

Whoo's News

School Opening 2022/23

WELCOME BACK!!

Staff has been working very hard over the summer and we are ready for students! Just a couple of reminders regarding the first day of school:

Tuesday, September 6 - 9:00 - 12:15 (Bus pick up at 12:25) Students are asked to report DIRECTLY TO HOME-ROOM at the bell. (Please do not come to the office to ask for a Timetable or to inquire about courses.) Lists will be posted indicating Homeroom assignment and staff / LINK Leaders will be available in the MPR to assist you. STUDENTS WILL PICK UP AN UPDATED COPY OF THEIR TIMETABLE FROM HOMEROOM. Please see Page 2 for information and criteria for course changes. Students received an electronic timetable on their MyED Portal today. Students must have access to their MyED portal. Report Cards, future course selections and timetables will always be available on the Portal. Portal Instructions

HOW DO I KNOW WHERE TO GO?

Your Homeroom Number is the classroom you go to! Example: Homeroom 179 is in Room 179 We will have a Homeroom at 9:00 a.m. each morning for the first week of school only, where teachers will support student locker assignment and distribute information to take home. Starting September 12 students will report to their regular class at 9:00 am. The Code of Conduct will be distributed the first day of school, so please look for it. It is also available online.

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:

IMPORTANT:

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





- (2) Enter an Absence Using the Online Parent Portal
 - visit go.schoolmessenger.ca
- (3) Enter an Absence by Calling the School
- call the school, press "1" and follow the prompts
- Notes are not accepted at the office to either excuse absences or to sign students out.
- Students will <u>not</u> be released from school unless permission has been granted via the above process by a parent/guardian.
- Please refer to our detailed Attendance Policy on the KSS website under "About Us".

SCHOOL FEES

The fastest and easier way to pay school fees is on-line. The \$30.00 Activity Fee has been waived and is being funded by the Ministry of Education for the 2022/23 school year only.

An optional \$10.00 **Parking Pass Fee** has been added to all Grade 12 students, and is only for those who wish to purchase a parking pass. Parking passes are available to Grade 12 students only **and do not guarantee a parking spot, only the permission to park if a spot is available.** Further details will be available the first week of school. Stay tuned to announcements!



Opportunity to purchase a **Yearbook** has also been popped 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 readily available.

COURSE CHANGES

- KSS counsellors will be available to meet with students who require course changes during the first week of school.
- Priority will be given to new registrations without timetables, those missing a course, and/or students missing a graduation requirement.
- Counsellors will be available in the MPR on Tuesday Sept. 6th until Friday Sept. 9th from 8:45 am till 12:30 pm and then from 1:30 to 3:30 pm.
- There will be no course changes after Friday, Sept. 9th unless there are exceptional circumstances.
- As counsellors be meeting students in person, they will not be able to respond to email requests during this time

Timetable changes will only be made for the following reasons:

- 1) Grade 12 student needs a course change for post-secondary or graduation.
- 2) A Grade 12 student wanting to drop a course (we are quite full and this will free up space.
- 3) Balancing a schedule (ie someone who has all academics in one semester)
- 4) A student in Grade 10 or 11 who does not have a full schedule, needs a different math/science etc.

September 9 is the last day for course changes.

STUDENTS MUST ATTEND THEIR SCHEDULED CLASSES



SCHOOL PHOTOS September 12

Extra-Curricular Activities

Activities at Kelowna Secondary get underway very quickly! Students need to listen for announcements as well as check our message board for info on sports tryouts, clubs, etc. We have a large electronic message board in our Multi Purpose Area as well as in the Library Commons on the second floor. Announcements are read daily over the PA system.

2022 FALL TRYOUT INFO



3A Girls Field Hockey Team

Pre-Season Open Workouts

Monday August 29th 3-5 pm Mission Turf
Tuesday August 30th 3-5 pm Mission Turf
Wednesday August 31st 3-5 pm Mission Turf
Open Try-Outs

Tuesday September 6th 4-6 pm Mission Turf
Wednesday September 7th 4-6 pm Mission Turf
Thursday September 8th 4-6 pm Mission Turf
Contact Mr. Bernhardsson for more info at
arnar.bernhardsson@sd23.bc.ca



3A Boys Soccer Team

Tryout info:

Tryouts are open to any Boys in Grade 10-12. You must attend all 3 tryouts to have a good chance of making the squad.

Thursday September 8th 330-5pm KSS Fields Monday September 9th 330-5pm KSS Fields Wednesday September 12th 330-5pm KSS Fields For more information contact: Daniel Ragobar at daniel.ragobar@sd23.bc.ca

Kelowna Secondary Cross Country team



Tryout info: Training in the past has been at Sutherland Hills park on Mondays and Thursdays at 4pm until 530 pm. Races are on Wednesdays throughout SD 23, with bussing to races provided by SD23 from you home school to the race and back if needed.

KSS Volleyball Tryouts:

Jr. + Sr. GIRLS Volleyball

Tuesday August 30th 4-6 pm Open Gym KSS GYM

Thursday September 1st 4-6 pm **Open Gym KSS GYM**Tuesday September 6th 5-7 pm **KSS GYM**Wednesday September 7th 5-7 pm **KSS GYM**Thursday September 8th 5-7 pm **KSS GYM**

Friday September 9th SR Girls Black & Gold Inter Squad game.

Jr. + Sr. Boys Volleyball

Tuesday September 6th 7-9 pm KSS GYM Wednesday September 7th 7-9 pm KSS GYM Thursday September 8th 7-9 pm KSS GYM



FOOTBALL JV and Varsity

Pre-season workouts start:

Monday August 22nd, 2022

Monday to Friday 5-7 pm KSS Fields

Please Contact Mr. Cartwright for more info at chris.cartwright@sd23.bc.ca



https://www.kssowlsathletics.com/fall-tryout-info.html