



Whoo's News



November 13, 2020

REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY

All students and staff participated via zoom in our Remembrance Day Assembly on November 10th via Zoom. The Remembrance Day Assembly usually takes place outdoors and we appreciate the extra effort required to honour our veterans, despite the unprecedented times. Again this year, our presentation was amazing thanks to our talented students under the leadership of Ms. French, Ms. Clarke, Stephen Fuller, Mr. Mansley, Sean Conway and the Social Studies Department.



Students in Environmental Science 11/12 recently participated in a class project targeting the 17 UN Sustainable Development Goals. The winning team received \$250 to be donated to a community organization aligned with one of the goals. The winning team of Cameron S, Heather I, Hannah H, Helen K, Gabriel G and Abbie S (absent) pitched their idea for establishing a Podcast Studio at KSS in order to give a voice to marginalized youth in the KSS Community. They will be donating their winnings to The Foundry.

Dear KSS parents and guardians,

The KSS PAC is asking for your support to allow us to sponsor awards for our 2021 graduates through the Central Okanagan Bursary and Scholarship Society (COBSS). We will use any additional funds for clubs and activities to benefit all KSS students. We do not normally fundraise, but our BC gaming grant cannot be used to fund COBSS awards and does not cover all funding requests. We have created a Go Fund Me page, and we hope you will support our students as you are able. For details and to donate, please follow the link.

Sincerely,

Your KSS PAC

[KSS PAC Fundraiser 2020](#)

Thank
You!

Term 2 starts Monday, November 16

Students were able to pick up their schedule from their Q1 (Block 1) teacher.

Very limited changes are able to be made at this time and students should speak to their Counsellor.

Our block rotation for next week is:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Block 2/4	Block 2/4	Block 2/4	Block 2/4	Block 2/4
Group A	Group B	Group A	Group B	Group A

Important Update – Health & Safety

With Quarter 2 beginning on Monday, November 16th, and with some COVID-19 exposures in our community over this past week, [we recommend that everyone consider wearing masks in your morning classes for this upcoming week.](#) The following rules are still in place:

- Everyone must wear masks in common areas. Masks are required in the hallways, multipurpose room, library, learning assistance room, buses, and while waiting for the bus outdoors.
- Masks are particularly important when we are unable to physically distance.
- Everyone must sanitize hands upon entry to the building as well as in our portables.
- Wash or sanitize hands repeatedly throughout the day, particularly when leaving common areas.
- Follow directional arrows, and please KEEP TO THE RIGHT of the hallways.
- Do not share personal items such as pens, food, beverages, phones and personal devices.
- When necessary educational tools are shared, wash or sanitize hands before and after each use.
- Guests must check in at the office. Only invited guests are allowed in the building at this time.
Everyone – staff, students, and guest – MUST PERFORM THE DAILY SELF HEALTH SCREENER (found on page 2 of this Newsletter)



Daily Health Check

Date:

Name:

The following is a tool that must be used by parents/caregivers to complete prior to their child coming to school, and for staff and visitors to be completed on themselves.

Daily Health Check			
1. Symptoms of Illness*	For parents: Does your child have any of the following symptoms? For staff/visitor: Do you have any of the following symptoms?	Check Box Below	
	Fever	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Chills	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Cough or worsening of chronic cough	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Shortness of breath	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Loss of sense of smell or taste	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Diarrhea	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Nausea and vomiting	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2. International Travel	Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
3. Confirmed Contact	Are you or is anyone in your household a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

*Check BCCDC's [Symptoms of COVID-19](#) regularly to ensure the list is up to date.

If you answered "YES" to any of the symptom questions, are the symptoms related to a pre-existing condition? (e.g. allergies). ☐ YES ☐ NO

If "YES" the person may come to school if the symptoms are being experienced as normal.

If "NO", the symptoms are not related to a pre-existing condition see the following information:

If you answered "YES" to one of the questions included under 'Key Symptoms of Illness' (excluding fever), you should stay home for 24 hours from when the symptom started. If the symptom improves, you may return to school when you feel well enough. If the symptom persists or worsens, seek a health assessment.

