



Whoo's News



December 1, 2023

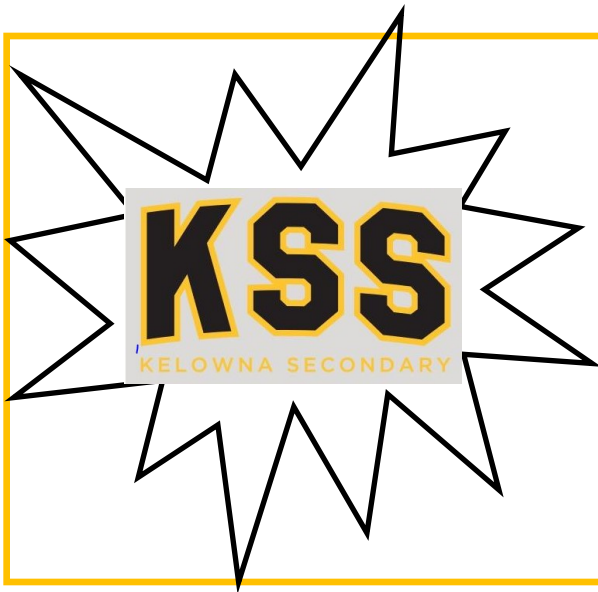


PARKING AND PICK-UP AT KSS

The arrows indicate Student Parking. Students must have a parking pass displayed.

The Visitor Parking is in the Student Parking Lot. Please remember to pick up a visitor parking pass from the office. This is also the area designated for student drop off and pick up to ensure the safety of our staff and students.

Parents ARE NOT TO USE the Staff Parking lot (X) for student drop off or pick up at ANY time for ANY reason.



KSS SPIRIT WEAR IS ON SALE!

Hoodies, beanies, YETI tumblers!

Delivery will be prior to Winter Break!

Please order [HERE](#).

Orders will close on December 10th.

Upcoming dates . .

Dec 4-5	KSS Music Concerts in KSS Gym 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Dec 8	Jazz at The Laurel 7:00 p.m.
Dec 11	St. Michael's Cathedral Choir Concert 7:00 p.m.
Dec 19	Jazz Concert in KSS MPR 7:00 p.m.
Dec 21	LOCKER CLEAN OUT
Dec 23-Jan 7	NO SCHOOL—Winter Break
Jan 8	School re-opens (full day)
Jan 9	KSS PAC Meeting via Zoom



Early Bird pricing ends Dec. 1!

Buy yours ASAP for **\$30.00**

(\$35 personalized)

[Purchase NOW](#)

After Dec. 1st cost is \$35 and \$40

KSS ATHLETICS

Sr. Girls



GOOD LUCK
*to our volleyball
teams
at Provincials!*

GO OWLS !



Sr. Boys



JAZZ CONCERT



You are invited to an evening of music by the Jazz Combo's in the KSS MPR. Save the date: **Tuesday, December 19!**



The school entrance will be decorated and the air festive. Please join us and invite family and friends to an evening of musical entertainment put on by the Jazz Studies students.

Admission is by donation.

The doors open at 6:30 PM and the Concert is from 7:00- 8:30 PM.

COBBS (CENTRAL OKANAGAN BURSARY & SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY)

KSS SCHOOL CODE = kss2024

COBBS on-line application closes: **January 15, 2024 @ 11:59 p.m.**



www.cobbs.ca

Please note that the application process this year is completely online – no paper

PSP#2 presentation will be posted on the KSS website under Counselling and Post-Secondary Information as well as in the Grade 12 Google Classroom.

