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September 24, 2021

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Dear ACSS students and families,

Autumn is here! Thursday, September marked the 12<sup>th</sup> day of instruction. Classes have been organized and students, for the most part have their schedules set. Nonetheless, some students may need adjustments to their schedules as September progresses. Our counsellors, Mr. Silzer and Mr. Orchard have been working daily with students to make sure that student course requests are satisfied. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

This week we held grade assemblies on Tuesday and Wednesday, allowing the school admin and some staff members to communicate important events/information in grade-specific ways to all of our students. Throughout the year we will continue to meet with grade groups as necessary. Of particular importance this year, and every year for that matter, is our communication with our graduating students and their families. Thursday evening, along with the Meet the Teacher night, we held a Grade 12 student/parent information session. If you were unable to attend this session, please notify the school and we can pass information on to you.

It was very exciting to host our first athletics event in over a year on Wednesday. Our junior girls' volleyball team, coached by Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie, had a spirited match versus Credo Christian. Congratulations to the team and thank you for being the first to reintroduce athletics to our school.

Thank you for reading this week's newsletter.  
Have a wonderful weekend.

Mr. M. Palichuk  
Principal  
Aldergrove Community Secondary School





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## Breakfast Club

### Grab and Go Breakfast Club 8:15-8:40 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.



## Volunteers

Cynthia at Laughing Stock Ranch is looking for volunteers to help with pony rides. Volunteer days and hours are flexible and could possibly lead to a job. Please see Lacey in room 155 if you are interested.



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## Communicating with your school

Schools and families continue to work together to ensure success for students. If you have an issue or concern but don't know who to speak with, the District encourages you to read these helpful Communicating with your School guidelines for parents/guardians found on our District website [here](#). As an additional reference, review this one page resource [here](#).

## Key Upcoming Dates:

- Thursday, September 30: National Day for Truth & Reconciliation  
(school not in session)
- Tuesday, October 5 – World Teachers' Day
- Thursday, October 7 – Terry Fox Run



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## Still interested in Choir?

It's not too late! Choir rehearsals are Monday mornings from 7:40-8:40 am and Thursdays from 3-4 pm. Everyone is welcome....even if you have no singing experience. We would love to see you!



## ACSS Totems Face Masks For Sale

We have ACSS face masks for sale on school cash online. \$12 each





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## ACSS Athletics



- All students interested in joining the Aquatics team, please contact Mr. Orchard.
- All students interested in joining REC Leadership - contact Mr. Wedan.

## Announcement for our new Athletics Team Store

This is where we sell our PHE Gym Strip now. Parents and students will now be able to purchase their gear online through our Team Store, copy and paste the link below.

[www.totemsathletics.com](http://www.totemsathletics.com)





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## ACSS CAREER CORNER

September 23, 2021

This newsletter is produced for the Career Education Department at ACSS and will be published weekly for the 2021-2022 school year. If you have any questions, additions or suggestions for future items please let us know – thanks!

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**Do you have any Career Questions? Please come and talk to Mrs. Gimpel in the Counsellor's office or email her at [agimpel@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:agimpel@sd35.bc.ca)**

### SKILLS CANADA GRANT

The federal government is now offering an [Apprenticeship Incentive Grant for Women \(AIG-W\)](#) that is worth \$3000 as a taxable cash grant.

This AIG-W grant can help you pay for expenses while you train as an apprentice in a Designated Red Seal Trade where women are currently underrepresented.

The good news is that you can apply twice for this grant during your training for a maximum of \$6000. Click [here](#) to find out more!

### SKILLS CANADA ONLINE CHALLENGES

Skills Canada BC continues to host a series of online challenges that students can do from home and at school. [#SkillsBC Online Challenges Series](#). This fall they have opened up the video production online challenge with two categories, **Grade 9 to 12 and Post Secondary**. This is the opportunity for these students to now showcase their talents:

#### [Online Video Production Challenge](#)

- Enter for your chance to win a \$75 E-Gift Card!
- There will be two age categories for this challenge.

Utilize some of the ["Skills for Success"](#) to create your video. **Skills for Success** are the skills needed to participate and thrive in learning, work and life. These include Creativity and Innovation, Problem Solving, Reading, Digital, Collaboration, Adaptability, Writing, Numeracy and Communication!

