



Whoo's News



January 19, 2024

2024 - 2025 COURSE REQUESTS



Course planning for next year:

- ⇒ Important dates are listed below under “Upcoming Dates” .
- ⇒ **Parent information sessions are being offered** (*no need to RSVP*).
- ⇒ Updated information is on the [KSS Calendar](#) on the KSS Website.
- ⇒ KSS Course [Viewbook](#) and Course Request Planning Sheets are on the KSS Website (under “About”).
- ⇒ **Course Requests are online only via MyEd Student Portal.**

2024-2025 Course Requests DEADLINES:

- * **Grad 2027 (incoming Gr 10) Course Requests are DUE Friday, February 23 at midnight.**
- * **Grad 2025 (incoming Gr 12) and Grad 2026 (incoming Gr 11) Course Requests are DUE Wednesday, March 6 at midnight.**

Upcoming Dates . .

Jan 22-26	Ministry Assessment Week	MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
Jan 26	Semester 1 / Quarter 2 Ends	
Jan 29	Semester Turnaround—NO SCHOOL	
Jan 29	2024-2025 Online Enrollment Applications open	
Feb 1—3	Western Canada Basketball Tournament	
Feb 9	Student Written Learning Updates (<i>report cards</i>) are published to MyEd Student Portal	
Feb 13	KSS PAC Meeting via Zoom at 6:30 p.m.	
Feb 13	Grad 2027 (incoming Gr 10) Parent Course Information Session in KSS MPR at 6:00 p.m.	
Feb 13	Grad 2027 (incoming Gr 10) Pre-AP Math 10 Parent Information Session in KSS MPR at 7:00 p.m.	
Feb 14	Grad 2025 (Gr 11) & Grad 2026 (Gr 10) Course Request Assemblies in the afternoon	
Feb 16	PRO-D Day—NO SCHOOL	IMPORTANT!
Feb 19	Family Day—NO SCHOOL	
Feb 21-22	Interim Reports go home	
Feb 22	Grad 2025 (Gr 11) & Grad 2026 (Gr 10) Parent Course Information Session VIA ZOOM at 6:00 p.m.	
Feb 23	2024-2025 Course Requests DUE via MyEd for Grad 2027 (incoming Gr 10)	
Mar 6	2024-2025 Course Requests DUE via MyEd for Grad 2025 (Gr 11) & Grad 2026 (Gr 10)	
Mar 6	Parent-Teacher Conferences—Dismissal at 1:30 p.m.	

KSS ATHLETICS

Please go to KSS Athletics website (on KSS website) for all athletic/team information and gym schedule.
Link is [HERE](#).

grad KSS 2024

KSS GRAD SPIRIT WEAR !

The official grad clothing store is back open
and will close on January 31st.

Don't wait! Order [HERE](#)



GRAD PHOTOS



Retakes and make-up sessions

Please use the google form below to sign up for a time to get grad photo retakes or, if photos in December were missed, this is your chance to get a grad portrait taken.

Note that these are NOT full 16-pose sessions like they were before winter break. These photos will only be the cap-and-gown portrait style photos you will see in the yearbook.

SIGN UP [HERE](#)

Career Centre News

Upcoming Post-Secondary Events!

Experience UBC-O: Tuesday, February 20th

Experience OC: Thursday, May 2nd

Career-Life Programs is excited to have students attend these events that will allow them to spend time exploring the campuses as well as meet professors and current students to learn more about post-secondary education. There will be many faculties available to speak to students and offer details about what to expect from those focus areas as well as answer questions.

UPCOMING POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION VISITS

Date	PSI Name	Time	Location
Monday Feb. 12 th	NAIT (Northern Alberta Institute of Technology)	11:30 - 12:30	MPR

PLANNING FOR WINTER WEATHER

With the cooler weather heading into Semester 2, space indoors is at a premium. That includes indoor spaces at Okanagan College. While OC welcomes our students to purchase food and pass through, there are constraints with the space available and they need to reserve their space for their students.

Many of our classroom doors are open at lunch at KSS for student use. We also have our multipurpose room and library available for KSS students at lunch.

A reminder to everyone to dress warmly in the cooler temperatures.



VOLUNTEER AT YLW

Jr. Ambassador Program

In partnership with Central Okanagan Public Schools, YLW launched the Junior Ambassador Program in the summer of 2010. High School students in grade 10-12 at Central Okanagan Public Schools can earn their volunteer hours while gaining exposure to career opportunities in the aviation industry.

Volunteer work will center on customer service. Students will assist individuals by answering questions about the Airport and the community. Junior Ambassadors will greet guests and assist passengers in need as they enter and exit the airport, always maintaining a high level of professional customer service.

Volunteer hours are flexible, and shifts are available on weekdays and weekends. Students will be expected to commit to one 4-hour shift per week for a minimum of four months. Students must be able to provide their own transportation to and from their volunteer shifts (parking is free for volunteers).

