



École Kelowna Secondary School

Whoo's News

May 30, 2025

CONVOCATION 2025

Grads—it's almost time to cross the stage!

On **Saturday, June 7th**, KSS will have two separate Graduation Ceremonies in the KSS Gym. The ceremonies are split by alpha last name as follows:

A through L: Ceremony begins at **10:30 a.m.**

M through Z: Ceremony begins at **2:30 p.m.**

**** Grads - arrive 45 minutes prior to ceremony start! ****

Convocation Tickets were handed out when grad gowns were picked up. **Tickets must be shown at the door. Main doors will open 30 minutes prior to each ceremony start.**

Guests are expected to remain for the entire ceremony in order to honour all graduates and minimize disruption.

LIVESTREAM LINK IS [HERE](#)

Upcoming dates . .

May 31-Jun 6	Go By Bike Week
Jun 2	Music Concert—Klassen, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in MPR
Jun 3	Music Concert—French, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in Gym
Jun 9-13	Core Competencies
Jun 10	Health Nurse Wellness Clinics in Career Ctr
Jun 11	KSS Carnival
Jun 11	AP Banquet (tickets are pre-sold)
Jun 12	Indigenous Graduation 4:45 p.m.—9:30 p.m. in Gym
Jun 12	Jazz at the Laurel
Jun 14	Choral Concert at St. Michael's Cathedral
Jun 18	Locker Clean Out
Jun 20	Semester 2 / Quarter 4 Ends
Jun 21	National Indigenous People's Day
Jun 23-25	"I" Days
Jun 26	Homeroom at 9:00 a.m., for:
	Final Student Written Learning Updates &
	2025-2026 Student Schedules (Gr 10&11)



Dear KSS parents,

As we approach the last month of school we are asking you to help us reinforce the importance of in-class attendance and keeping efforts up in classes right until the end.

Thank you from KSS!

STUDENT HOMEROOM ON JUNE 26

Students are expected to attend homeroom on **Thursday, June 26 at 9:00 a.m.** to pick up their final **Student Written Learning Update** (report card). These are not emailed or mailed.

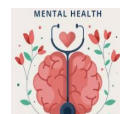
2025-2026 Student Schedules will also be distributed for next year Grade 11 & 12 students.

There will be an opportunity for students to hand in books and pay fees prior to WLU pick-up.

Buses will be running. Bus departure from KSS is at 11:00 a.m.

Students that do not attend Homeroom on June 26th at 9:00 a.m. may come to the main office July 2-4 to pick up their WLU.

Course Change Requests will take place in August. Information will be available on the KSS Website mid-summer.



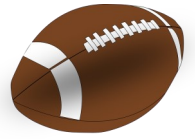
Mental Health Memo from your counsellors

Just because you feel afraid doesn't mean you can't do it.



2025 FOOTBALL REGISTRATION

FOOTBALL REGISTRATION HAS STARTED!



KSS students who are currently in Grade 10 and Grade 11 and are interested in playing football for the 2025 season and participating in our Spring Camp in June 2025, please review and fill out the **2025 KSS Football Registration Form**. Important dates are included in the registration package.

The registration package may be found on the KSS Website, Students, KSS Football. Link is [HERE](#).

Questions may be directed to:

Mr. Bennett, Teacher Sponsor

rob.bennett@sd23.bc.ca



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GOOD LUCK TO KSS TEAMS AT PROVINCIALS!
GOOOOOOOOOO OWLLLLLLLLLLLLLS!

KSS ATHLETICS

For updates, and Athletic calendar, see KSS Athletics on the KSS Website.