This is a great opportunity to showcase your Video Production talent at the 2022 Skills Canada National Competition being held in Vancouver.



### GIRLS FLY 2

This is the world's largest diversity outreach event of its kind to inspire female future leaders in Aviation, Aerospace, Marine & Defense. This is a fun, hands-on and FREE event!

**Date:** October 2 – 3, Abbotsford International Airport

There are two separate events taking place:

#### **The Sky's No Limit - Girls Fly**

**2** event is a public event open to all students interested in Aviation ages 12 and up. You will have the opportunity to meet a NASA Astronaut in person! Incredible hands-on displays and activities are provided by industry, agency and education partners to showcase their capabilities and inspire you to new possibilities.

#### **The Girls Fly 2 Career**

**Connection** is happening during this event. This is targeted for females who are seriously interested and considering a career in the Aviation Trades in the future. They will get a more in-depth look at the trades areas and be invited into the hangar by Cascade. **\*Please note:** you will need to book a time in advance by contacting them via this email: [scadwell@cascadeaerospace.com](mailto:scadwell@cascadeaerospace.com) Click [here](#) for more information

[The Sky's No Limit - Girls Fly Too! | We're unique in the world! \(girlsfly2.ca\)](#)



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## Post-Secondary Events

### University of Calgary Webinar

November 8, 2021 – 6:30pm

<https://event.webinarjam.com/register/168/gmq17t8g>

### Canada University Events (CUE)

Take the opportunity to learn about multiple post-secondary schools at one event.

The updated dates and times for the CUE 2021 Virtual Fair Time and Dates are as follows:

- September 27, 28, 29 (Monday to Wednesday) 4 pm - 7 pm (PDT)
- October 2 (Saturday) 10 am - 1 pm (PDT)
- October 4, 5, 6 (Monday to Wednesday) 4 pm - 7 pm (PDT)

**Registration open now!**

<https://cuebc.org/events/>

### UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH ONLINE PRESENTATION

Join this Zoom virtual info session to see what the University of Guelph has to offer! It is open to any student/parent who is interested to learn more about the university and the programs they have to offer.

They will cover not only the academic and English language programs that are offered at the university but also other services such as athletics, residence, co-op, student support services and more. There will be a Q & A session at the end.

**Date/Time:** October 18, 6:00pm

**Zoom registration link coming in next Career Ed Newsletter!**

## PAWZANDPETZ SCHOLARSHIP

Pawzandpetz is a small group of Los Angeles-based pet lovers that are dedicated to providing quality information to people that love pets as much as they do. As part of their mission, they want to give back to the community by donating a portion of their profits to students that are studying in an animal-related field.

**Eligibility:**

- Open to all grade levels
- Students must be in or plan on being in an animal-related field. Example: Animal Science, Animal Behavior, Biology, Dairy Science, Poultry Science, Veterinary, Zoology, Emergency Care, Animal Rescue, Natural Disaster, Animal Shelter, Animal Welfare, or related field. Any major that will be working with animals will be accepted.
- GPA must be 3.0 or above
- Application does not require a submission fee
- Submissions will be based on quality
- Eligibility requirements that will not be considered: race, religion, sex, nationality, etc

This is an international scholarship, however, submissions must be in English. Total amount awarded is \$500. Click [here](#) for more details and to apply.





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## Virtual Post Secondary Information Sessions



### CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES EVENT

50+ INSTITUTIONS | SEPT 27, 28, 29 | OCT 2, 4, 5, 6 | JAN 12, 20

Connect with university reps from across Canada & learn more about your post-secondary options!

