



Whoo's News



January 14, 2022

CAPSTONE PRESENTATION/EARLY DISMISSAL – Jan 19th, 2022

Kelowna Secondary School's Capstone #1 Presentations will be held on January 19th for those students in Grade 12 who are taking Careers 12 in Q1 and Q2.

Capstone #2 Presentations will be on June 1st for those students in Grade 12 who are taking Careers 12 in Q3 and Q4. Capstone is a graduation requirement.

Grade 12 students will Zoom with their assigned teacher from home to present their Capstone. The assigned teacher will send a zoom link to their Capstone student using the student@learn google accounts.

School will end at 12:30 pm on this day **for all students** and busses will leave KSS shortly after.

Schedule for Jan 19th, 2022

9:00 – 10:45 am	Block 3-4
10:45 – 12:30 pm	Block 1-2

The Capstone Session will run from 1:30 pm – 3:16 pm. Your students session will be 15 minutes long within this time period.

Students with any questions should contact:

Mr. Parmar (harry.parmar@sd23.bc.ca) or Mr. Sodaro (tony.sodaro@sd23.bc.ca).

Upcoming Dates:

January 19	Capstone—Early Release at 12:30 pm
January 27	Last day of Semester 1/Quarter 2 Classes
January 28	Turn-around Day—No Students at School
January 31	First day of Semester 2/Quarter 3 Classes



Please see page two for our full KSS Student Communicable Disease Prevention Plan

Grad Photo Update:

Due to changing Covid circumstances, parents and friends from outside our KSS student body are not permitted inside the school during grad photos. Current KSS students may take photos together to a maximum of three people, including the graduate. Masks must be worn at all times unless grads are having their photo taken. Parents/friends may not enter the school to hold props, pets etc. Thanks so much for your understanding!





Kelowna Secondary School

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SUBJECT: KSS Communicable Disease Prevention Plan – **STUDENTS**

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 4, 2022

We are currently following the Provincial COVID-19 Communicable Disease Guidelines for K-12 Settings

- **Use hand sanitizer or wash hands upon entry to KSS** and regularly throughout the day.
- No gatherings larger than 50% operating capacity. No spectators.
- **Routine daily health check (self-screening)** – continue this. Do not enter KSS if you answer 'yes' to any of the symptoms on the [Daily Health Check](#)
- **Non-medical masks are required in all indoor areas**
 - *Even while seated*
 - *Except when eating / drinking (must be properly physically distanced)*
- **No Food / Drink consumption in hallways** (ie: *masks must stay on*)
- **MPR closed for eating / sitting / visiting** (*except for meetings with counsellors*)
- **Washroom capacity limits** will be posted (4 per student washroom downstairs, 2 per student washroom upstairs, and 1 per universal washroom) *reminder to wear mask in washroom
- **PE changeroom capacity** limited to one class at a time
- **Lunch Break:**
 - Students may go to a classroom for lunch, or walk outdoors
 - Library is open (observe maximum capacity of 50)
 - MPR is closed
- **Okanagan College** – no KSS student access at this time. Students may pass through, but must continue on their way, or wait at the bus stop, but may not hang out.
- **Food:** No sharing of homemade food / baked goods
- **Sharing of educational tools:** sanitize hands after using shared items.
- **Elevator:** Maximum two occupants only & must wear masks.
- **What if someone is feeling sick while at school?** The individual may be asked to go home.

Please refer to the updated District Communicable Disease Plan and continue to follow local health guidelines.

DAILY HEALTH CHECK

KEY SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS	WHAT TO DO
Fever (above 38°C)	If yes to 1 or more of these symptoms: Stay home. Contact a health care provider or call 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.
Chills	
Cough	
Difficulty breathing	
Loss of sense of smell or taste	
OTHER SYMPTOMS	WHAT TO DO
Sore throat	If yes to 1 symptom: Stay home until you feel better.
Loss of appetite	
Headache	If yes to 2 or more of these symptoms: Stay home for 24 hours. If symptoms don't get better or get worse, contact a health care provider or call 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.
Body aches	
Extreme fatigue or tiredness	
Nausea or vomiting	
Diarrhea	
INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL:	WHAT TO DO
Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	If yes: Fully vaccinated students, staff and other adults who have travelled outside of Canada may qualify for the fully vaccinated traveller exemption . Students, staff and other adults who are not fully vaccinated and have travelled outside of Canada CANNOT attend school for 14 days after arrival , as part of federal requirements .
CLOSE CONTACT	WHAT TO DO
Have you been notified by public health that you are a close contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	If yes: Follow the instructions provided by Public Health.