UPCOMING POST SECONDARY INSTITUTION REPRESENTATIVE VISITS TO KSS

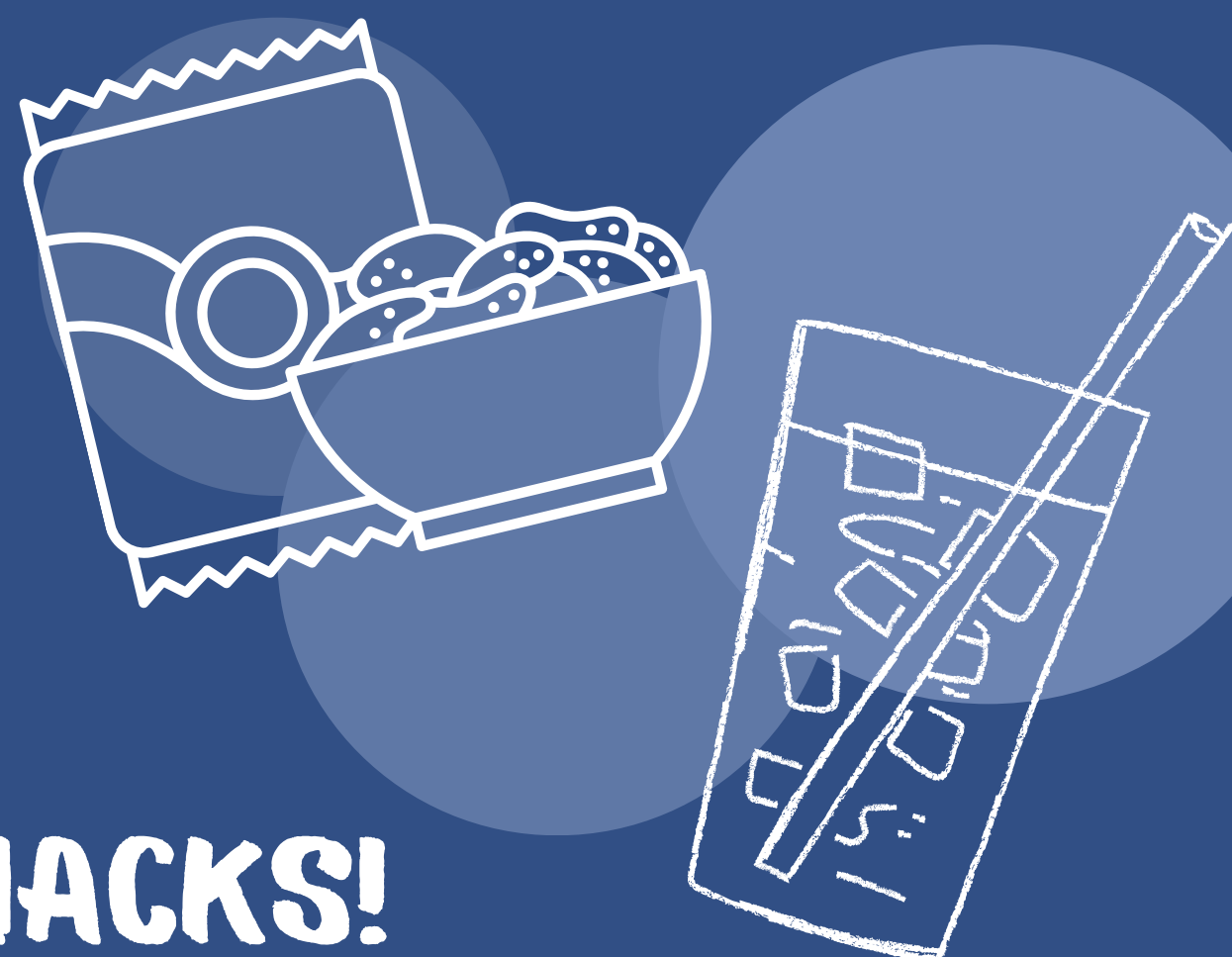
Date	PSI Name	Time	Location
Thursday Dec. 14 th	St. Francis <u>Xavier</u> University, Antigonish, NS	11:30– 12:30	MPR

KSS JAZZ AND VOCAL PROUDLY PRESENTS:

JAZZ AT THE LAUREL

1304 Ellis Street

SNACKS!
DRINKS!