Acadia University	Mount Allison University	University of Waterloo
Alberta University of the Arts	Mount Royal University	Vancouver Island University
Bishop's University	Mount Saint Vincent University	Western University
Brescia University College	Nipissing University	York University
Brack University	Ontario Tech University	Simon Fraser University
Burman University	Queen's University	St. Francis Xavier
Capilano University	Queen's University Canada	St. Thomas University
Carleton University	Royal Military College	The King's University
Concordia University	Ryerson University	Thompson Rivers University
Concordia University of Edmonton	Saint Mary's University	Trent University
Dalhousie University	University of Lethbridge	Trinity Western University
Emily Carr University	University of Manitoba	Université de Saint-Basile
Fabrigar Dickinson University	University of New Brunswick	University of Alberta
Huron University College	University of Northern BC	University of British Columbia
King's University College	University of Ottawa	University of Calgary
Kwantlen Polytechnic University	University of Prince Edward Island	University of Fraser Valley
MacEwan University	University of Regina	University of Guelph
Marine Institute	Université de Saint-Basile	University of Guelph-Humber
Memorial University	University of Saskatchewan	University of King's College
	University of Victoria	



#### What is CUE and what do they do?

The Canadian Universities Event (CUE) is a forum designed to highlight Canada's universities to British Columbia's secondary school students and families. CUE brings together over 50 of Canada's finest post-secondary institutions and showcases them over two weeks in October. We are committed to helping students find their perfect fit in Canadian post-secondary education.

#### Who should attend CUE?

Any student who may be considering post-secondary education! All of our Live Events will feature representatives from participating universities. Students will have the opportunity to ask questions and explore their post-secondary options through institution profiles and live sessions.

#### Student Registration:

<https://cuebc.org/for-students/>



POST-SECONDARY BC

FOR STUDENTS

FOR PARENTS

FOR COUNSELLORS



Institution Directory

Education Explorer

News

[www.postsecondarybc.ca](http://www.postsecondarybc.ca)

STUDENT REGISTRATIONS OPEN SEPT 24<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00am

Find your post-secondary  
future at the 2021 PSBC  
Virtual Fair!

- Watch live presentations from 29 post-secondary schools across BC
- Connect with institutional representatives through text and video chat
- Download program information and watch additional video content
- Sign up easily for more information from any institution
- Door Prizes: Every student who visits the fair will be automatically entered into a draw for one of twenty-five \$100 Amazon gift cards.
- Survey Prizes: Fill out our Guest Survey after the event, and you'll be entered into a separate draw for another \$100 Amazon Gift Card.

7 DAYS TO CHOOSE FROM: October 7 & 19 / November 3, 9 & 18 / December 1 & 7  
VIRTUAL FAIR OPEN FROM 9:00 am to 7:00 pm on these dates



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## Virtual Post Secondary Information Sessions



### **Need some scholarship information?**

Visit the Langley School District Scholarship page at <https://www.sd35.bc.ca/students-parents/scholarship-information/scholarships-awards/>

If you have any further questions, make an appointment with Mrs. Luteijn or Mrs. Gimpel in the Counselling office.



