



WHOO'S NEWS

APRIL 3, 2026



YOUTH TRANSITION RESOURCE FAIR

April 9, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

KSS Gym and MPR

As your child or young person moves through high school and starts thinking about life after graduation, you may have questions about what comes next. Planning for the transition to adulthood can feel exciting and sometimes overwhelming- but you don't have to navigate it alone. To support families and youth during this stage, we are pleased to invite you to attend the first Transition Resource Fair in Kelowna in collaboration with CLBC and Central Okanagan School District (SD 23) .

The Transition Fair is to support youth with diverse abilities and their caregivers as they plan for adulthood. This event brings together a variety of community agencies, programs, and supports designed to support individuals with diverse abilities to explore future pathways. The fair will give families the chance to meet service providers, ask questions, and learn about programs that support education, employment, community living, recreation, and overall wellbeing.

To view participating organizations and for more information, please click [HERE](#).

We hope that you can join us for this informative and supportive evening focused on connection, learning and future planning.

UPCOMING DATES

Apr 3	Good Friday - NO SCHOOL
Apr 6	Easter Monday - NO SCHOOL
Apr 8	IH Student Wellness Clinics
Apr 9	Youth Transition Resource Fair
Apr 13	Windscares Choral Festival at St. Michael's Church
Apr 14	KSS PAC Zoom Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Apr 16	Quarter 3 Ends
Apr 17	Quarter 4 Begins
Apr 20-24	Ministry Assessments
Apr 22	Post-Secondary Prep #3 in LLC
Apr 22	IH Student Wellness Clinics
Apr 28	National Day of Mourning
Apr 29	Air Band Finals
May 1	Student Written Learning Updates are published
May 15	PROM



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT K.S.S. THIS SUMMER!

The BC Summer Games are coming to Kelowna this July 22 - 26. K.S.S. is an accommodation site for young athletes and we need reliable volunteers to help us create a memorable experience!

For more information and If you are interested in helping out, please see [HERE](#).

Thank you.



April 9, 2026

5-7pm



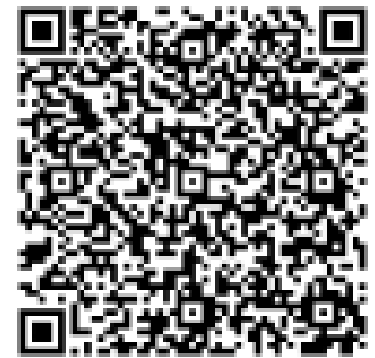
YOUTH TRANSITION RESOURCE FAIR

JOIN US

**Kelowna
Secondary
School
1079 Raymer Ave**

Don't miss this opportunity designed to support individuals with diverse abilities and their families explore future pathways.

Scan the QR code or click the link to see the 30+ community agencies and service providers attending.



CLICK HERE



**Family
Connection
Centre**



Children and Youth with
Support Need Services



**Central Okanagan
Public Schools**
Together We Learn

MINISTRY ASSESSMENTS

Students graduating with a Dogwood Diploma in B.C. are required to complete Numeracy 10, Literacy 10 and Literacy 12 assessments. The Literacy 10 and Math 10 assessments are available to be written in Math 10 Classes and English 10 Classes in November, January, April, and June each year.

Literacy 10 and 12 assessments will be written in classes April 22-23. Numeracy 10 assessments will be written in classes April 21-22.

For students who have missed previous assessments, make up sessions are available on April 20 & 24. Students scheduled for the make-up session will receive an email with the date and time of the assessment.

Please contact Vice-Principal Jeff Prasad for more information at jeff.prasad@sd23.bc.ca.

KSS PARENT PARTICIPATION IN THE STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY 2026

The Student Learning Survey (SLS) has been administered every year in B.C. public schools since 2001 through the Ministry of Education. The SLS provides feedback on the implementation of the curriculum changes, learning environment, student wellness and satisfaction, student belonging and engagement, and career preparation.

For 2026: High school students in grades 10, 11, and 12 will complete the survey; Parents/Guardians/Caregivers of Grade 4, 7, 10, 11, and 12 Students complete the survey; and all Staff associated with a school complete the survey.

To participate the survey KSS parents, please:

1. Click [HERE](#).
2. Under the section Parents enter the following information:
 - a. District: School District 23
 - b. School: Kelowna Secondary
 - c. Language: the language of your choice
3. Complete the survey by clicking on the appropriate circle to answer each question. Move to the next set of questions by clicking on the right arrow in the bottom right corner of the screen. Click on the left arrow to navigate backwards
4. When you are finished the survey, you will get a message "Thank you for sharing your views"

Parent Logon

- Please complete one survey for each child.
- Direct (logon-free) Access (please select one of the options below).

District	[Blank]	▼
School	Please Select District First	▼
Language	English	▼

Logon

Please direct questions to KSS Vice Principal Jeff Prasad at jeff.prasad@sd23.bc.ca

Thank you for your participation.