If you answered "YES" to two or more of the questions included under 'Symptoms of Illness' or you have a fever, seek a health assessment. A health assessment includes calling 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner. If a health assessment is required, you should not return to school until COVID-19 has been excluded and your symptoms have improved.

When a COVID-19 test is recommended by the health assessment:

- If the COVID-19 test is **positive**, you should stay home until you are told by public health to end self-isolation. In most cases this is 10 days after the onset of symptoms. Public health will contact everyone with a positive test.
- If the COVID-19 test is **negative**, you can return to school once symptoms have improved and you feel well enough. Symptoms of common respiratory illnesses can persist for a week or more. Re-testing is not needed unless you develop a new illness.
- If a COVID-19 test is recommended but is not done because you choose not to have the test, or you do not seek a health assessment when recommended, and your symptoms are not related to a previously diagnosed health condition, you should stay home from school until 10 days after the onset of symptoms, and then you may return if you are feeling well enough.

If a COVID-19 test is not recommended by the health assessment, you can return to school when symptoms improve and you feel well enough. Testing may not be recommended if the assessment determines that the symptoms are due to another cause (i.e. not COVID-19).

Completed By:

For École Dr. Knox Middle School and École Kelowna Secondary School Long Term Facilities Plan Consultation

The District has moved to the next phase in the Long Term Facilities Plan Consultation and has released the [results from the first survey](#) and the [considerations for capacity issues at École Kelowna Secondary School](#) and the [considerations for French Immersion programming at H.S. Grenda Middle School](#).

Please ensure that you review the considerations as they may be a consideration that could impact your school or school catchment. We hope you can attend the upcoming virtual town halls on these emergent issues. The District will discuss the considerations and answer your questions at the following Public Townhall Meetings:

H.S. Grenda Middle School French Immersion Program Considerations

November 12, 2020 at 5:00 pm via Zoom: <https://sd23.zoom.us/j/69376010829>

Kelowna Secondary School Capacity Considerations

November 16, 2020 at 5:00 pm via Zoom: <https://sd23.zoom.us/j/61498372295>



Dear Grad Coordinator,

Thank you for choosing Mountain West Studios for providing graduation photos for the 2020-21 grad class.

The Grad Photo Session is booked as per the following schedule:

Graduation photos

Kelowna Secondary School

January 11th to 22nd, 2021

Students can book their session through our website at [mountainwest.ca](https://www.mountainwest.ca)

- Select "BOOK a PHOTO SESSION" at the top of the page.
- Select your school and proceed to sign up for your preferred date and time.

Location:

Kelowna Secondary School- Drama room

- Please arrive at least 10 minutes early to sign in and make any last minute preparations.
- There is a NO sitting fee due to the photographer.
- Mountain West Studios will provide the cap, gown, school colours, flowers, diplomas and a variety of backgrounds and creativity.
- Your Graduation portrait session is a special, once-in-a-lifetime event. Please take the time to prepare and you will love your portraits.

What to Bring:

- Women please wear V-Neck shirts or tank tops for your cap & gown photos. Avoid the use of sparkles in your hair and makeup.
- Hair and make-up should be done before you arrive, but bring supplies for touch-ups.
- Men please wear a Shirt & Tie for your cap & gown photos. Clean nails and styled, tidy hair.
- If you do not have a shirt and tie, we will provide you with one of our "half" shirts and ties to wear under the grad gown.
- We also encourage all of you to bring any special personal props/sports items, etc. to include in your portrait session.
- We would be following the COVID protocol which requires temperature and masks worn up till point of photos
- The Web Code to view and order online is available at the Camera and also will be emailed in 7-10 days after the photo day

If you have any questions email us at grads@mountainwest.ca or call 1-888-644-4494 ext 126

If you have any questions, please contact Mountain West Studios.