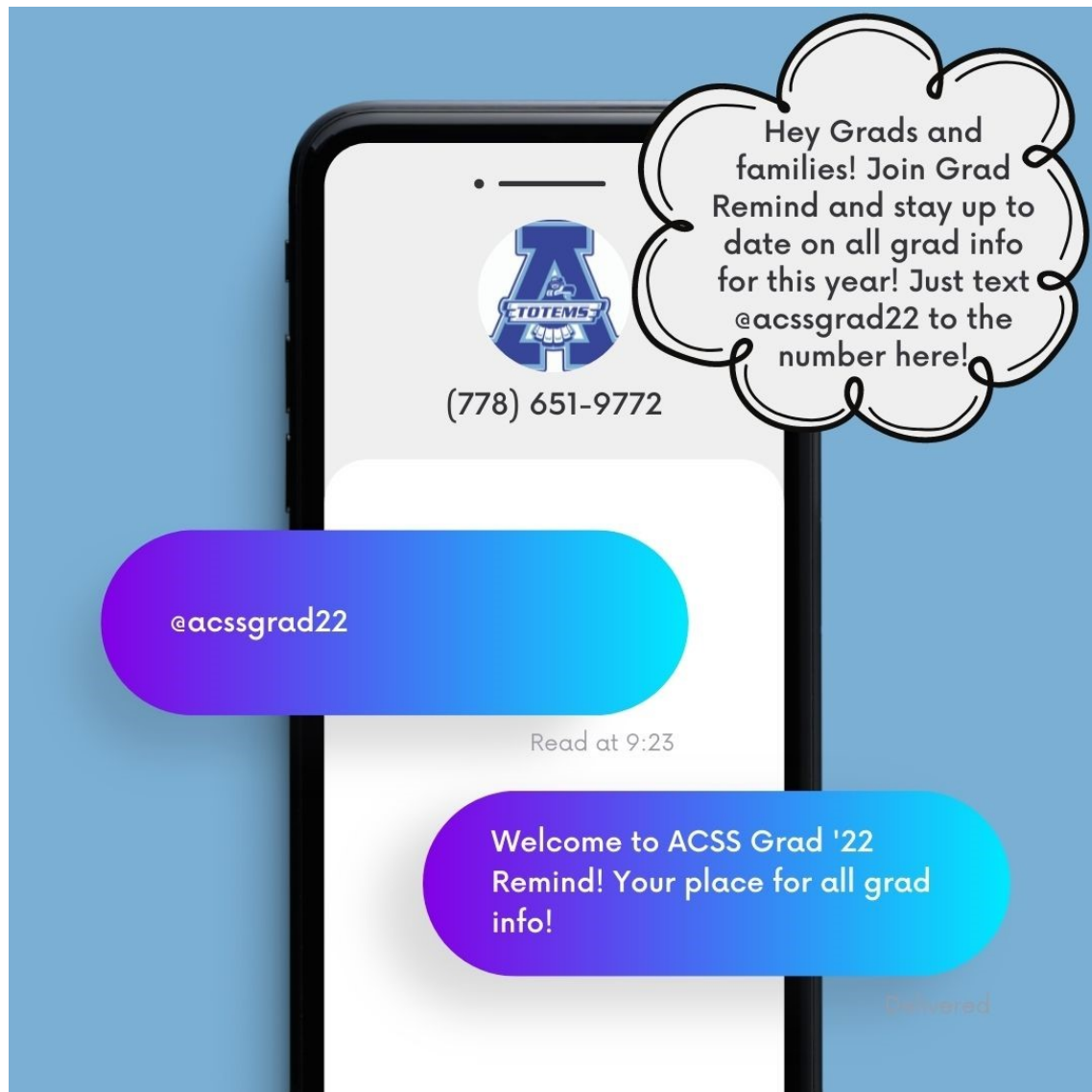
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GRAD 2022





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GRAD 2022

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*Grad 2022 Hoodies are available to order on SchoolCashOnline for \$55 each. This order will run until mid-October and will be delivered to students before Christmas break. We will run a second and final order in January for delivery before Spring Break.*

*Hoodies are available in Navy Blue and Light Grey with the above design. We only order exact amounts and will have no extras.*





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## **COVID 19 Notification Process**

The Ministry of Education has informed the District of the COVID-19 Notification Process. The District will continue to follow the protocols as set out by Fraser Health to help keep our students and staff healthy and safe.

Here is what we can share with you now:

Public health will continue to prioritize schools for contact tracing. Public health will directly follow up with anyone identified as a COVID-19 case and determine if other students or staff were close contacts.

- [Close contacts](#) are followed up with directly because they may be at greater risk of infection. They will be directly informed by public health if they need to take action, like self-monitoring or self-isolating.
- People at school who are not close contacts are not at increased risk, so don't need to take any additional actions beyond continuing to follow general public health recommendations.
- In line with practices for other community settings and workplaces, school notifications to the broader school community, such as letters or exposure notices on regional health authority websites, will be used when public health deems them necessary to support contact tracing or outbreak management.
- Public health continues to monitor transmission of COVID-19 across the province, with the latest data on COVID19 available from [BCCDC](#).



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## EMPOWERING YOU Building Resiliency

Empowering You is a 10-week program that provides mental health education to help young adults develop skills that enable them to cope with challenges in life. The ultimate aim of Empowering You is to help youth aged 17 to 21 to manage stress, moments of anxiety, mood challenges, and relationship difficulties through self-awareness, coping strategies (e.g., mindfulness), connecting with nature and physical activity.

### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The goal of this program is to develop a sense of connection and belonging among participants in the 10-week program while learning about tools and techniques to manage their mental health. The program will run once a week for two hours. The first hour is dedicated to learning and information. During the second hour, young adults engage in physical activity which gives them an opportunity to experience and practice the information and learning. The program builds largely on the work of Jill Rathus and Alec Miller (2015) and dialectical behaviour therapy (DBT) and more specifically their DBT Skills Manual for Adolescents.

### GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The overarching guiding principle for Empowering You is to **create a safe space** by:

- ✓ Creating and supporting positive experiences and peer relationships.
- ✓ Ensuring programming is standardized, age-appropriate and builds on best practice.
- ✓ Incorporating and practicing emotional, physical and mental risk management.
- ✓ Practicing strength based and trauma informed approaches to facilitation

### PARTICIPANTS

Empowering You is a program for youth, aged 17 to 21, including youth in care or aging out of care, to assist with managing stress, moments of anxiety, mood challenges and relationship difficulties.

### WHERE AND WHEN

**Aldergrove** – Exact location TBA,

**Tuesdays, 3:30 to 5:30 pm | Oct 12 to Dec 14**



Email for more information or to register: [empoweryou@bcrpa.bc.ca](mailto:empoweryou@bcrpa.bc.ca)



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## Vaccine Information

### BC Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation for Students

Fraser Health is sharing information with families regarding the BC Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation for Students. Vaccine reporting, which is a regulation that has been in effect since 2019, supports the gathering of immunization data and to offer immunizations in school settings. Examples of routine immunizations offered to grade 6/7 and 9/10 students may include Chickenpox (varicella) vaccine, Hepatitis B vaccine, and Meningococcal Quadrivalent vaccine. These in-school immunizations do not include the COVID-19 vaccine. The District will continue to assist Fraser Health in this process including distributing and collecting information and accommodating public health staff on school sites. As always, our schools will continue to follow all COVID-19 health and safety protocols. Please read this letter from Fraser Health below.



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September 3, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

**Re: B.C.'s Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation for Students**

B.C.'s Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation for children has been in effect since July 2019. This regulation supports the gathering of immunization records by Fraser Health for all students in all schools across the region within the province's jurisdiction and to offer immunizations in school settings.

We care about keeping our schools and communities healthy. As a result, in the coming months our staff will check the immunization records we have on file for **children in kindergarten**. They will identify children whose records are missing or incomplete. Families of these children may be contacted.

**For students in grades 6, 7, 9 and 10** – this school year Fraser Health will offer immunizations in the school setting to Grade 6 and 9 students from the last school year (20/21) and Grade 6 and 9 students from this school year (21/22).

Our staff will follow COVID-19 safety processes when delivering immunizations and interacting with school staff and students. Prior to immunization, students will be sent home with a personalized consent form for immunization. Please review your child's immunization history on the consent form and if you have additional immunization records please submit them to public health at [fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform](http://fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform).

**For students in all other grades (includes grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 11 and 12)** – please check your child's immunization records and provide us with any missing immunization information required under the regulation, with the following guidance:

- You can use the online Vaccination Status Indicator Tool at <https://immunizebc.ca/vaccination-status-indicator> to check if your child's immunization record is incomplete or missing. The Indicator tells you if your child's immunization record is on file with public health but does not provide any details about their immunization status or history. Health authority public health units already have immunization information on file for most children.
  - If the Vaccine Status Indicator shows that your child's immunization records are **up-to-date**, then you **do not need to take further action**.
  - If the Vaccine Status Indicator shows that your child's immunization records are **pending**, **no action is required at this time**. These records are in the process of being inputted into the system and may take some time to be entered.
  - If the Vaccine Status Indicator shows that your child's immunization records are **incomplete**, this means either public health does not have your child's records or





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your child needs additional immunizations. If your child has been immunized by a health care provider outside of public health, particularly in the last 18 months, you need to contact those providers and ask for a copy of your child's immunization record. **Please follow the instructions below to submit these records to public health.**

- To report your child's immunization record you can submit it online at [fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform](http://fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform) or fax the record to your local public health unit. Be sure the record you are submitting has your child's full name, date of birth, sex, and personal health number (PHN) if the PHN is available. Records can also be provided to a community health nurse in a First Nations community.
- **If your child needs additional immunizations, please call your family doctor, a pharmacist or public health to book an appointment.**
- Visit [fraserhealth.ca/getimmunized](http://fraserhealth.ca/getimmunized) for a list of community vaccine providers.
- To book an appointment with public health, call:
  - 604-702-4906 (residents of Mission, Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Agassiz and Hope)
  - 604-476-7087 (residents in all other areas of Fraser Health)

Collecting immunization information allows us to connect with families about the importance of disease prevention. It also helps public health to control outbreaks by quickly identifying children who are not fully immunized and helps everyone get back to learning as soon as possible.