You can also check your symptoms with the [K-12 Health Check](#) or the [BC Self-Assessment Tool](#).

Call 8-1-1 with any questions about symptoms of illness. If you have severe symptoms, like difficulty breathing (struggling to breathe or you can only speak single words) or chest pain, call 9-1-1 or go to the nearest Emergency Department.

Visit the [BC Centre for Disease Control website](#) for more information on COVID-19.

STUDENT INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING TO THE CENTRAL OKANAGAN BURSARY and SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY (COBSS)

The application is available on line at: www.cobss.ca and then follow the "Student Online Application" link. As well, the PowerPoint presentation given at all COBSS member secondary schools is available to review on the COBSS website or on the KSS Grad Google Classroom – code 4d4whlt

The online application opens on **Nov. 30, 2021** and closes at 11:59 pm on **Jan. 18th, 2022**.
Paper applications are due to the KSS counselling centre by 9:00 am **Jan. 18th, 2022**.

To be eligible for a COBSS awards you must:

1. Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or refugee living within the boundaries of SD #23
2. Apply to and plan to attend **FULL TIME** at an accredited post-secondary institution in **September of graduating year**
3. Obtain a minimum of 60% average in all of your grade 11 and 12 courses
4. Be registered in and will complete a minimum of six (6) courses during grade 12 year – not including Capstone, Careers 12 and Work Experience 12.
5. Be graduating for the first time this June
6. Be attending one of the member schools of COBSS (KSS is a member)

Award selection is based on 3 areas:

1. Financial need
2. Academic ability – overall average of grade 11 and 12 marks (min. 60%)
3. Active citizenship – involvement in school and community

CREATE AN ACCOUNT

- Ensure email address is one that you will have for at least one year after graduation.
- The KSS school access code is **kss2022**

INSTRUCTIONS ICON

- Please read all instructions carefully and thoroughly before beginning the application process.

THREE MAIN COMPONENTS TO THE ON-LINE APPLICATION PROCESS

1. The application form (My Application Icon)
2. The selection of criteria awards (Select Awards Icon)
3. Completion of 2 statement of reference forms (Statement of Reference Icon)

MY APPLICATION ICON

- Students may go back and edit as often as they wish until the site closes.
- Students must answer all questions as accurately and truthfully as possible.
- Please check spelling and grammar and be concise as there is limited space provided.
- Student Personal Statements are a major part of the application. There are 3 questions.
- Student Activity Details chart includes activities you have been involved with in the school and community during your grade 10, 11 and 12 years. Include a weekly average and the total number of participation hours for each activity – include anticipated hours until end of June.
- Print ONE copy of your application by clicking the "Print My Application" icon.
- **Two signatures are REQUIRED from both STUDENT and PARENT** on your printed application form.

Reminder to grade 12's applying to Central Okanagan Bursary and Scholarship (COBSS) awards.

Applications and instructions available at www.cobss.ca.

The KSS access code is kss2022

NEW Application Close Date is now Monday, January 17th at 11:59 pm.

Paper copies of applications will be due to Counsellors by 9:00 am on Tuesday January 18th.

Deadline Extended!!

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SELECT AWARDS ICON

- This is a list of all of the specific criteria awards from donors. Please note that these are subject to change.
- Hover your mouse over each award title to view the award's criteria.
- If you are eligible, click on "Details" and click on the "Apply for this award" box.
- If required, fill in "Applicant Responses" to explain why you are eligible.
- Please note a few awards may require additional information which must be submitted with your application package. If prompted add necessary information for that award.
- Once you have selected all eligible awards, print ONE copy of your selected awards list by clicking the "Print Statement of Awards" icon.

STATEMENT OF REFERENCE ICON

- **COMPLETE THIS STEP FIRST.**
- You will need **TWO** completed Statement of Reference forms. Consider community members, employers, teachers, etc. as potential referees.
- Remember to give your referees ample time to complete your request and that they are aware of your timeline.
- On the main page menu, click on "Statement of Reference" and print **TWO** copies of this PDF and give one to each of your referees ASAP or email a fillable PDF to referees.
- The Statement of Reference forms are confidential and need to be placed in a sealed envelope by the referee unless the referee gives it directly to your school counsellor. Note that emailed reference forms must be printed and signed by the referees.

COMPLETION CHECKLIST ICON

- Refer to this icon to ensure you have fulfilled all the necessary steps for a completed COBSS application package to turn into your school counsellor.

APPLICATION PACKAGE ORDER:

1. One printout of the completed online "My Application"
2. One printout of the "Statement of Awards"
3. Two completed "Statement of Reference" forms (in sealed envelopes)
4. Additional information if required by select awards

Note: A transcript will be added to your application by school counsellors.