Phone: 1.888.644.4494 Ext. 126

Email: grads@mountainwest.ca

Grad Photos



It is time to sign up for a grad photo appointment! Grad photos will be taken after school at KSS from January 11-22. Please visit this website in order to sign up: <https://www.mountainwest.ca/>. At the top right, select "Book a Photo Session," and then follow the prompts to select a time and fill in a profile. **Ensure that your information is correct** as your photo proofs will be sent to your email.

Mountain West has only released the first week of appointments and will release the second week once the first has filled up, to avoid unfilled appointments at the end.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Mountain West will not be offering group photos or parents in the building during photo sessions, but students are encouraged to bring props and even pets, as long as a KSS student can hold them during the grad gown portion of the session.



Central Okanagan
Public Schools
Together We Learn

SCHOOL BUS RIDER RULES - COVID-19

1. If you are ill or have COVID symptoms, do not ride the bus or go to school.
2. Wash your hands before getting onto the school bus.
3. Middle and High School students must wear a mask when loading, unloading and riding the school bus.
4. Middle and High school students will be denied access onto the school bus if they do not or are not willing to wear a mask.
5. Sit in your assigned seat – do not move seats.
6. NO guest passengers on the school bus will be permitted.
7. NO Food or Drinks – except a water bottle.
8. Load the school bus from back to front
9. Unload from front to back.



POST-SECONDARY VIRTUAL INFO SESSIONS

PLEASE NOTE – Students/Parents may need to register for these events prior to the sessions.

POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL	DATE & TIME	LINK to VIRTUAL INFO SESSION
University of British Columbia Okanagan – Online Info Sessions	Oct. 28 @ 6:30 – 8:30 pm	https://you.ubc.ca/tours-info-sessions/online-sessions/#canadian
	Nov. 5 @ 6:30 – 8:30 pm	
Okanagan College – variety of virtual events	Varies – check link for updates	https://www.okanagan.bc.ca/office-of-the-registrar/info-sessions
University of Victoria – Discover UVic Sessions	Sept. 29 @ 4 pm	www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/tours-events/events/
	Oct. 6 @ 4 pm	
	Oct. 27 @ 4 pm	
	Nov. 10 @ 4 pm	
	Nov. 17 @ 4 pm	
University of Victoria – Parent Info. Nights	Nov. 24 @ 4 pm	www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/tours-events/events/
	Sept. 27 @ 5 pm	
	Oct. 18 @ 5 pm	
Simon Fraser University – Prospective Student Info Sessions	Nov. 8 @ 5 pm	https://www.sfu.ca/students/admission/campus-tours.html
	Nov. 22 @ 5 pm	
University of Calgary – Virtual Open House	Check link for updates on session times	https://www.sfu.ca/students/admission/campus-tours.html
University of Alberta – variety of virtual events	Oct. 3 @ 10 am -3 pm	https://www.ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate/events/open-house
	Varies – check link for session times	https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions/undergraduate/tours-and-events/index.html?

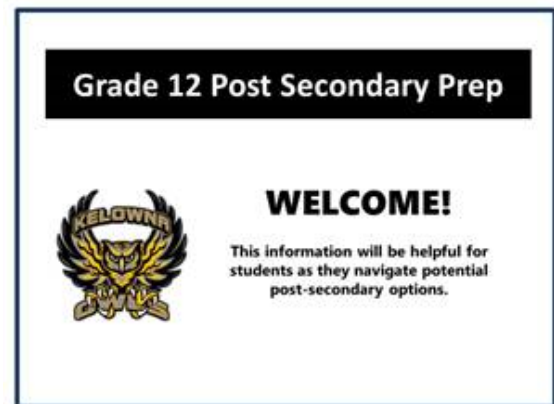


Grad Clothing

Attention grade 12 students, parents, and guardians! Our first of three online grad clothing sales is now open. This sale ends on November 15. Items will arrive at KSS 3-4 weeks

after November 15 for distribution. We will post here in the newsletter as well as on Minga when the clothing arrives, and the students will be responsible for picking them up in room 193.