For more information about the YLW Junior Ambassador Program and to pick up an application form, please visit the KSS Careers Office. **Spring 2024 registration deadline is Friday, February 2, 2024.**



From the KSS Prom Committee:

PROM 2024



Grade 12 parents, be sure to join the KSS Prom 2024 Parent Facebook Group, Facebook Page and Instagram page to stay up to date on communications from the Parent Prom Committee regarding fundraising and how you can contribute towards Prom! This support will ensure that all students can enjoy a night they will never forget!

Follow “**kssprom2024**” on Instagram
and



“**KSS Prom 2024**” & “**KSS Prom 2024 - Parents Group**” on Facebook



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.

THE NEXT KSS PAC MEETING IS

Tuesday, February 13 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.

There is no meeting in March. The April meeting is Tuesday, April 9 at 6:30 and will be via Zoom. May is the AGM and the election of the 2024-2025 PAC.

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](#).

Are you the parent or guardian of a student graduating in 2024?

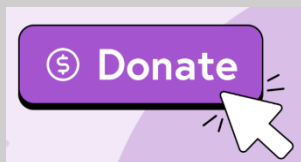
Planning for the *KSS Prom 2024* is underway and we need your help to ensure *Prom 2024* is affordable for all students and their families. The fundraising campaign has begun and in the spirit of the giving season, we encourage you to make your donation today! All donations will receive a tax receipt.



The more we raise the less ALL grads will pay for their Prom 2024!

The estimated cost per grad (without fundraising) is \$175 and will include a beautiful meal at the Delta Grand Hotel, DJ Invisible with the Flyin' Hawaiian spinning tunes, Flash and Frame providing many photo opportunities including a colour booth, the Glam booth, selfie stations and the 360-rotating booth. We have also arranged for an event photographer to capture those fun, spontaneous moments of the night!

This evening will ensure all grads have an opportunity to create memories to last a lifetime!



Donating is simple, scan the QR code or go to the donation page on your school cash online account.



Be sure to note KSS Prom 2024 in the 'Message to School Board' box after clicking Donation for Kelowna Secondary. This will ensure your donation goes to help reduce the costs of Prom. If you do not denote this message, your gift will go to general revenue!

Fund Destination:

Message to School Board	
Message: (Optional)	KSS PROM

Thank You

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Any questions please email ksspromcommittee@gmail.com



**Central Okanagan
Public Schools**
Together We Learn

**French Immersion Kindergarten
Informational Session:**
Tuesday, January 16, 2024
@ 6:00-7:00 pm
sd23.org/french-immersion-session

**ONLINE APPLICATION for STUDENT ENROLLMENT begins on
Monday, January 29, 2024, at 7:00 am for 2024 - 2025 School Year**
(for kindergarten, new students, and Programs of Choice for K – 12)

Schools will be open at 7:00 am to provide telephone support to parents that require assistance.
Documentation Submission Deadline: **Friday, March 15, 2024**

If you are new to Canada, please contact the Welcome Centre for enrollment information at (250)470-3258

HOW TO APPLY

PLEASE NOTE: *The application process is online only. You are required to have a valid email account.*

In your web browser type: <https://enrollment.sd23.bc.ca>

No internet access? Please contact your school for assistance.

Online applications begin on Monday, January 29, 2024 at 7:00 am. Applications will be assigned a date-time stamp on a first-come, first-served basis, which will factor into a student's placement priority.

Complete the online application as early as possible, and provide the required documents listed below directly to the school in person or by email by **Friday, March 15, 2024**.

1. Student's **Birth Certificate** or other government issued proof of age and citizenship.
2. **Proof of Parent/Guardian B.C. Residency**
 - a. Combination BC Driver's License and Services Card (copy of both sides); or,
 - b. BC Services Card (copy of both sides) **and** one item from the list of supporting documentation below; or,
 - c. Proof of application for BC Medical Services Plan and one item from the list of supporting documentation below.
3. **Proof of Parent/Guardian Living Address/Supporting Documentation**
 - Ownership of a dwelling or long-term lease or rental of a dwelling;
 - Documentation indicating British Columbia residence (i.e. utility bill);
 - British Columbia registration of an automobile;
 - British Columbia Driver's License (copy of both sides); or,
 - A current income tax return filed as a British Columbia resident.

AFTER Thursday, August 29, 2024

New in-catchment area enrollments: Parents will be notified by a confirmation email when the school has accepted the student's application for enrollment. Board Policy 405R – Student Placement (Regulations), will be used to determine student placement and priority.

New out-of-catchment area enrollments: Parents may not be notified until after the summer enrollment period is over and all in-catchment area students have been placed.

Qualifying age: The School Act requires that a child must be five years of age by December 31, 2024, to qualify for school enrollment in September 2024. No exceptions.

For further information, please visit the School District website www.sd23.bc.ca or call (250) 860-8888.