For more immunization information, please visit our website at [Fraserhealth.ca](http://Fraserhealth.ca) and search "child immunizations reporting".

Thank you for helping to keep our children and communities healthy.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ariella Zbar, MD, CCFP, MPH, MBA, FRCPC  
Medical Health Officer, Medical Director



Health Units:					
<b>Abbotsford</b> Tel: 604-864-3400 Fax: 604-864-3410	<b>Agassiz</b> Tel: 604-793-7160 Fax: 604-796-8587	<b>Burnaby</b> Tel: 604-918-7605 Fax: 604-918-7630	<b>Chilliwack</b> Tel: 604-702-4900 Fax: 604-702-4901	<b>Cloverdale, Surrey</b> Tel: 604-575-5100 Fax: 604-574-3738	<b>Guildford, Surrey</b> Tel: 604-587-4750 Fax: 604-587-4777
<b>Hope</b> Tel: 604-860-7630 Fax: 604-869-2332	<b>Langley</b> Tel: 604-539-2900 Fax: 604-514-8036	<b>Maple Ridge</b> Tel: 604-476-7000 Fax: 604-476-7077	<b>Mission</b> Tel: 604-814-5500 Fax: 604-814-5517	<b>New Westminster</b> Tel: 604-777-6740 Fax: 604-525-0878	<b>Tri-Cities</b> Tel: 604-949-7200 Fax: 604-949-7211
<b>Newton, Surrey</b> Tel: 604-592-2000 Fax: 604-501-4814	<b>North Delta</b> Tel: 604-507-5400 Fax: 604-507-4617	<b>North Surrey</b> Tel: 604-587-7900 Fax: 604-582-4811	<b>South Delta</b> Tel: 604-946-6953 Fax: 604-940-8944	<b>White Rock</b> Tel: 604-542-4000 Fax: 604-542-4009	



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September 21, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Re: Testing of Drinking Water in Schools

The Langley School District is responsible for testing drinking water in its district facilities, in particular, for the presence of lead. The District is compliant in its testing requirements and approved response plan with all governing bodies including Fraser Health and the Ministry of Education. Under the testing plan, districts are required to test one-third of the schools considered at-risk (built pre-1990) every year.

In year five of testing, the District has completed testing for the latest group of sites including Aldergrove Secondary, Brookwood Secondary, DW Poppy Secondary, Langley Secondary, Peter Ewart Middle, HD Stafford Middle, Belmont Elementary, Parkside Centennial Elementary, Simonds Elementary/U-Connect, and James Anderson (SD35 IT Department).

Water samples were taken from sinks at each site. Results were found to be within acceptable limits except for two sinks, one located in an art room at Langley Secondary and the other in a woodshop at DW Poppy Secondary. As per the District's response plan, these sinks remain in place but have signage installed clearly outlining the station is to be used for 'handwashing only.'

It is important to note, all water fountains in classrooms have been removed across the District and each school has a lead filtered water bottle filling station. For more information and a list of water testing results, please visit the District website page [here](#).

If you have any concerns or questions, please email [feedback@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:feedback@sd35.bc.ca).

Sincerely,

Gord Stewart  
Superintendent of Schools



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## **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](#).*



## **Fraser Health COVID-19 School Update – Immunization for 12-17 year olds**

Health Canada has approved the use of the Pfizer vaccine for youth aged 12 to 17. British Columbia is expanding the COVID-19 Immunization Plan to include this age group.

Youth are excited to protect themselves and their families.

Children aged 12 to 17 can register to get vaccinated now by going to [www.gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated](http://www.gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated), calling 1-833-838-2323 or in person at any Service B.C. centre. Once child(ren) are registered in the provincial system they will be contacted at a later date via the method they indicated (either email or text) to book their vaccine appointment.