Each application **MUST** be **PAPER CLIPPED** together in the above order and submitted to your school counsellor **on or before 9:00 am Tuesday, January 18th, 2022**.



All **Basketball Home games** will be livestreamed for viewing; the stream will be live about 20-30 minutes before game time. Live stream link is : <https://www.kssowlsathletics.com/basketball-games-live-stream.html>



AAA Girls Soccer Team Tryouts are starting on Jan 18th at 4 pm in the Rutland Bubble. Any interested players are asked to fill in the following form prior to attending the first tryout on the 18th of January. Link to the form is : <https://forms.gle/iXfmEVBemoeGtqQy8>



KSS Ultimate Frisbee

OPEN TRYOUTS

Put your game face on. Get the chance to be one of us!
WHO? YOU! Tryouts are open to all genders in
Grade 10-12



3:45PM = 5PM
MARCH 1, 3, 8, 10, 15
AT THE RUTLAND BUBBLE

For more info, join our Google Classroom **ult3xgr**



**HEALTH PROMOTING SCHOOLS
MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
PARENT VERSION
JANUARY 2022**

MENTAL WELLNESS

BC's New Mental Health and Addictions "Wellbeing" Website

Find out more about wellbeing, mental health, and substance use tools, resources, and services at Wellbeing.gov.bc.ca. The site is managed by the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions.



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Mental Health
and Addictions



Grad photos!

KELOWNA SECONDARY GRADS

Mountain West Studios is pleased to offer your
GRADUATION PHOTO SESSIONS!



WHEN: January 10th – 14th & 17th – 21st

LOCATION: drama room

SIGN UP: Book online at mountainwest.ca
Click "[Book Grad Session](#)"

- We provide cap, gown, school colors, diplomas and a variety of backgrounds.
- Please bring just one favorite selection of clothes for your casual photos.
- Feel free to bring along props for your casual photos (Sports items, musical instruments, etc.)
- Please arrive 10 minutes prior to your appointment time! (Late arrivals may have to reschedule to another date.)

ANY QUESTIONS, CALL US: 604.433.0551 EXT. 126

Studio Location:
Mountain West Studios
6869 Merritt Avenue
Burnaby BC V5J 4R5

Phone: 604.433.0551 x126
Toll Free 1.888.644.4494 x 126
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MOUNTAINWEST
STUDIOS

Graduation photos

Kelowna Secondary School

January 10th to 21st, 2022



Students can book their session through our website at mountainwest.ca

Select "BOOK a PHOTO SESSION" at the top of the page.

Select your school and proceed to sign up for your preferred date and time.

Location: Kelowna Secondary School- Drama room

- Please arrive at least 10 minutes early to sign in and make any last minute preparations.
- There is a NO sitting fee due to the photographer.
- Mountain West Studios will provide the cap, gown, school colours, flowers, diplomas and a variety of back grounds and creativity.

**Your Graduation portrait session is a special, once-in-a-lifetime event.
Please take the time to prepare and you will love your portraits.**

What to Bring:

- Please wear a V-neck, tank top or wear a shirt and tie for your cap and gown photos.
- If you do not have a shirt and tie, we will provide you with one of our "half" shirts and ties to wear under the grad gown.
- Hair and make-up (if worn) should be done before you arrive, but bring supplies for touch-ups
- We also encourage all of you to bring any special personal props/sports items, etc. to include in your portrait session.
- We would be following the COVID protocol which requires temperature and masks worn up till point of photos
- The Web Code to view and order online is available at the Camera and also will be emailed in 7-10 days after the photo day

If you have any questions email us at grads@mountainwest.ca or call 1-888-644-4494 ext 126.

SCHOOL DISTRICT #22

JEAN MINGUY MEMORIAL

RCMP

YOUTH ACADEMY

MAY 8-14

JOIN US

Are you interested in
Policing Careers?

AGES 16-18

Students
Are invited to apply
Applications DUE Jan 31st

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE IN
THE OFFICE or SEE YOUR
CAREER COORDINATOR

COST IS **\$350**
INCLUDES ALL FOOD, LODGING AND SUPPLIES
FOR THE WEEK

CAREER PROGRAMS

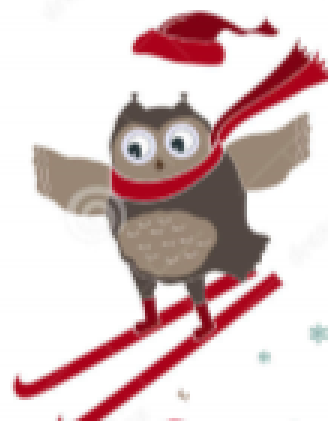
MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE:
[SD22.BC.CA/PROGRAMS SERVICES/CAREERS/](https://sd22.bc.ca/programs-services/careers/)
DMeyer@SD22.BC.CA

Grad Clothing

The second round of grad clothing is up for sale here: <https://kssgrad22jan.itemorder.com/shop/sale/?saleCode=JY2D6>

This sale ends February 15, and items will arrive 3-4 weeks after that date.

