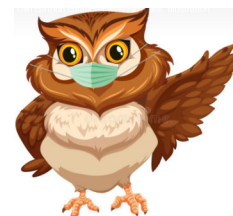




Whoo's News



October 16, 2020

2020-2021 OVERVIEW – Semester 1



	Semester 1			
	Quarter 1		Quarter 2	
	09/10 – 10/08	10/13 – 11/13	11/16 – 12/11	12/14 – 01/28
AM	1	3	2	4
PM	3	1	4	2

A reminder for parents and students to refer to the KSS Calendar and Website for the most up-to-date information. Earlier this week we rotated to Term 2 which runs until November 12 with Block 3 in the morning and Block 1 in the afternoon with A and B Groupings. Please see above for the rotation dates for Terms 1 to 4.



The District Needs Your Input!

Surveys to inform development of the Long Term Facilities Plan are now open. The District encourages staff, parents, and community members to review its [comprehensive consultation website](#) to find out more about the District's facilities, enrollment projections, and challenges that it is striving to address in its updated plan.

The District wants to hear from all interested parties and has created three surveys to collect community feedback on the overall plan and the two emergent issues. These surveys will be open until October 21, 2020 and will inform the recommendations presented to the Board of Education.

- Survey 1: [Feedback on overall plan](#)

After reviewing the District's current facilities situation, what are your thoughts, solutions and concerns that the school district may take under consideration for facilities and boundaries to meet the present and future needs of your school community?

- Survey 2: [Feedback on Kelowna Secondary School](#)

After reviewing the District's current facilities situation, what are your thoughts, solutions and concerns that the school district may take under consideration to ensure Kelowna Secondary enrollments do not exceed the capacity of the school for next year and beyond?

- Survey 3: [Feedback on French Immersion Programming in Lake Country](#)

After reviewing the District's current facilities situation, what are your thoughts, solutions and concerns that the school district may take under consideration when evaluating the feasibility of a French Immersion program at HS Grenda Middle School?

Please Mark Your Calendar:

October 23	Teacher Professional Day - students do not attend.
November 26	Report Cards sent home with students
December 11	Term 3 (Q2) Ends
December 14	Term 4 (Q3) Begins (Block 4 in the a.m. and Block 2 in the p.m. with group A/B rotations)



SD23 District Student Council

Are you interested in representing students in your grade at a school district level? Join the Student District Council (DSC). We're looking to make a diverse council, dedicated to representing the voices of youth and improving student life.

We meet the first Monday of the month from 4:15pm-5:45pm at the School Board Office on Hollywood Road.

Our mission is to create a connection between the students and the Board of Education, advocate for the betterment of student life, assume an active leadership role on behalf of the students, and to promote positive relationships and camaraderie between schools.

We're looking for representatives from grade 10-12.

Applications are due October 19th.

[Google Application form](#)

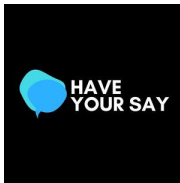
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be a leader.

Students, are you working in the trades??

If you are a high school student 15 years of age and over working in a trade, you may be eligible to participate in the ITA Youth Work Program while in high school and be eligible for a **\$1000 financial award and credits towards graduation.**

If you are interested in signing up for this amazing opportunity, please contact the Dual Credit Program at 250-469-6455 or by email at dualcredit@sd23.bc.ca



ATTENTION KSS PARENTS AND GUARDIANS:

The October PAC meeting has been changed to **Tuesday October 20th**, at **6:30 pm via Zoom**. We will be discussing the 2020-2021 PAC budget.

If you would like to attend, and did not already send a request for our first meeting, please email the PAC at: kss.pac@sd23.bc.ca

We hope to see you there!

zoom

Lady of The Lake

We are hosting two information nights which interested individuals may attend.

The first is being held October 19th at 7 pm at Kelowna Bible Chapel, the second is online (via Zoom) being held on October 26th at 7pm.

We are focused on teaching young women in Kelowna the leadership skills they need to empower themselves and gain opportunity for their future. The Lady of the Lake candidacy program is six months of weekly training sessions from January to July. Our program is completely free because of our community sponsors.

The training focuses on:

- public speaking
- car maintenance
- building self-confidence
- nutrition
- financial management
- self defense
- networking
- area knowledge and Okanagan tourism
- and so much more!

During the six months, the candidates participate in countless volunteer events across the community. Where they are able to gain volunteer hours for school. At the end we also give away 7 different bursaries to our candidates. (Value between \$500 and \$1000)

Our program is open to any young woman living in the Kelowna area between the ages of 16 and 18.

