



Whoo's News

April 14, 2023



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



In order to participate in Graduation, Grade 12 students must have:

- ⇒ returned any overdue library or textbooks,
- ⇒ paid any outstanding student fees (including \$75 grad fee), and
- ⇒ be in a calculable position to graduate.

The “**Outstanding Fees & Textbooks List**” is posted in the MPR and is sorted by PUPIL NUMBER. *Please have your grade 12 student check this list and take care of any outstanding fees.*

The “**Non-Grad List**” (*academic list*) will be posted in the beginning of May after Q3. If students are on the Non-Grad List, they may make an academic plan with their alpha VP.

Prom tickets go on sale on April 24th in the MPR. **If students are on either of these lists, they will not be able to purchase Prom tickets or participate in Grad.**

MOVING?



Not returning to KSS in September?

Please contact us and let us know for next school year planning purposes.

Please call 250-870-5105 or email kss@sd23.bc.ca



April 21	Term 3 ends
April 21	Airband Final Performance 7:00 p.m.
April 24-28	Numeracy & Literacy Assessments
May 4	Report Cards release Digitally via MyEd BC
May 4	Andrew Allen Performance
May 9	PAC AGM
May 11	Moose Hide Campaign Day
May 19	Grad Walk & Prom
May 22	Victoria Day—No School
May 25	Indigenous Graduation

Ministry Assessments at KSS Updates

As you know, to graduate in B.C. with a Dogwood Graduation Certificate, students need to complete 3 Ministry Assessments: Literacy 10, Numeracy 10 and Literacy 12

Students are scheduled to write these in grade 10 English and Math classes as well as English 12 classes. Opportunities to write in are scheduled in November, January, April, and June each year. Results from the November and January assessments are available to students on their MyEducationBC portal. Results from the January session are also posted in the KSS Multipurpose Room by student identification number.

The upcoming April session (April 24th – 28th) will have students in grade 10 Math classes writing in class. Semester 2 Literacy assessments will be written in Grade 10 and 12 English classes in June. Make - up assessments for students who missed previous assessments or want to take one of the assessments are also able to sign-up with KSS Vice Principal Jeff Prasad at the office, or by email jeff.prasad@sd23.bc.ca for the April session.

Save the Date! Parents of the KSS Football Program are hosting a fundraising pub night to support our Owls in preparation for the 2023 BC High School football season. Join parents and fans of our KSS Owls on **Saturday, April 22nd, 2023 at Creekside Pub & Grill** beginning at **3:00 pm**. Tickets are **\$25** and include a choice of burger (cheeseburger or veggie burger), a side and a beer/wine beverage.

Raffle tickets will be available to purchase for some amazing door prizes! Winners must be in attendance. Just a few exciting prizes up for grabs:

- RAW Football Camp Registration
- Canucks Tickets
- Whistler Skydiving Tandem Jump
- NFL/CFL Swag
- Propane Fire Pit

And MUCH MORE!!!

To purchase a ticket, please email: owlsfootball.kss@gmail.com



This is an adults only event and we want to see everyone who buys a ticket in attendance. We appreciate your support! Grab your friends and come on out!

We are still accepting donations of raffle prizes if businesses would like to support the program. To supply a donation, please email owlsfootball.kss@gmail.com.

Be T.O.U.G.H.!

GO OWLS!

GRAD 2023



For current updates, please ensure that you are reading the Whoo's News, checking the school website, and that your grads are following the grad Instagram @kss2023_, and the Grad 2023 Information Google Classroom.

Link to KSS Grad on KSS website [HERE](#).



Grad Clothing FINAL SALE EXTENSION!

The final order of grad clothing has been **extended to April 16th!**

This will be your last chance to order this year and late orders will not be accepted. ***Don't miss out!*** Please order [HERE](#).

Items will go into production and will take approximately four weeks to arrive at KSS. Announcements will be made once the items arrive and they may be picked up in Room 193.



BOTTLE DRIVE FOR THE GRAD CLASS!!!