<https://kssgrad21-1.itemorder.com/sale>



Post-Secondary Institutions of BC present the PSIBC VIRTUAL FAIR

<https://postsecondarybcvirtualfair.easyvirtualfair.com/>

While typically we have had post-secondary institutions visit our school individually and also as a group for the PSIBC Fair Event, this year these events are going virtual. The PSIBC Virtual Fair is an amazing opportunity to research post-secondary opportunities within BC and gather all sorts of information!



WHEN:

Monday, Oct. 5 th	2pm – 6pm	Kelowna/Vernon/Okanagan students
Tuesday, Oct. 6 th	3pm – 7pm	Kelowna/Vernon/Okanagan students
Wednesday, Oct. 21 st	3pm – 7pm	Provincial Community Event
Saturday, Nov. 14 th	12pm – 4pm	Provincial Community Event
Wednesday, Dec. 2 nd	3pm – 7pm	Provincial Community Event

REGISTRATION HOW-TO:

1. Click on the registration link to create an account.
2. Fill in all mandatory fields.
3. Make sure you remember your e-mail and chosen password for the platform! You'll need it to log in.
4. "Programs of Interest" → you are only able to select one option. Don't worry, you can get information about any program you wish. Just choose the one you are leaning towards at this moment.
5. Email address → use an email you will frequently check. Recruiters may need to follow up with you after the fair to answer your questions or send you information.
6. Date & Time → Select your preferred date and time for Kelowna/Vernon/Okanagan secondary schools or for a Provincial Community Event.

NOTES & HELPFUL TIPS:

- Some PSIs will have more recruiters available for their local students.
- YES, you can sign up for both Oct. 5th and 6th plus any community events.
- YES, parents can sign up too!
- Recruiters and representatives are only available during the fair times.
- YES, you can still go into the booths of PSIs outside of fair times, you will be limited to downloading information and looking at the booth. Generally fairs are scheduled for the afternoons and evenings so if you need to get a document or take a look at a booth, the best option is to do that in morning.
- Please do NOT sign up for events outside of our region or the community events.

WHEN VISITING A VIRTUAL BOOTH, YOU CAN...

	INSTITUTION PROFILE General info		SOCIAL MEDIA Links to follow schools
	CHAT Live chat with recruiters		ONLINE CHATS Chats with specific times, or specific offices/depts
	OFFERS ex: Application links		PRESENTATIONS Live events or pre-recorded
	VIDEOS ex: tours, general info, 'how-to'		MAILBOX Send message to recruiter
	DOWNLOADABLE DOCUMENTS ex: viewbooks		BANNERS Images for download
	WEBSITE LINKS Ex: admissions, scholarships, etc.		POSTERS Images for download

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Okanagan College is offering virtual drop ins Wednesday mornings and Thursday afternoons where students or potential applicants can “stop by” and ask questions.

Normally drop ins are about 10 minutes with the Advisor, but if nobody is waiting, they can have longer if needed. Here is the information –

Have a few quick questions to ask but don't want to book an appointment? Meet with an advisor in a virtual drop-in session. Participants will:

- *enter into a virtual waiting room
- *get moved into a private virtual room by an advisor when it's their drop-in session
- *have about 10 minutes to ask questions
- *can return later for another session



Join Zoom Meeting

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/69343856424?pwd=NSStReGthdGM4MDkvbFZDQ1NBbmF2dz09>

Meeting ID: 693 4385 6424

Passcode: 842386

One tap mobile

+17789072071,,69343856424# Canada

Dial by your location

+1 778 907 2071 Canada

Meeting ID: 693 4385 6424

Find your local number:

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/69343856424?pwd=NSStReGthdGM4MDkvbFZDQ1NBbmF2dz09>

The Southern Medical Program is hosting a virtual information session for prospective applicants to UBC's distributed MD Undergraduate Program. Learn about the admission requirements, application process, and how the program is training the next generation of physicians for our province.

