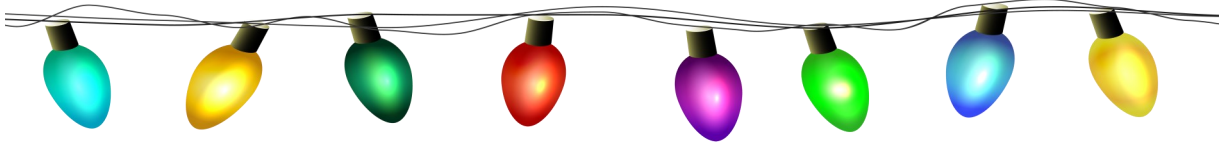




Whoo's News



December 15, 2023



KSS JAZZ CONCERT

*You are invited to an evening of music by the Jazz Combo's
in the KSS MPR on **Tuesday, December 19!***



The school entrance will be decorated and the air festive! Please join us and invite family and friends to an evening of musical entertainment put on by the Jazz Studies students.

Admission is by donation. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the Concert is from 7:00- 8:30 p.m.

FREE TRANSIT ON SATURDAYS!

In April of this year, Kelowna Council approved complimentary, city-wide transit service on **Saturdays in December 2023** for both conventional and custom (handyDART) service.



Upcoming dates . .



Dec 19	Jazz Concert in KSS MPR 7:00 p.m.
Dec 21	LOCKER CLEAN OUT
Dec 23-Jan 7	NO SCHOOL—Winter Break
Jan 7 - 11	Grad Photos (additional slots available)
Jan 8	School re-opens (full day)
Jan 9	KSS PAC Meeting via Zoom 6:30 p.m.
Jan 15-19	Ministry Assessment Week
Jan 15	COBSS Online Applications Closes
Jan 17	Capstone Presentation Day
Jan 17	Early Dismissal at 12:30 p.m.

GRAD PHOTOS— ADDITIONAL SLOTS!

Additional slots for individual graduation photo sessions have been added during week of January 7-11, 2024.

Students may utilize the QR codes around the school to make an appointment, or go to the [ARTONA](#) website to make an appointment or to review further photo information/tips.



KSS ATHLETICS

Spring Team Tryouts!

Scan the QR Code or use the link [HERE](#) to go directly to the KSS Athletics Spring Team Tryout page for Ultimate Frisbee, Boys Rugby and Girls Soccer tryout information.



ATHLETES IN THE MEDIA:

[4A Girls Volleyball Provincials](#)

[Nash Semeniuk](#)



WRESTLING

Results below are from the first **BC School Sports Wrestling Tournament** of the 2023 - 2024 season. The tournament was held on Saturday December 9, 2023 at J L Jackson Secondary School in Salmon Arm.

BOYS

Gold - George Suliman - OKM

Silver Tristan Ferguson - GESS

Silver - Jordan Aussant - KSS

Bronze - Tsukasa Yuminaga - KSS

Bronze - Wyatt Evans - KSS

Bronze - Brayden Lee - KSS

Congratulations!

Don't have time to FUNDRAISE??



Now Accepting

DONATIONS FOR KSS PROM 2024

Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, bosses, friends of friends; your KSS Graduate of 2024 needs your support. Prom is just around the corner and we want to give them a night to remember at a lower ticket price, please donate to help fund their event!

Go to **SCHOOL CASH ONLINE**
to make the Donation



Sign into your School Cash Online account or register for an account if you don't have one!

Register

Sign In

Choose your donation amount or type in another amount.

Gift Information

I would like to make a donation of: ☐ \$20 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$500 ☐ \$1000

Other Amount:

Make A Donation

Click on the Make A Donation Button

Be sure to select Kelowna Secondary as the Fund Destination to be sure the donation goes to the correct school.

Fund Destination: **Kelowna Secondary**

Message to School Board

Message: (Optional)

KSS PROM

Next be sure to type KSS PROM in the message box so the donation goes to the correct event at the school.

Add To Cart

Add to Cart then follow the prompts to process your donation payment. A tax receipt will be emailed directly to you shortly after completing the payment.

Any questions please email the KSS Prom Committee at ksspromcommittee@gmail.com



COBSS (CENTRAL OKANAGAN BURSARY & SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY)

KSS SCHOOL CODE = kss2024

COBBS on-line application closes:

January 15, 2024 @ 11:59 p.m.