Please help us raise funds for the 2023 KSS Prom by bringing your empty bottles to the Return-It Express drop off at the Kent Road Bottle Depot @ 1936 Kent Rd. Simply bring your containers to the depot in sealed, transparent blue or clear bags, and enter the KSS grad class number at the Express kiosk located just inside the building (**250-KSS-GRAD** = 250-577-4723). You will be prompted to select the number of bags you're dropping off, and the kiosk will automatically print stickers for each of your bags with the KSS Grad Express account code. Tag each of your bags with a sticker, and drop the bags off in the designated Express drop-off area (outside the building) to be counted and credited to our account. (Note: a maximum of 12 glass bottles can be included in each bag.)

Please help us spread the word, & THANK YOU for your support!!

KSS 2023 Prom Fundraising and Sponsorship

The 2023 Prom Committee is raising funds and seeking sponsorship in order to make the 2023 prom on May 19 affordable and accessible to all grads. Please see "Prom Sponsorship Letter" (next page) to support these fundraising efforts and to help make this a great year for your grads! Prom tickets will go on sale in the MPR on April 24th.



Kelowna Secondary School
École Secondaire Kelowna

1079 Raymer Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1Y 4Z7
Ph: (250) 870-5105 Fax: (250) 870-5005

Dear Parents and/or Business Owners,

It has been a strange time to be in high school over the past few years, and the parent Prom Committee for the 2023 Kelowna Secondary School graduating class is working hard to organize an event that will provide over 500 grads with positive memories that will last a lifetime. As such, we are raising funds to help subsidize the cost of the Prom and ensure that everyone in the Grade 12 class can afford the ticket price to attend and be a part of such a special night.

As with everything these days, costs have increased significantly to put together an event like this. Therefore, we are reaching out to parents and the community to ask for your assistance with our venue, food, and entertainment costs. This would help tremendously in lowering ticket prices. These graduates have looked forward to this day for years and are our future in Kelowna. We wish to show them an example of what is possible when everyone comes together to achieve a common goal. Your generosity and contributions will be widely acknowledged and advertised throughout the evening of their Prom.

Alongside our fundraising efforts we are hoping to have some "door prizes" to give out that evening and are looking for community support for these as well. If you have a donation of a product or service from your business, a gift card to your business, or know a company, friend or family member who might be willing to donate a prize, this support would be greatly appreciated. Attached is our contact information and a sheet detailing our levels of donations and/or sponsorships. We thank you in advance for considering our request to assist the 2023 graduating class of Kelowna Senior Secondary School. Through your generosity, their Prom is sure to be a huge success.

Sincerely,

KSS Parent Prom Committee
Email: kssprom2023@gmail.com



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PROJECT KSS PROM MEMORIES FOR ALL

Door Prize Donation _____

The Graduation Cap _____ (Sponsor a Grad by purchasing a Prom ticket(s), price to be determined. Please reach out to kssprom2023@gmail.com for questions on the possible dollar amount of this.)

All levels of financial sponsorship from here forward will receive acknowledgement and advertising at the Prom (unless you wish to remain anonymous).

The Diploma _____ \$100 donation

The Words of Wisdom _____ \$250 donation

The Honor Roll _____ \$500 donation

The Scholarship _____ \$750 donation

The Valedictorian _____ \$\$\$ **

(Sponsor the cost of one of our entertainers, activities (ie photo booths), or rental expenses. Please inquire about the many options available and their associated costs. Tax receipts likely available for this level only depending on vendor.)

Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Website URL: _____

Please email us at kssprom2023@gmail.com with your area of interest. Cheques can be made payable to KSS/Kelowna Secondary School, Attn: Grad Coordinator/PROM.

Safety of your Child at Non-Sanctioned Graduation Events

For each of our grade 12 students, the graduation year is one of the most special and celebrated milestones to date. We have several events that we organize and support at KSS for your Grade 12 student. Administrators, teachers, parents and students work very hard to organize these events and ensure all safety concerns are addressed. Grad Winter Formal, Grad Movie Night, Grad Spaghetti Dinner, Prom and the Convocation Ceremony are just a few activities that we plan and prepare for your child's enjoyment.