Any person who may be interested can either contact me (kaitlyn_678@hotmail.com) or Randi Peters

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=NSRtRGthdGM4MDkvbFZDQ1NBbmF2dz09>

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/u/gc3uHCJ2w6>

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

Unable to attend the PSIBC Virtual Fair? You can do independent post-secondary research and reach out to recruiters directly on the institution's website.

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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	
	Check link for updates on session times	
University of Calgary – Virtual Open House	Oct. 3 @ 10 am -3 pm	https://www.ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate/events/open-house
University of Alberta – variety of virtual events	Varies – check link for session times	https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions/undergraduate/tours-and-events/index.html?

Here is a list of the links to local and larger Western Canadian post-secondary schools' virtual info sessions as listed on their websites. Please note that students may have to register for these events prior to the sessions.



Move For Mana IT'S BACK!



Hi there KSS students, parents, and guardians! Did you know that according to recent UNICEF numbers, an estimated 16,000,000 children under the age of 5 years old around the world suffer from Severe Acute Malnutrition? These numbers have also been seen to be spiking across the globe due to the distress of the Covid-19 pandemic. This is where an initiative called Move4MANA enters. The Move4MANA Challenge is an initiative meant to inspire kids to get active in order to help spread awareness and create resources for those suffering from Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM). It is our goal to help lessen this number of starving kids and help them have a chance at a bright future. The initiative is simple, through the app Active For Good, we ask students to log their activity daily which takes less than 5 minutes. That activity is then calculated into Good Points and after a certain amount of Good Points, it will equal one RUTF packet. RUTF stands for Ready to Use Therapeutic Food and is a vitamin and protein packed peanut based food product that will be delivered to our target country after the challenge is over. Kids suffering from SAM that consumed this product three times a day for six weeks saw a dramatic increase in overall health and well-being. As this is the second year we are bringing this challenge to KSS, the results from last year's challenge were truly amazing. As a community, KSS saved 300 lives last year and we are aiming to save even more lives this year. This all depends on our involvement, so please help us help the world

LET'S GO OWLS!

GATEWAY TO TECH

Are you interested in increasing your technology skills?
Do you want to know more about career opportunities
in technology and coding? This program will provide
you with skills and knowledge related to the growing
technology sector.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- Free training offered by Okanagan College and your local School District
- Attend classes two evenings per week synchronously and asynchronously online, through Okanagan College's platform Moodle
- Learn skills related to a variety of careers in the Information Technology Sector
- Taught by industry professionals
- Gain hands-on skills directly related to IT Essentials and Mobile Coding

OCTOBER 29 – INTRO DAY

Classes start Nov. 3

Classes end March 11

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5 – 8:30 p.m.

Online delivery

FREE for grade 10 – 12 students interested in technology and coding

Students will receive four credits for a grade 12 elective course

Space is limited!

Contact your Career Coordinator for more information and to register for the program.



CONTINUING STUDIES

‘in**the**know’

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.

PARENTING WHEN OUR KIDS CAN'T GO TO SCHOOL

Parenting when our kids won't (or can't) go to school is hard for everyone; mental health challenges can be what is creating the barrier to them attending. This is hard and complex – we talk about the pieces we have some control over, remembering how much relationships matter, and who we can look to for support.

Registration Required:
<https://www.gotostage.com/channel/intheknow>

Communities: Penticton, Kelowna, Vernon,
Edmonton

Cost: Free of Charge

Date: Wednesday, October 28, 2020 – 6:00 PM

Discussion facilitated by FamilySmart Parent in
Residence

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

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



Sustainability for our Future All Girls* Event



High School Senior Girls!

Interested in learning how we can use engineering to help move the world towards a sustainable future? Join us and learn how to use the engineering design cycle to create solutions that will directly impact future generations.

All-Girls* Virtual Event

Grade 12

October 29th, 2020

4pm-6pm PDT

Register now for this

Free event:

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

"If you have a boy that is interested in similar programming, we highly encourage you to explore Geering Up and UBC Engineering events. As well, please be aware that we have an inclusive view of the word "girl" and we welcome trans, genderqueer and non-binary folks interested in these workshops."

YOU BELONG

AT DALHOUSIE

Thursday Oct. 22 @ 5:00pm
Join Zoom with link below

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84968197509>

DALHOUSIE
UNIVERSITY | DAL.CA

Dalhousie University in Halifax is having a the virtual presentation scheduled for **Thursday October 22nd** at 5:00pm Pacific time. Here is the Zoom link for the event:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84968197509>