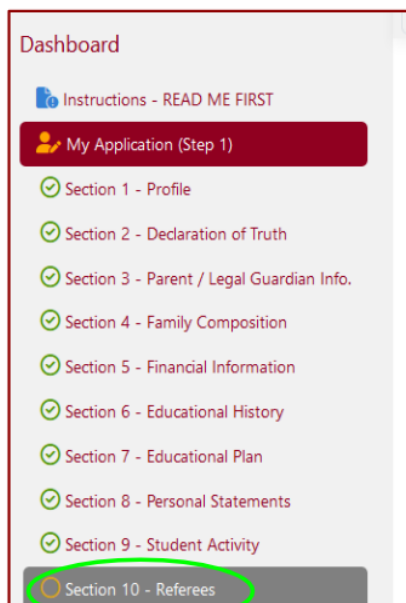
www.cobbs.ca

Please note that the application process this year
is completely online – *no paper!*

PSP#2 presentation is posted on the KSS website under Counselling and Post-Secondary Information as well as in the Grade 12 Google Classroom.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR COBSS APPLICANTS

HOW TO SEND LINK TO REFEREES



- There is a glitch in the COBSS application this year.
- Referees are not notified via email until you have completed sections 1 through 10 of My Application.
- To get the statements of reference to your referees faster, you do **NOT** need to fully complete all 10 sections.
- You only need to start each section with a few words for the system to think you have completed it and then the link will be sent to your referees.
- **Remember to return to complete all sections later.**
- This issue will be fixed for next year's application.
- Completed statements of reference are still required to be submitted by your referees by 11:59 pm January 15th.



StudentTranscripts Service

Information For Students

StudentTranscripts Service (STS) is an online application for students to view their school marks, transcripts, scholarships and send transcripts electronically to post secondary institutions and employers.



Get Started

To register for STS students will need:

- Personal Education Number (PEN)
- Full legal name
- Date of birth
- Email address

Step 1 Go to the Ministry of Education's **Transcripts and Certificate website** at <http://www.StudentTranscripts.gov.bc.ca>.

Step 2 You **must sign up** for a BCeID before you can use the StudentTranscripts Service. For BCeID signup, you need to:

- Complete the fields to register for a basic BCeID
- Select your password reset questions and answers
(*remember these* as you will need them if you forget your password)
- Follow the system prompts and sign up for StudentTranscripts Service.

Sign Up for a BCeID

Step 3 Log-in to StudentTranscripts Service using your BCeID.

When registering for the Student Transcript Service using your BCeID, you will be prompted to:

- Enter your student information used by your school (see **Get Started** information above)
- Read the personal data collection info and complete the process by clicking "submit"
- An email will be sent to the email address provided and must be activated within 24 hours of receipt or you will need to complete the registration process again
- Once activated, you will be able to log onto STS using your BCeID and password.

Log In with BCeID

Step 4 From your STS Dashboard, you can choose your post-secondary institutions (PSIs) selections, preview, send and order transcripts, view exam and assessment results and view scholarship information. Please note that all transcripts previewed in the STS are considered unofficial, but official transcripts will be sent out when ordered.

You will need to consent to the STS privacy notice which enables the ministry to send your transcripts to your selected PSIs by paper or electronically depending on how the PSI is able to receive transcripts. Printed copies of transcripts may take up to 3 weeks for processing and delivery to your selected PSIs.

Troubleshooting:

For BCeID questions: <https://www.bceid.ca>

For StudentTranscripts questions: servicebc@gov.bc.ca.



KSS PAC



The Parent Advisory Council plays an important role in the school. While there is a PAC executive, every parent/guardian with a child at KSS is automatically a PAC member and is encouraged and welcome to attend and give input/ask questions at any or all PAC meetings. It's a great way to stay connected to school happenings. PAC Meetings are also an opportunity to bring questions or concerns to administration or to PAC attention.

THE NEXT KSS PAC MEETING IS

Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

If you have already attended a KSS PAC meeting in the 2023-2024 school year, you will receive a Zoom link for this meeting closer to the date.

If you would like to attend the PAC Meeting Zoom, please e-mail KSS.PacPresident@sd23.bc.ca along with the name of your student and grade, saying you wish to be added to our PAC meeting notification list. You will then be emailed the zoom link.

The February meeting is on Tuesday, February 13th and will be via Zoom.

For more information on KSS PAC, including all meeting dates, minutes of meetings and PAC Executive, please see KSS Website, Parents, PAC. Link is [HERE](#).

We hope to see you at a PAC Meeting soon !





PAC SCHOLARSHIP & BURSARY FUNDRAISER

DIRECT DONATION OPPORTUNITY

Each year the KSS PAC provides 2 bursaries and 2 scholarships of \$1000 each to KSS graduates who will be attending post-secondary education in the Fall of their graduating year. The bursaries/scholarships are awarded to students based on financial need, academic achievement, and a desire to pursue post-secondary education in Canada.