Unfortunately, there are other non-sanctioned grad events that we do not supervise nor support. These activities are often organized and arranged by the graduates themselves and include "grad kidnappings" and subsequent "bush parties" that take place in our community.

We need to emphasize our serious concerns regarding student behavior and safety at all of the above-mentioned non-sanctioned events, as there have been incidents of serious injury in past years.

The staff at KSS want your child's grade 12 year to be positive, memorable and safe, and we strongly caution and counsel parents to investigate these non-sanctioned activities carefully.



GRAD FUNDRAISER

Celebrate your GRAD!

**GRAD KEEPER
SIGNS
2023**



**\$5 FROM EVERY
SIGN GOES TO
SUPPORT THE
GRADS!**

- These signs are 18" high x 15.5" wide, and are for you to keep, they will look like the picture above.
- All signs need to be ordered by April 23rd, 2023.
- Signs will be delivered to the school by May 15th, 2023, for pickup
- Signs come with a yard stake for \$25 + tax, and a portion will go to the grad committee.
- Personalize them for \$10 more.
- Link to book is here: <https://form.jotform.com/211265528801250>
- For more information regarding our full size sign rentals, please go to www.wowtheyard.com

@wowtheyard



For more info, visit
www.wowtheyard.com
or contact Rosanne at
wowtheyardkelowna@gmail.com
or 250-864-3480



Attention French Immersion Grads! Diner en Blanc is for you!

**Célébrons ensemble
D'NER EN BLANC**

**FÊTONS
VOTRE RÉUSSITE
DU PROGRAMME
D'IMMERSION FRANÇAISE
\$25 / PERSONNE**

Lieu Secret - habillez-vous en blanc!

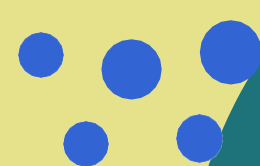
LUNDI, LE 29 MAI, 2023

Achetez votre billet



Central Okanagan
Public Schools

Together We Learn



April 25, 2023

6:00 - 7:00 PM

School Board Office
Main Board Room

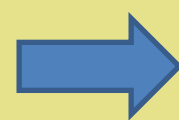
Affinity Group for Parents/Guardians of Black Students

LOCATION: 1040 HOLLYWOOD ROAD SOUTH, KELOWNA,
BC HOSTED BY: BRENT CARMICHAEL

Parents, guardians, and community members are invited to attend the Parents and Guardians of Black Student Affinity Group.

The topic for the April meeting will be to gather input on the Ministry of Education K-12 Anti-Racism Action Plan for Central Okanagan Public Schools.

[Click to review the K-12
Anti-Racism Action Plan](#)



WHAT IS AN AFFINITY GROUP?

An Affinity Group is defined as a group linked by a common purpose, ideology, or interest.

Please join us as we host our third Affinity Group meeting. We look forward to seeing you.

*Looking ahead the
fourth meeting is
scheduled for
May 30th*

KSS PAC



Sadly, the current Executive Board will all be leaving KSS as our kids are graduating.

The KSS PAC is in urgent need of new volunteers for the 2023-24 school year. In order to maintain our school's BC Gaming Grant Funding of over \$30,000 annually to support our students and their extracurricular activities, KSS needs to have an active PAC. ***Please join us to see how you can help make this happen.***

The new executive will be chosen at the AGM on May 9th at 6:30 p.m. at KSS. All parents are welcome to attend!