The event will be held on **Friday, November 27th from 6:30 to 8:00 pm** via Zoom.

Presenters include Dr. Shahin Shirzad, Assistant Dean, Admissions, UBC Faculty of Medicine and current Southern Medical Program students.

Visit <http://tiny.cc/mdinfoession> to register. Space is limited.

For more information, please contact Carri Folk, carri.folk@ubc.ca.

**Virtual MD
Admissions
Information Ses-
sion – November**

UBC OKANAGAN ENGINEERING OPEN HOUSE 2020

Learn how applied science is changing the world.

Tuesday, November 17, 2020
5:30PM - 8PM (Pacific Time)

RSVP: engineering.ok.ubc.ca/open-house

Meet with professors, staff and students to explore everything UBC Okanagan's School of Engineering has to offer.

The online event will feature live presentations, plus interactive sessions with professors, students, and advisors. Explore our research labs, and learn more about our design teams and clubs (Motorsports, Concrete Toboggan, Aero Club, and more).

Bring your friends and family to explore live and recorded event.



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School of Engineering
Faculty of Applied Science
Okanagan Campus

[ENGINEERING.OK.UBC.CA](https://engineering.ok.ubc.ca)

About COBSS

The Central Okanagan Bursary and Scholarship Society (COBSS) is a charitable foundation with local **volunteers** coordinating financial assistance for our high school graduates for their post-secondary education.

We collect and administer money from area **donors** including community and school groups, businesses, and individuals. Through COBSS, local Grade 12 **students** can apply for over 550 awards. Criteria is set by the donor to recognize student achievement (such as citizenship, scholastic or athletic achievement) and/or to assist with financial need for further education.

New donors and volunteers are welcome!

Email us at COBSS@shaw.ca and visit our website at COBSS.sd23.bc.ca



Donor comments

As a recent University grad, I know the financial pressures on students are REAL! I donate to COBSS because I was given lots of help - and it's time for me to pay it forward.

GEM Miller Family Scholarship

At Strut, our loyal customers value education and round up on each of their purchases. As a result we are proud to allocate 4 awards to Central Okanagan graduates.

Shandi, Strut Footwear and Apparel



Important dates

November 25, 2020	donor deadline for 2021 awards
December 1, 2020	student online applications open
January 11, 2021	student applications due*
March 29, 2021	awards selection begins
June 2021	awards presented to grads

*ask your school counselor for details



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

Anxiety Canada is a non-profit organization established more than 20 years ago to raise awareness and support about anxiety. Their website contains access to free online tools and resources that you may find helpful.

As well, Anxiety Canada has developed MindShift™ CBT which uses proven strategies based on Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) to help you learn to relax and be mindful, develop more effective ways of thinking, and use active steps to take charge of your anxiety.



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DISCOVER UBC'S OKANAGAN CAMPUS

When: **November 18, 6:30 - 8:30pm**

Learn about UBC's Okanagan campus, its close-knit community and its world-class academic experience from our advisors. Hear from current students, as they share their stories and perspectives on their experience of this wonderful, unique campus.

REGISTER NOW AS SPACE IS LIMITED

you.ubc.ca/tours-info-sessions/ubc-visits/canada/ ...or here



STUDENT RECRUITMENT AND ADVISING
Email: recruitment.ok@ubc.ca
Tel: 250.807.8521
Toll-free: 1.877.807.8521



you.ubc.ca

UBC Okanagan is hosting **Discover UBC's Okanagan Campus** which will be taking place virtually via Zoom on **November 18, 6:30 - 8:30 PM Pacific Time**. This event is exclusively for students in the Okanagan region to learn more about what makes UBCO a world-class education destination. The event will focus on the Okanagan programs, student life, and experiences. There will be a live student panel with current UBCO students providing their insight and experiences with this unique, exciting campus. See further details on page 6.



High School Girls! Join us for Virtual STEM Events

All-Girls Events

Join us as we learn about engineering design with fun, hands-on activities led by current university students and meet inspiring mentors. Connect with other like-minded students and talk to current engineering students and professionals who will share their stories and experience.