There will be a third sale in the spring.



NEXT STEPS FOR UVIC APPLICANTS

FROM HIGH SCHOOLS IN CANADA 2022

Thanks for applying to Canada's top comprehensive university—the University of Victoria! This is your chance to study at a globally recognized research university, get hands-on experience, and live and learn in our extraordinary environment. Use this checklist to keep track of the next steps to becoming part of the UVic community. If you have any questions, email us at recruitment@uvic.ca. We hope to see you in September!

Create a Netlink ID

Once you've applied, create your Netlink ID at uvic.ca/netlink. This will become your @uvic.ca email address while you're a student. You'll also use your Netlink ID to access the UVic student portal where you'll self-report your grades, apply for scholarships and register for your courses.

Submit supplemental information

Prepare your supplemental information (if required) and submit it by your program's supplemental application deadline. This is usually January 31 or earlier. You can find these requirements and deadline on your program's page at uvic.ca/programs.

Submit proof of English language proficiency

If your first language isn't English, submit proof of English language proficiency by February 28 or the deadline indicated in your application checklist. uvic.ca/enpr

Self-report your grades between February 15 and March 15

Self-report your interim grades or predicted IB scores via the link in the checklist in the UVic application portal. uvic.ca/application. By self-reporting your grades, you will be automatically considered for entrance scholarships based solely on your calculated admission average. You must self-report your grades to be considered for admission or scholarships at UVic.

Apply for on-campus housing between February 7 and May 1

Hoping to live on campus? Apply between February 7 and May 1 at uvic.ca/residence.

Apply for specific-criteria application awards

You can apply for specific-criteria application awards (based on grades and merit) as of February 15. You can apply before you've received an admission offer, but make sure to submit your application before the deadline of April 30. uvic.ca/entrancescholarships

Accept your offer!

We'll send your offer of admission by email. Be sure to read all information carefully and pay the acceptance deposit by the deadline specified in your offer. Doing so will reserve your seat at UVic and enable you to register for classes. uvic.ca/admitted

Apply for a study permit, if required

If you're not a Canadian citizen or permanent resident, apply for your study permit as early as possible to allow for processing time. You can apply for your permit at canada.ca/immigration. You must pay your acceptance deposit before you can receive a study permit letter from UVic. uvic.ca/admitted

Register for courses

Watch your email between late May and early June for registration information including when to log in to find out your registration date and time.

Send final grades to UVic

Send your final official grades plus any other requested documents by the deadline listed in the UVic application portal. uvic.ca/final-grades



BC PSI - Important Application Deadlines

January - March 2022

Don't miss out on any Important information or Deadlines!

Check out the KSS website regularly!



The Path to UBC



Additional Info





The University of Alberta is welcoming 20 lucky students from across Canada with the opportunity to get away and experience U of A.

U of A Getaway Program is a whirlwind weekend of exciting events where students will stay in residence, explore state-of-the-art facilities, learn about our 200+ programs, discover hidden gems on campus, and experience all the U of A has to offer!

Attendees will join us in Alberta's capital city, Edmonton, where they'll discover our breathtaking North Campus, nestled atop the lush North Saskatchewan river valley and just steps away from the bustling Whyte Avenue district. Their adventure will include transportation reimbursement (up to a maximum based on location), accommodations, meals, and a jam-packed schedule of events!

Who: Open to Grade 11 students throughout Canada

When: May 27 - 29, 2022

Where: University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta

20 Grade 11 students will be selected for this unique experience. Students can learn more and apply at uab.ca/getaway. The application deadline is **January 28, 2022**.

Please note, as of November 1, 2021, guests visiting the University of Alberta are required to be fully vaccinated and must provide proof of vaccination upon arrival. For more information, please visit uab.ca/covid19.



**>> UBC O
Engineering
Into the
Universe
All-Girls* Event**

**Grade 10-12
February 16th, 2022
UBC Okanagan
9:30 am - 2:30 pm**

Sign up at your Career Centre



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 professions who will share their stories and experiences.

*We have an inclusive view of the word "girl" and we welcome trans, genderqueer, and non-binary folks interested in these workshops. Grant funding has been provided to increase the number of girls in post-secondary STEM programs.