PROM 2026

KSS Promenade (Grad Walk), followed by KSS Grad Banquet and Dance, is on Friday, May 15, 2026.

We look forward to seeing all graduates and their loved ones for the traditional graduation promenade beginning at the Dolphins Statue, downtown, at 1200 Water Street. Grads MUST be in place at the **Dolphins by 5:00 p.m.** on Friday, May 15. The Promenade Walk will begin at 5:15. The walk will conclude at the pool entrance of The Delta Grand Hotel where the banquet and dance will take place. Grads will be checked in and enter at this location. *Grads must show photo ID to enter.*

New this year - as this is a school event, Grads (and guests) are required to submit a **Field Study Permission Form**. Forms will be available outside of the main office, in front of room 147, and at the school store. **You must hand in a signed Parent Permission Form when you come to buy a ticket.**

PROM TICKET SALES & ELIGIBILITY

KSS Prom tickets will be on sale in **room 147 before and after school April 27, 28, 29 as well as April 30 and May 1 before and after school and lunchtime.** TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AFTER MAY 1st.



Each ticket is \$110.00 and will be sold in person only to Grade 12 students.

Students must have NO outstanding SCHOOL FEES or OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS or TEXTBOOKS in order to purchase Prom tickets!

We strongly suggest that ALL FEES ARE PAID (including \$60 Grad Fee) and books are taken care of prior to April 27th to avoid line-ups! See School Cash Online to pay fees. If a student must pay with debit/credit/cash, they may come to the main office and see the Accounts Clerk. If your family is experiencing financial difficulties, please speak with your Alpha VP regarding outstanding fees.

We are so excited to announce that we will be inviting a *limited* number of non-KSS grads to join us at prom. If your date is a grade 12 student at another school in the Okanagan, they may purchase a prom ticket on May 4th, beginning at 7:30 a.m. in room 147. We will have 50 tickets available for non-KSS students that are a guest of a KSS Grad. When purchasing their ticket, a guest must be with a KSS Grad student, show their valid student ID, hand in a signed Parent Permission Form and provide the name/email of a staff member at their school that will verify good standing. Guest tickets will be sold on a first come-first served basis as above.

Kelowna Secondary School

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Dear community member,

On behalf of the graduating class of 2026 and this year's grad council at Kelowna Secondary School, we would like to request donations to help fund and execute this year's upcoming graduation/prom. With such a large graduating class, the PAC, grad council, as well as staff at KSS have taken on the large task of planning this event. Any donations would be put towards helping lower the cost of each student's admission into the event, but could also be used towards the expenses of the event itself. Some of the expenses include food, entertainment (music and photography), decorations, and the venue rental.

Donations can be made to cover or lower the cost of specific items or can be given for general use. Alternatively, you can choose to cover the cost of a prom ticket for a student who might not be able to afford it otherwise. Ticket costs are anticipated to be \$100 per student. All funds donated will go entirely towards putting together an unforgettable event for our grad class.

Tax receipts can be provided if your donation is made through the Central Okanagan School District's website SCHOOL CASH ONLINE. You can register/log into this site and select the button Make A Donation, select an amount for your donation, choose KELOWNA SECONDARY as the Fund Destination, and add KSS PROM to the Message to School Board to ensure your donation is added to our event. If you do not require a tax receipt, a cheque can be made to KELOWNA SECONDARY SCHOOL attention KSS PROM.

<https://centralokanagan.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/56/15/false/true>

Any help would be greatly appreciated, as it would help ensure that every student has the opportunity to attend the event at a minimal cost to all and make it a memorable night for our grads.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Daniel Ragobar (Graduation Co-Coordinator) at Daniel.Ragobar@sd23.bc.ca

Sincerely,
KSS Grad Class of 2026

Parents can donate to KSS through School Cash Online. Below are the steps with screen shots. Let me know if this doesn't make sense to you.

Once logged in, a donor will choose the **Make A Donation** button.

Central Okanagan School DistrictShow All Items

Item Name	Price	Due Date	Status
Grade 12 Parking Pass - 2022/2023 Grade 12 Parking Pass	\$10.00	Jun 30/23	Optional

- Under Gift Information, the donor can choose the amount of their donation
- In the Fund Destination they choose Kelowna Secondary in the drop down menu.
- It is also important that donors write in the message box that this is a KSS Prom Donation.

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)*



PROM COMMITTEE FUNDRAISERS

Adventure is calling... and it's for a GREAT cause!

The KSS Parent Prom Committee 2026 is hosting an Online Adventure Raffle to help make prom night absolutely unforgettable. Grab your tickets, cross those fingers, and get ready—you could be heading off on your next adventure!

Raffle Dates

March 23 – April 22

Epic Prizes Up for Grabs!