Who & When?

Grade 12: Sustainability for our Future - Thursday Oct 29th, 2020

Grade 9: Robotics Today - Thursday Dec 3rd, 2020

Grade 10: Design our Future - Wednesday Jan 27th, 2021

Grade 11: The Future of Tech - Thursday Feb 25th, 2021

Grade 8: Invitation to Create - Thursday Mar 11th, 2021

How Do I Register For These Free Events?

<http://geeringup.ca/high-school/kelowna/all-girls>

* We have an inclusive view of the word "girl" and we welcome trans, genderqueer, and non-binary folks interested in these workshops

Find out more at geeringup.ca

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Applied Science



MINDFUL MONDAYS @12PM IN ALL OF THE CHAOS, LET'S FIND SOME PEACE.

Register for this online mindfulness
workshop at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8446181163?pwd=ZkdldGprTsrH9LAVRberbJSioRcThhTkgP>

FOUNDRY



520 EAST 1ST AVENUE
VANCOUVER, BC, CANADA V5T 0H2

Summer Institute for Teens: July 5-30, 2021 (Online)

The Summer Institute for Teens (SIT) is an intensive pre-university program featuring small classes taught by professional, practicing artists to prepare students for the next step in their creative career. This immersive, one-month experience engages students through intensive studio practice and visual culture. The program culminates in a public exhibition of student work.

Students have a choice of 10 studios in a range of disciplines. No previous experience in the subject area is required, so students can choose to explore a new form or further their work in a favourite medium!

SIT 2021 online studio offerings:

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|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| - 2D Animation | - Illustration: Digital |
| - 3D Computer Animation | - Illustration: Traditional |
| - Architecture + Environmental Design | - Industrial Design |
| - Communication Design | - Media Arts |
| - Drawing | - Painting |

For more information about the program and studios, including learning outcomes, please visit our website: www.ecuad.ca/academics/teen-programs/summer-institute-for-teens

Registration + Fees:

Download the [Registration Package](#) and send us the completed package by email at csreghelp@ecuad.ca. Note: Students must be between the ages of 16 and 18 or have completed Grade 10 as of July 1, 2020 to register.

Early Bird Fees (until Dec 13, 2020): \$1990 Domestic | \$2390 International
Regular Fees (until June 21, 2021): \$2390 Domestic | \$2790 International

Contact:

If you have any questions about the program, please email teens@ecuad.ca. For additional information on how to register, please email csreghelp@ecuad.ca.

'intheknow' Information and Support

For families and caring adults who
are parenting a child or youth with
mental health challenges.

IN THE KNOW PROVIDES EXPERT SPEAKERS ON TOPICS IMPORTANT TO FAMILIES.
CONNECT AND LEARN WITH OTHER FAMILIES FOR AN ONLINE DISCUSSION - JOIN BY
COMPUTER OR PHONE.

CONNECTING WITH OUR KIDS WHEN ANXIETY LEADS TO SOCIAL ISOLATION.

Parenting when our kid's anxiety leads to social isolation is hard for everyone. A parent and counsellor talk about what anxiety and social isolation are, what it can look like and feel like for our kids and at home, strategies families can try and how important it is to connect with our children before doing the hard work of trying new things.

Registration Required: www.familysmart.ca/itk

FamilySmart
Together We Can Help

Ministry of
Children and Family
Development

heretohelp
Mental Health Services

Communities: Kelowna, Penticton, and Vernon
Cost: Free of Charge

Date: Tuesday, November 10, 6:30pm

Discussion facilitated by FamilySmart Parent in Residence

Watch a video with us and come together with other families for a facilitated discussion.

familysmart.ca

Plan, search, & apply to B.C. post-secondary institutions: <http://www.educationplannerbc.ca>

This information is *a guide*. Institutions may change entrance requirements without notification.

Students are responsible for researching and verifying all post-secondary entrance requirements for any institution they wish to attend.

UBC Admissions

