I help at home to support what you're doing in the classroom?

There might be supplies you can purchase, prep work you can do at home, or skill practice you can work into your child's routine at home.

What's the best way to communicate with you?

Teachers have a lot of students and parents trying to talk to them during any given school day, so it's important to get an understanding of how they prefer to communicate. Some teachers prefer email, phone or face-to-face, while others may use an online tool. Find out which method your child's teacher prefers so that you can communicate questions or concerns to them in the best way.