Previously, these were funded through KSS's annual provincial community gaming grant, however, gaming funds are no longer allowed to be used for bursaries and scholarships. Hence, the PAC must fundraise in order to continue to provide these funds to support KSS students in their future education.

This is where YOU come in! Please consider donating! Any amount, no matter how large or small, makes a difference!

Our fundraising goal is \$4,000 to cover the awards for 2024 graduates. Any funds beyond our goal will be held in a PAC scholarship account for future years!

HOW TO DONATE

We will be using the School District donation option for our Bursary & Scholarship Fund. It allows us to keep all of the money that you donate, rather than having to pay platform fees, as well as gives you a tax receipt! (Subject to a minimum donation of \$20.00)

Steps:

1. Head over to www.schoolcashonline.com and sign in using your log in details that you pay your school fees with.
2. Click **Make a Donation** to open the donation form.
3. Under Gift Information you can choose the amount you wish to donate.
4. In the "Fund Destination" choose **Kelowna Secondary School**
5. In the message box write **KSS PAC Bursary/Scholarship donation (This is Important to ensure donations are received by the PAC)**
6. **Add to cart** to go to the payment page 😊

Give To Central Okanagan School District

Gift Information

I would like to make a donation of: ☐ \$20 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$500 ☐ \$1000 Other Amount:

Fund Destination:

Tribute Information

This gift is: Name of honoree:

Message to School Board

Message (Optional)

Tax Receipt

A donation receipt will be emailed to you upon completion of your cart checkout.

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INTERESTED IN
**POLICING
CAREERS?**



PARTICIPATE IN THE
**JEAN MINGUY MEMORIAL
RCMP YOUTH
Academy**

MAY 11 - 17, 2024

DEADLINE TO APPLY

IS JANUARY 31st

Applications are
available from the KSS
Career Centre or from
our website.



AGES 16-18
Are Invited to apply

Cost is
\$350

Includes all food, lodging
and supplies for the week.

**KELOWNA GENERAL HOSPITAL -
INTERIOR HEALTH**

**Volunteer Services
Opportunity**

Grade 11 & 12

**6 month commitment for
4 WEX 12AB credits**

Build your
resume by
volunteering
in the health
care sector

Choose from:
Information Desk
or
Clinical Units:
(Cardiac & 4W)

See your KSS Career Centre
for more info and an application form

no deadline to apply - placements are ongoing

**KELOWNA GENERAL
HOSPITAL FOUNDATION**

**Volunteer
Opportunity**

Grade 9-12

**150 hour commitment for
8 WEX 12AB credits**

Build your
resume by
volunteering
in the
health care
sector

Choose from:
Royal Bistro
The Gift Shop
Perking Lot Coffee Shop
Rutland Thrift Store

See your KSS Career Centre
for more information and an application form

no deadline to apply - placements are ongoing

Strong Neighbourhoods



**Youth Development
& Engagement
Grant**

GET EMPOWERED!

RACK UP SOME VOLUNTEER HOURS

**UP TO \$1000 TO SUPPORT YOUTH LED
COMMUNITY PROJECTS OR EVENTS**

PROJECT/EVENT IDEAS
FILM FESTIVAL | OPEN MIC NIGHT | PORCH CONCERT | MURALS |
NEIGHBOURHOOD BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS | TRASH TO TREASURE

HELP MAKE YOUR COMMUNITY A BETTER
PLACE TO LIVE AND PLAY

OPEN TO YOUTH AGES
13-24

NEIGHBOURHOODS@KELOWNA.CA
KELOWNA.CA/NEIGHBOURHOODS



UBC Geering Up
Kelowna, Okanagan



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT VOLUNTEERING

JOIN OUR KELOWNA STEM VOLUNTEER SQUAD

Are you a high school student eager to make a difference while gaining valuable professional experience? Apply to volunteer with Geering Up Engineering Outreach.

We have volunteer opportunities available for January-April 2024 Saturday Clubs and summer camps.

For more information and an application form, please see the KSS Career Centre

**DEADLINE TO APPLY IS FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 22nd**

WHY SHOULD YOU APPLY?

- Fulfill your volunteer requirements
 - Boost your resume!
 - Learn from UBCO undergrad students
 - Get an insider peek at the UBCO campus
 - Make new friends; connect with like-minded peers who share your passion for science and technology
 - Inspire the next generation as you learn to work with children in a classroom setting
- Have a ton of fun learning; you'll carry out experiments and activities!



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