Household and group vaccination options are also available to make it easy for households to be immunized at the same time. Multiple young people in a household can attend one booked appointment and be vaccinated together. Young people accompanying adults to the adult's new vaccine appointment can register on site and do not need to be registered or booked in advance. Just let clinic staff know you have arrived.

Ensure all family members bring identification and ideally, their personal health card if they have one.

In the coming days, schools will receive an information package to be shared with families with key information such as how to prepare for and what to expect during your child's vaccine appointment.

More information can be found at [www.gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated](http://www.gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated) and at [www.fraserhealth.ca/vaccine](http://www.fraserhealth.ca/vaccine)



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### COVID-19 Guidelines 2021-22 – Frequently Asked Questions

#### Why is there no mask mandate for students in K-3?

As announced by the province, masks for students in K-3 are no longer required. The District will be encouraging students in K-3 to wear a mask. Mask wearing for these students continues to be a family/caregiver choice. Masks are only one layer of protection. As per public health, the best way to protect everyone is for people who are eligible to get vaccinated.

As announced by the province, masks will continue to be required for all K-12 staff, students in grades 4-12, and visitors when indoors and on buses (with exceptions). See further information regarding bussing [here](#).

Masks are not required for students, staff, and visitors when outdoors.

#### Why is there no vaccine mandate for students and staff?

As announced by the province, students, staff, and visitors are not required to be vaccinated but it is strongly recommended. The District is encouraging all students, staff, and visitors to get vaccinated before the start of the school year. As advised by public health, vaccines are the best way to keep everyone healthy and safe, especially those in the community who are not eligible to get vaccinated.

Walk-in vaccination clinics are available for anyone over the age of 12 years old. For more information on vaccine clinics in Fraser Health, read here: <https://www.fraserhealth.ca/vax#.YSw77tNKibs>

#### Why is there no vaccine passport required for students and staff?

As announced by the province, students, staff, and visitors are not required to show proof of vaccination. As per the province, schools are controlled environments with comprehensive health and safety measures already in place and attendance of students, staff, and visitors is taken daily. Half of K-12 students are under 12 years old, not eligible for vaccines, and therefore, the vaccine passport would not be applicable.

A vaccine passport could be applicable, when and if schools host an event (like a concert open to parents/public). Schools will share additional information with the community where and when appropriate.

#### Why are there no cohorts and physical distancing required?

As announced by the province, cohort and physical distancing is no longer required. However, the District will be working with administration and school staff to develop creative ways to maximize space amongst students and staff in classes. Strategies may include using directional arrows and posters in hallways, spreading out desks and tables in a classroom, and encouraging everyone to respect others' personal space. Taking classes outdoors will continue to be encouraged.

#### Will the District improve ventilation in schools?

The District upgraded HVAC systems with MERV 13 filters in all sites including portables prior to last year school year. These upgrades meet and exceed provincial ventilation requirements.



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### *Will students be able to take online courses online if they feel unsafe? Will there be the Transition Support Model in September?*

There continues to be a range of choices for students and their families in September. The District will not be offering the Transition Support Model for this school year. Students will be able to learn online through Distributed Learning programs offered at [U-Connect](#) (Elementary, Middle, Secondary) or [Langley Education Centre](#) (Secondary). Students also have the option of [homeschooling](#). If you have questions about options for your child, please connect with your school administrator.

### *If a student enrolls in a Distributed Learning program or chooses homeschooling, will they be able to save their spot at their catchment school or choice school?*

Due to significant increases in student enrolment K-12 in the Langley School District, if a student chooses to enroll in a Distributed Learning program or is homeschooled, the school will not be able to save a student's space at their catchment school or choice school. In the event a student leaves for the school year, they will have to re-enroll for their catchment or choice school and follow regular procedures regarding registration and timeline. If you have questions, please connect with your school administrator.

### *Why can't the District implement its own guidelines?*

The District takes direction from the Ministry of Education and the Provincial Health Office regarding public health matters. The District also follows regional and local health and safety measures developed by the Fraser Health Authority. Changes to any health and safety guidelines can only come from public health authorities. The District defers to health authorities on decision making as they base their advice on science and data collected by public health. The District trusts health experts and their work to help keep our students, staff, and community safe.