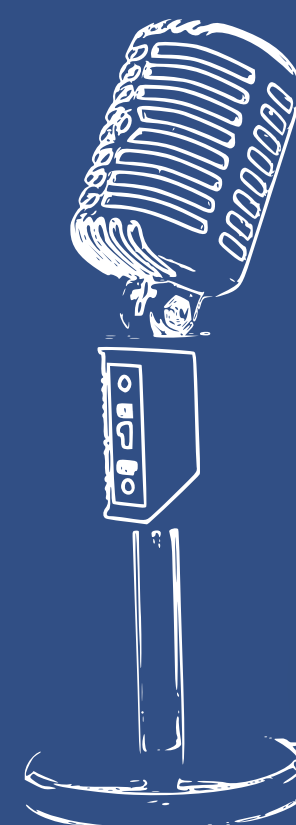
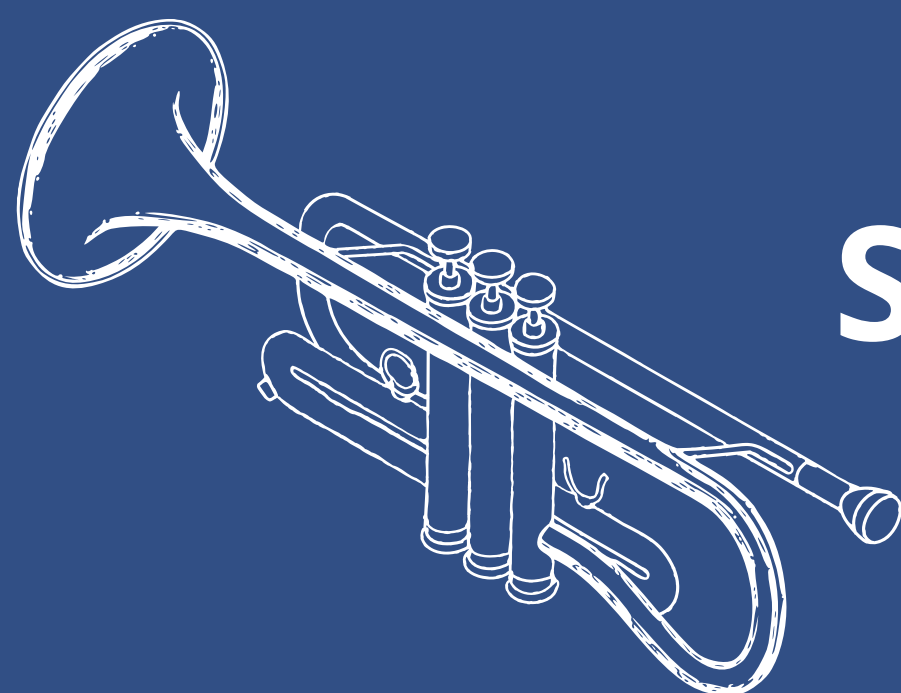
FRIDAY, DECEMBER

8TH 7:00 PM

Doors open at 6:30 pm

Adults: \$20

Students: \$10



Proceeds go to support KSS Jazz program

Tickets available at the door or through KSS students and schoolcashonline.com

KSS CHORAL PROUDLY PRESENTS:

**VOICES AT
ST. MICHAEL'S
CATHEDRAL**

608 Sutherland Ave.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER
11TH 7:00PM**



**Doors open at 6:30 pm
Entry by donation**

Proceeds go to support KSS Choral program



PAC SCHOLARSHIP & BURSARY FUNDRAISER

DIRECT DONATION OPPORTUNITY

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 2024 graduates. Any funds beyond our goal will be held in a PAC scholarship account for future years!

HOW TO DONATE

We will be using the School District donation option for our Bursary & Scholarship Fund. It allows us to keep all of the money that you donate, rather than having to pay platform fees, as well as gives you a tax receipt! (Subject to a minimum donation of \$20.00)

Steps:

1. Head over to www.schoolcashonline.com and sign in using your log in details that you pay your school fees with.
2. Click **Make a Donation** to open the donation form.
3. Under Gift Information you can choose the amount you wish to donate.
4. In the "Fund Destination" choose **Kelowna Secondary School**
5. In the message box write **KSS PAC Bursary/Scholarship donation (This is Important to ensure donations are received by the PAC)**
6. **Add to cart** to go to the payment page 😊

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)

Tax Receipt

A donation receipt will be emailed to you upon completion of your cart checkout.

