



Whoos News



SEPTEMBER 9, 2022

CONGRATULATIONS!! The first week of school is done! We welcomed approximately 800 new students to Kelowna Secondary and it has been very busy with 1,900 students navigating their way to new classrooms, becoming familiar with new routines and generally settling in.

A **Code of Conduct** was distributed during Homeroom and discussed with students. Please use the link below to review the Code of Conduct on the website. [Code of Conduct](#)

SCHOOL FEES

The fastest and easier way to pay any fees owing is on-line. Please use the [School Cash on-line link](#) on the KSS website. **SCHOOL PHOTOS** are scheduled for **September 12**. Every student needs to have their picture taken for their student ID card (free of charge). Photo packages will be available for various prices, and information on how to purchase them will be distributed at a later date.

Opportunity to purchase a **Yearbook** has also been added on to student accounts in order to take advantage of early bird pricing. Please log on to your child's account at School Cash Online to see the options available. **It is strongly suggested that all fees are paid on-line as an automatic receipt is generated and proof of payment is always available.** Deadline for early bird purchase of \$30.00 is December 1st! The regular price will be \$35.00 and the deadline to purchase is February 28.

ATTENDANCE

Parents/Guardians are required to report absences using the School Messenger - Safe Arrival Absence Reporting system. **Please do not call the main office.**

The System can be accessed three ways:

(1) Enter an Absence Using the Smartphone App (most user friendly)



(2) Enter an Absence Using the Online Parent Portal

- visit go.schoolmessenger.ca

(3) Enter an Absence by Calling the School

Upcoming dates . .

September 12	School Photos
September 14	Grade Assemblies (9:10 a.m. - Grade 12, 10:35 a.m. - Grade 11, 12:40 p.m. - Grade 10)
September 15	Grade 10 Parent Night - 6:00 p.m.
September 20	PAC Meeting - 6:30 p.m. <i>Stay tuned for more details!!</i>
September 21	Grade 12 Parent Night 6:00 p.m. followed by BC Post Secondary Info. Session @ 7:00 p.m.
September 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation—No School for students

Hello KSS parents and guardians,

The KSS Parent Advisory Council (PAC) would like to welcome all KSS parents and guardians to the 2022-2023 school year! By virtue of being a KSS parent or guardian, you are automatically a member of the KSS PAC. The purpose of the KSS PAC is to promote and improve the quality of education and the well being of students at Kelowna Secondary School. PAC meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm.



Stay tuned to the Weekly Memo for all the details!!

We look forward to seeing you then!



The Visitor Parking is in the Student Parking Lot. Please remember to pick up a visitor parking pass from the office. This is also the area designated for student drop off and pick up to ensure the safety of our staff and students.

Parents ARE NOT TO USE the staff parking lot for student drop off or pick up at ANY time for ANY reason.



SCHOOL PHOTOS

September 12

(Retakes are scheduled for October 11)

👉 [Click Here](#) to view "How to Prepare for Photo Day" AND "Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQ) about Photo Day.

Check the Athletics website regularly for all the sports news!!



<https://www.kssowlsathletics.com/>



An optional \$10.00 **Parking Pass Fee** will be added to all **Grade 12 students**, and is only for those who wish to purchase a parking pass. Applications for a Parking Pass are available on-line or in front of the office in the MPR. COMPLETED Parking Pass Application and proof of payment will be required prior to your parking pass being issued.



The \$75.00 **Grade 12 Graduation Ceremony Fee** has been added to Grade 12 students and expires April 1st.



Accident Insurance

Central Okanagan Public Schools does not insure expenses for **student injuries** that occur on school grounds or during school activities. Parents and guardians can voluntarily purchase private accident insurance. The Kids Plus Accident Insurance Program that was previously offered to our students was discontinued in 2019. The IA Financial Group now offers the Family Accident Reimbursement Plan (FARP) which is a voluntary plan that provides coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses, and critical illness.

To apply for the Family Accident Reimbursement Plan or to find out more, visit <https://www.solutionsinsurance.com/aonbc>.

APPEALS AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIP PROCESSES

Context

School-based Principals/Vice-Principals are required to provide notice of the Central Okanagan Public Schools' Appeals Process (Board Policy 460) and of the position that students will not be excluded from any educational program due to financial hardship (Board Policy Regulation 425R). The purpose of this Administrative Procedure is to provide direction regarding these notifications.