### *Why are the guidelines in schools different from other community settings (e.g., restaurants, stores, recreation centers)?*

The District takes direction from the Ministry of Education and the Provincial Health Office. As per the province, all schools follow the health and safety outlines in the [BCCDC's Public Communicable Disease Guidance for K-12 Schools](#). Other sites within the Langley School District (non-education sites such as the school board office) follow WorkSafeBC guidelines which are different from school settings. Other community settings will have health and safety measures in place implemented by the province and/or regional/local authority.

### *Isn't the District concerned about COVID-19 exposures in schools due to increasing case counts/Delta Variant?*

The District shares the community's concern over COVID-19 cases. The District acknowledges that as long as there is COVID-19 in the community, there will be exposures in schools. The District understands the more eligible people are immunized; the less likely school exposures may lead to transmission. The District is confident the COVID-19 measures in place for the school year will help in protecting the health and safety of students, staff, and community members.



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## 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](http://www.sd35.bc.ca). Updates are also posted to Twitter @LangleySchools and Facebook at [www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict](http://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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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/>

SD35 Family Portal 2020

Instagram: @acss.totems

Facebook: Aldergrove Community Secondary School

Twitter: @ACSSTotems



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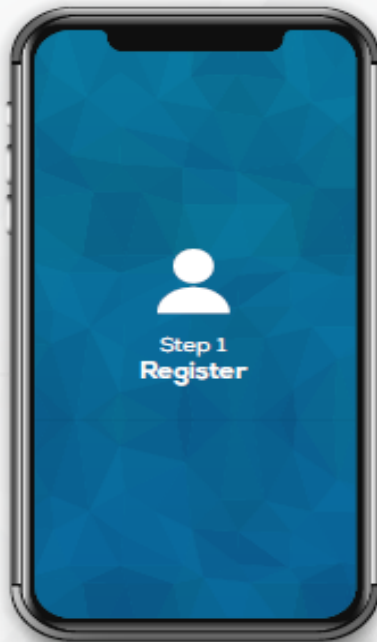
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## Welcome to SchoolCashOnline

Fast. Safe. Convenient.

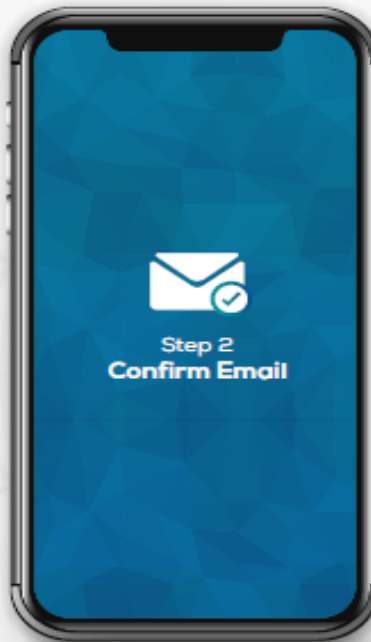
For safety and efficiency reasons, Langley School District would like to reduce the amount of cash & cheques coming into our schools. Please join the thousands of parents who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying ONLINE!  
It takes less than 5 minutes to register. Please 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.schoolcashionline.com>  
and click on **Register**.

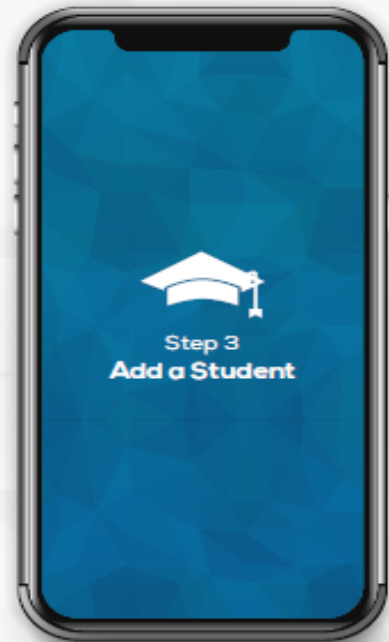
- ✓ Enter in your first name, last name, email and create a password.
- ✓ Select a security question.
- ✓ Check YES to receive email notifications



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@schoolcashionline.com](mailto:helpdesk.support@schoolcashionline.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](https://helpdesk.supportschoolcashonline.com)



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#### 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**

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*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.