If you have any questions or would like information on the KSS PAC Executive, please email us at kss.pac@sd23.bc.ca

ALL AGES WELCOME

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

ALL SKILL LEVELS

FREE

MEADOW ARCAND-SQUAKIN
UTS FEMALE BOX LACROSSE TEAM BC NAAGS - 2017
ALBERTA INDIGENOUS GAMES COED BOX LACROSSE - 2022
PENTICTON JUNIOR BOX LACROSSE TEAM - ATHLETE

NAOMI PLANT
AQUINAS COLLEGE NAAM VIKING - CLASS 2022
UTS FEMALE BOX LACROSSE TEAM BC NAAGS - 2017

SYDNEY FRASER
UTS FEMALE BOX LACROSSE TEAM BC NAAGS - 2022
FUSION WEST LACROSSE CLUB - ATHLETE
QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY NCAA D1 - CLASS 2022
WILKINSON BOX LACROSSE GLOBAL NETWORK - AMBASSADOR

SAVANNA SMITH
LA SALLE LACROSSE TEAM NAAM VIKING - CLASS 2014
UTS FEMALE BOX LACROSSE TEAM BC NAAGS - COACH 2017, 2022
FUSION WEST LACROSSE CLUB - COACH
WILKINSON BOX LACROSSE GLOBAL NETWORK - LEAD AMBASSADOR

Female Box Lacrosse Camp

APR 29, 2023

HOSTED BY
 RUTLAND ARENA WEST - KELOWNA
@ 10-2PM

FACILITATED BY
 FEMALE LACROSSE INTERIOR

INFO/REGISTER: FEMALE.INTERIORLACROSSE@GMAIL.COM



**UBCO
HEAT**
— SPORT CAMPS —

**UBCO Summer Sport Camps
REGISTER NOW!**
Visit goheat.ca/camps

Get in the game this summer with UBCO Heat Sport Camps!

Led by nationally recognized coaches and student athletes, UBCO Heat Sport Camps offer a fun-filled week of skill development. These camps are a great way to introduce youth ages 5 to 17 to a sport or help them improve their techniques. Camp programming includes basketball, volleyball, biking and more.

Camps are set to run in July and August at UBC Okanagan. Follow this [link](#) or check out goheat.ca/camps to learn more and register today!

Contact ubcoheat.summercamp@ubc.ca for more info.



**OKANAGAN
GYMNASTICS CENTRE**

**OGC
SUMMER
CAMP**

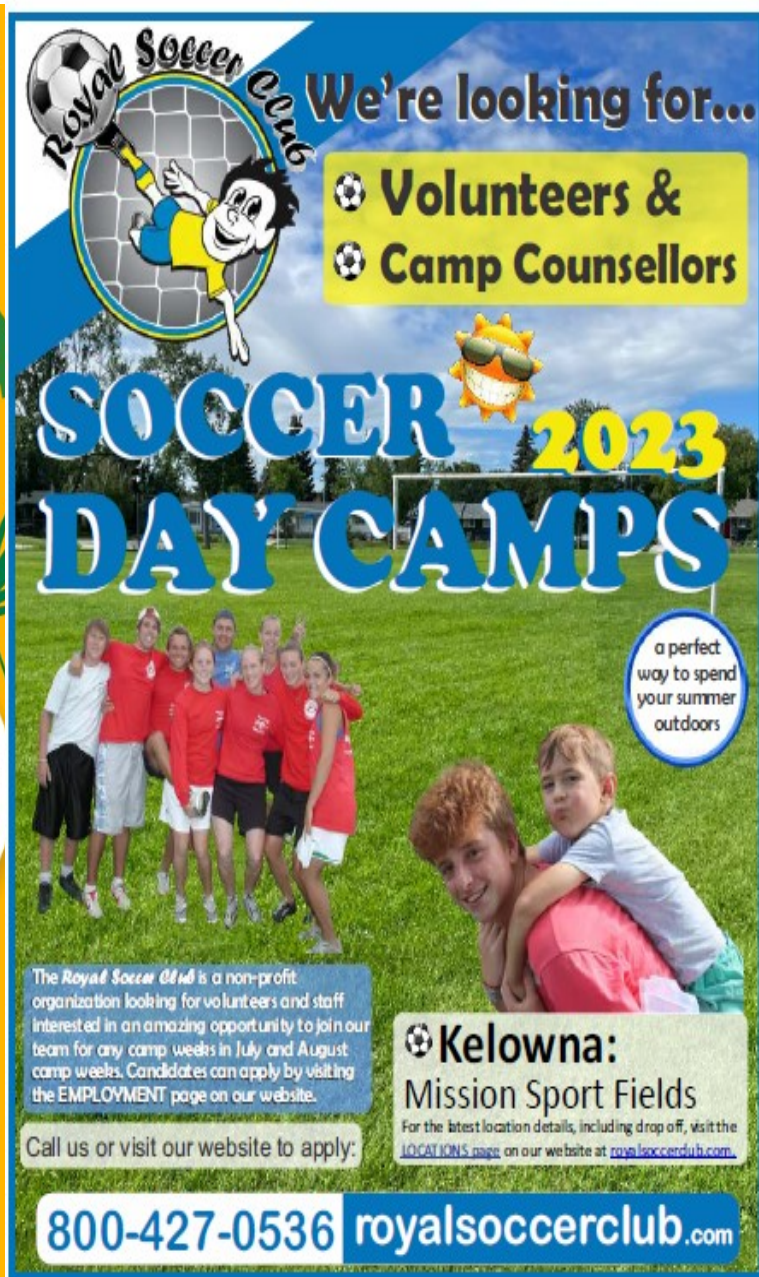
A FUN-FILLED SUMMER OF GYMNASTICS!
gymnastics, outdoor games, crafts,
activities, movies, and pizza!