- ⇒ KSS Website
- ⇒ Students side tab
- ⇒ Athletics

Link is [HERE](#)





Thank
You



*KSS Field Hockey would like to extend sincere gratitude to the following
companies for their support:*

DKL Financial Services
Multi-Power
Central City Management
Ok Health & Performance
Strong Roots
The Alpha Clinic
Tyler Bouck
Movement Okanagan
The Rockets
Sewa Immigration Consulting
Fawdry Homes
A2D Autobody & Detailing
Real Canadian Superstore
Advance Dental
Truly Skin Care
Teal Lotus Massage Therapy
Tore Jacobsen—Macdonald Realty

Skuka
Kelowna Pet Resort
Ok Orthodontics
Prestige Hotels
Emil Anderson
Team Simpson
Russell Electric
Big White
Sandman Hotel
Arlo's Honey Farm
Haywood Securities
Global Gym
Browns Socialhouse
Cherry Hill Coffee
Sonic Wash
Solar Center Store

STUDY ABROAD

The Youth Exchange Scholarship
provided by your local Rotary Club



Valued at over \$24,000: Room, board, tuition, and monthly stipend for a high school year abroad.

HAVE YOU EVER DREAMED OF...

- ▶ TRAVELING THE WORLD?
- ▶ LIVING IN ANOTHER COUNTRY?
- ▶ BEING FLUENT IN ANOTHER LANGUAGE?

The Youth Exchange Scholarship for one academic year covers room, board, tuition, and a monthly stipend. The student/family pays for airfare, medical insurance, personal and optional expenses.

The Youth Exchange Scholarships are made possible by the generosity of our Rotary partners overseas and local Rotary clubs. Students must be in grade 9, 10 or 11 to apply.



JAPAN

Spring
2026

Save \$125

Enrol before Dec. 31, 2024 to take
advantage of this exclusive offer.



Scan to enrol & for tour info

<https://www.eftours.ca/tour-website/2750090JU>



EDUCATIONAL
TOURS

- Contact Ms. Brenda Gallagher at brenda.gallagher@sd23.bc.ca
- Enjoy 9 days in Japan in March 2026
- Visit Tokyo, Kyoto, Osaka, Hiroshima, & more!
- Flights, transportation, hotel, & 2 meals per day included.





MONTHLY INFORMATION SESSION

School of Business

Join the Business Faculty and Future Student Advisors every third Thursday of the month from 12 - 1 p.m.

Discover our programs, specializations, travel opportunities, admission requirements, student clubs, tuition, financial aid, and more!

**Every 3rd Thursday of the month,
12 - 1 p.m.**

May 15 - Nov. 20

For more information,

Contact: AskOC@okanagan.bc.ca

250-862-5656

RSVP Here: ►

OCBusinessInfoSession.eventbrite.ca



Grow your family this fall!

Join the growing community of Central Okanagan families hosting international students!

- Full-year or single semester
- Students arrive Sept. 2025
- Secondary students only
- \$1,100/month per student

Apply today!



homestay@sd23.bc.ca



 **KSS MUSIC PRESENTS**
JOHN LEE

JAZZ AT
ST. MICHAEL'S
FEATURING THE JOHN LEE TRIO

FRIDAY, MAY 30TH
7:00PM Doors open at 6:30

ARTISTS
John Lee - Guitar
Kosma Busheikin - Bass
Graham Villette - Drums



ADULTS: \$20
STUDENTS: \$10

Tickets available for purchase at the door, through KSS Music students or @sheila.french@sd23.bc.ca



KELOWNA SECONDARY SCHOOL

MUSIC DIRECTOR SHEILA FRENCH

PRESENTS



SING OUT
KELOWNA

CELEBRATING YOUTH & MUSIC EDUCATION

JUNE 20, 2025

12:30 PM & 7 PM

KELOWNA COMMUNITY THEATRE

TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR 7PM SHOW ONLY, THROUGH PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS OR AT THE DOOR



We Don't Want You to Sell Anything!

But we still need your help

Dear Parents/guardians.

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 2025 graduates. Any funds beyond our goal will be held in a PAC scholarship account for future years!

How to donate

We have decided to use the school district donation option this year for our scholarship/bursary fund. It allows us to keep all of the money that you donate, rather than having to pay platform fees, and gives you a tax receipt. **WIN-WIN!**

Steps:

1. Go to www.schoolcashionline.com and sign in using your credentials that you pay your school fees with
2. Click *Make a Donation* to open the donation form
3. Choose *Kelowna Secondary*
4. In the message box write *PAC Scholarship Fund*
5. *Add to Cart* to go to the payment page

With your support, we can empower the next generation of leaders, thinkers, and changemakers.