Procedures

1. The Principal or Vice-Principal will inform students, parents, and guardians of the existence and availability of Policy 460 - Appeals at least annually. The wording to be used for these notifications is as follows:

The Central Okanagan Public Schools' Appeal Process

Policy 460 – Appeals states that “A student or a parent of a student who is entitled to an educational program in the Central Okanagan Public Schools may appeal a decision of an employee of the Board of Education which significantly affects the education, health, or safety of the student”. For a complete description of the Appeals Policy along with the recommended steps to follow in attempting to solve a problem, please refer to Policy 460 – Appeals that can be accessed from the Policies link under the Board of Education heading on the Central Okanagan Public Schools homepage at www.sd23.bc.ca.

2. School-based Principals/Vice-Principals will also notify students, parents, and guardians of the Central Okanagan Public Schools' Financial Hardship Clause. This notification must be provided at time of registration and on an annual basis through newsletters and notices using the following wording:

The Central Okanagan Public Schools' Financial Hardship Clause

Within Board Policy Regulation 425R – Student Fees (www.sd23.bc.ca), the Board of Education has indicated “that a student will not be excluded from any educational program due to financial hardship”. This clause in the Regulations provides for the private and confidential consideration of financial circumstances of individual students and families, while preserving the dignity of families which may be unable to pay. Please contact the school Principal if you are facing a financial hardship that may restrict the ability of your child to access a school program.



KELOWNA CROWS

JUNIOR TACKLE SEASON

AUGUST 30TH - DECEMBER 10TH



**Starts at Parkinson Rec, East, P10 and P8
August 30th - November 3rd, 5 - 6:30pm
Field location change to Mission Creek all weather field
November 8th - December 10th, 5 - 6:30pm**

Games are played in Kelowna and at the coast on Sundays. Will need parents to help give rides to and from the coast.
Still looking for managers and coaches!
Cost will be RC and BC insurance between \$90 and \$130 based on age. Plus ~~\$125~~ for club dues. Boys League Club fees \$100, Girls Sunday Play \$40

Registration at www.kelownacrows.com

**Questions? Please email
juniordirector@kelownacrows.com or call 250-258-6668**



Principal - Scott Parker

Vice Principal - Christey Hughes

Vice Principal - Jeff Prasad

Vice Principal - Michael Kormany

Student Last Name A-G: Christey Hughes

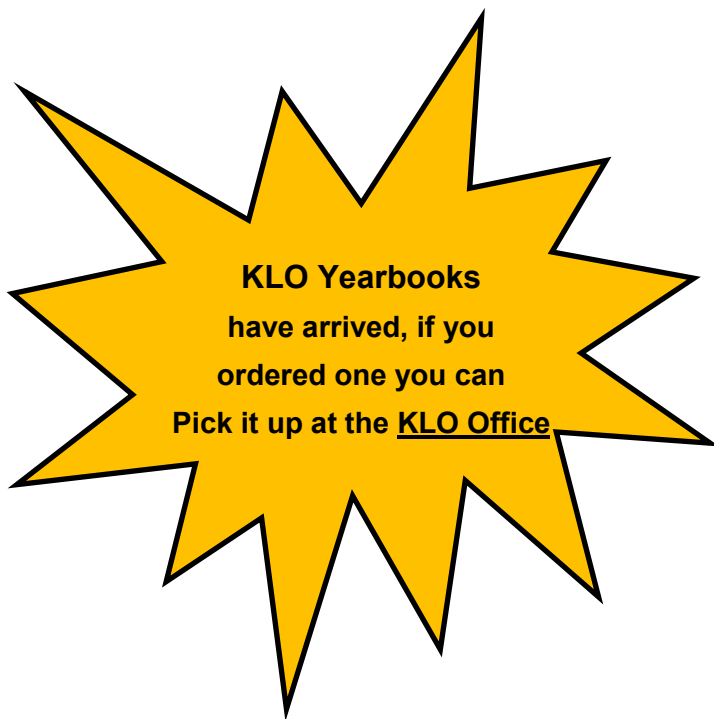
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Starts

Wednesday
September 14

Ends

Wednesday
November 23

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