WEEKLY CAMPS JULY & AUGUST 2023

REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 6!

OKANAGANGYMNASTICS.COM

QUESTIONS? [INFO@OKANAGANGYMNASTICS.COM](mailto:info@okanagangymnastics.com) OR CALL 250.765.0888



Royal Soccer Club

We're looking for...

- ⚽ **Volunteers &**
- ⚽ **Camp Counsellors**

**SOCCER 2023
DAY CAMPS**

a perfect way to spend your summer outdoors

The Royal Soccer Club is a non-profit organization looking for volunteers and staff interested in an amazing opportunity to join our team for any camp weeks in July and August camp weeks. Candidates can apply by visiting the EMPLOYMENT page on our website.

Kelowna:
Mission Sport Fields
For the latest location details, including drop off, visit the [LOCATION'S page](#) on our website at royalsoccerclub.com.

Call us or visit our website to apply:

800-427-0536 royalsoccerclub.com

ANIMATION INFO SESSION



Are you
interested in
Animation?

Join us to learn
more about the
program and have
the opportunity to
ask questions!



April 18
at 11:45 am



okanagan
college

Centre for Arts & Technology Scholarships

The future of creative careers is ever-evolving, and we want YOU to be a part of it. Centre for Arts and Technology will award scholarships to passionate Canadian high school students in grade 12 who are able to demonstrate their dedication to this growing creative landscape.

Grade 12 students with a flair for creativity are invited to apply. Think you've got what it takes? See their website [HERE](#) for more information and to apply!

Applications are open until June 28th.



Get Paid to Learn & Grow

FREE!

Join JUMPSTART to connect
with others and get:

- ☒ **free certifications ~ First Aid
Food Safe ~ WHMIS ~ SuperHost**
- ☒ **job placement opportunity**
- ☒ **life skills & job readiness training**
- ☒ **supportive & inclusive environment**



TEXT ME



Start date May 1

Recruiting Now

limited seats available
ages 16-30

TEXT/CALL
250-718-6179

EMAIL
mariana.souza@ymcasibc.ca

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STUDENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FAMILY SUNDAYS AT THE KELOWNA ART GALLERY

Students will work under the supervision of the staff at the Kelowna Art Gallery for the Family Sundays Art Program. The student volunteers will assist with the activities provided each Sunday to children and families. Students should be interested in art and working with children and families. The timing will be from 11:30 am to 4:30 pm each Sunday.

Kelowna Art Gallery
1315 Water Street



PLACEMENTS WILL BE ONGOING THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND AN APPLICATION PACKAGE,
PLEASE COME TO THE KSS CAREER CENTRE