Grand Prize

Snowmobile Adventure with Outback Snowmobile Tours

Value: \$700

2nd Prize

4 Adventure Passes from Revelstoke Mountain Resort

Value: \$316



3rd Prize

Stay at Montana Hill Guest Ranch

Value: \$200

Ticket Prices (aka your chance at adventure!)

1 for \$10 or 3 for \$20 (because one is never enough)



Snag your tickets HERE!



Winner Draw: *The lucky winner will be drawn LIVE at 8:00 PM during our 2nd Pub Night at Railside Brewing on April 22!*

Don't wait—this adventure won't wait for you!

Every ticket helps support KSS Prom 2026, so you're not just winning... you're making magic happen! Buy your tickets, share with your crew, and let the adventure begin!

Thanks,
KSS Parent Prom Committee

To Donate your bottles toward Grad - Use Code: 250-826-9523

Local Return-It Express Stations

Simply bring your containers to the depot in sealed, TRANSPARENT BLUE or CLEAR BAGS, and enter the KSS grad number at the Express kiosk.



Immunization Catch-Up Opportunity for Grade 12 Students

To students & their parents, guardians or representatives:

Interior Health is offering additional opportunities for Grade 12 students to review and update their immunizations through Drop-In Wellness Clinics. The purpose of these clinics is to provide students with an opportunity to get caught up on any routine childhood immunizations they may be missing and to speak with a Public Health Nurse if they have questions.

Grade 12 students are encouraged to review their immunization status. Use your smartphone camera to scan the QR code or open a browser and go to: <https://www.healthgateway.gov.bc.ca/>



If your student is not fully immunized, we encourage families to review their records and discuss whether to take advantage of this opportunity to become up to date before graduation. Students who are not up to date with their routine childhood immunizations are welcome to visit their school Public Health Nurse during scheduled Wellness Clinic times (see below).

During clinic times, Public Health Nurses will also be available to speak with students and answer questions about immunizations or other Public Health services.

- COVID-19 and Influenza vaccines will not be offered at these clinics.
- Students in Grades 10, 11, and 12 may receive immunizations under Mature Minor Consent legislation.

Wellness Clinic Schedules:

Kelowna Secondary School (KSS)

9:15 AM – 12:15 PM
2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month

Okanagan Mission Secondary (OKM)

9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
2nd and 3rd Thursday of each month

Central School

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM
1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month

Rutland Senior Secondary (RSS)

11:30 AM – 2:30 PM
2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month

George Elliot Secondary (GESS)

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
1st and 3rd Friday of each month

Mount Boucherie Secondary School (MBSS)

11:45 AM – 1:00 PM
Every Thursday

About Mature Minor Consent (MMC)

Students in Grades 10, 11, and 12 can provide Mature Minor Consent (MMC) to immunization as per the legislation under the Infants Act. MMC stipulates that a youth who demonstrates an understanding of the benefits and risks of a health service can consent to or refuse that service independent of a parent or representative.

Additional information is available at:

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/infants-act-mature-minor-consent-and-immunization>

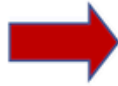
Grade 12: Class of 2026

POST-SECONDARY PREPARATION

KSS will be offering grade 12 students 3 optional POST SECONDARY PREPARATION SESSIONS (PSP) to help prepare for education after high school!

PSP #1

OCT. 22 & 23
11:30 am
KSS LIBRARY



- ✓ Getting Organized
- ✓ Transcripts
- ✓ Entrance Requirements
- ✓ How to apply

PSP #2

NOV. 25 & 26
11:30 am
KSS LIBRARY and



- ✓ Funding
- ✓ Central Okanagan Bursary & Scholarship Society: COBSS
- ✓ Scholarships / Awards

PSP #3

April 22
11:30 am
KSS LIBRARY



- ✓ Post-secondary calendar
- ✓ Updates & deposits
- ✓ Course planning
- ✓ Course registration

The sessions are identical. Please plan to attend during your spare to avoid missing class time.

If you must miss class time, plan ahead with your teacher, early class dismissal required.

Presentations will be posted on the KSS website for further information.

NEED HELP WITH **MATH & SCIENCE?**
COME TO **ROOM 284**
TUESDAY MORNINGS 8-9AM
MS. DRESCHER CAN HELP!
SCIENCE MATH
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School of Engineering
Okanagan Campus

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A Glimpse of Geering Up Camps

- Weekly programming from June 29th to September 3rd, 2026
- 9AM - 3PM (Before/After Care options available)
- UBC Okanagan, Kelowna Campus
- Grade Levels: 1-12 (Program themes vary)

Register Today!

For more info, visit:
bit.ly/kelownacamps

SCENT AWARENESS ZONE

Help us keep the air we share healthy and fragrance-free

The chemicals used in scented products can make some people sick, especially those with fragrance sensitivities, asthma, allergies and other medical conditions.

please
do not wear perfume, cologne, aftershave and other fragrances.
use unscented personal care