Community Service Worker Training Program

To address the shortage of community service workers, the YMCA of Southern Interior BC is developing a training program for people ages 17-29 that will provide free group-based skills development training, certifications, and employment readiness preparation. Participants will receive...

Paid training in industry-specific certifications and soft skills, including:

- ✓ Trauma-Informed Practice
- ✓ Mental Health First Aid
- ✓ San'Yas Indigenous Cultural Safety
- ✓ First Aid, WHMIS, and Food Safe
- ✓ De-escalating Potentially Violent Situations
- ✓ Ethics of Helping: Boundaries and Relationships
- ✓ Professionalism in the Workplace
- ✓ Gender Affirming/Inclusive Language
- ✓ Conflict Resolution & Communication
- ✓ Stress Management and Well-Being
- ✓ Employment Readiness Skills

Industry connections:

- ✓ Connections to employers
- ✓ Guest speakers and site tours
- ✓ Up to 3 months of follow-up from program coordinators

Contact the program coordinators:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| ✉ izabela.krahelskaya@ymcasibc.ca | ☎ 250-863-4856 |
| ✉ theresa.husar@ymcasibc.ca | ☎ 250-258-0512 |

Outcome:

Participants have relevant certifications and training and are ready to begin employment with community partners in the social service industry.

Program structure:



Recruitment
& Intakes



Participant
Registration



Certifications
& Training



Program
Completion



Employment

hosted by...
SD22

INTERESTED IN
**POLICING
CAREERS?**



PARTICIPATE IN THE
**JEAN MINGUY MEMORIAL
RCMP YOUTH
Academy**

MAY 11 - 17, 2024

DEADLINE TO APPLY

IS JANUARY 31st

Applications are
available from the KSS
Career Centre or from
our website.



AGES 16-18
Are Invited to apply

Cost is
\$350

Includes all food, lodging
and supplies for the week.

**KELOWNA GENERAL HOSPITAL -
INTERIOR HEALTH**

**Volunteer Services
Opportunity**

Grade 11 & 12

**6 month commitment for
4 WEX 12AB credits**

Build your
resume by
volunteering
in the health
care sector

Choose from:
Information Desk
or
Clinical Units:
(Cardiac & 4W)

See your KSS Career Centre
for more info and an application form

no deadline to apply - placements are ongoing

**KELOWNA GENERAL
HOSPITAL FOUNDATION**

**Volunteer
Opportunity**

Grade 9-12

**150 hour commitment for
8 WEX 12AB credits**

Build your
resume by
volunteering
in the
health care
sector

Choose from:
Royal Bistro
The Gift Shop
Perking Lot Coffee Shop
Rutland Thrift Store

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Strong Neighbourhoods



**Youth Development
& Engagement
Grant**

GET EMPOWERED!

RACK UP SOME VOLUNTEER HOURS

**UP TO \$1000 TO SUPPORT YOUTH LED
COMMUNITY PROJECTS OR EVENTS**

PROJECT/EVENT IDEAS
FILM FESTIVAL | OPEN MIC NIGHT | PORCH CONCERT | MURALS |
NEIGHBOURHOOD BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS | TRASH TO TREASURE

HELP MAKE YOUR COMMUNITY A BETTER
PLACE TO LIVE AND PLAY

OPEN TO YOUTH AGES
13-24

NEIGHBOURHOODS@KELOWNA.CA
KELOWNA.CA/NEIGHBOURHOODS



November 24, 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians of Kelowna Secondary School Grade 12 Students,

We are excited to share a new and streamlined approach to fundraising for the Class of 2024's graduation celebrations.

Understanding that families have various capacities for time and financial contributions, we have created a direct donation program for Prom. We are inviting families to contribute a one-time donation through [School Cash Online](#), available preset donation amounts range from \$20 - \$1000, alternatively, there is a blank space to donate a different amount. Instructions for making a donation are included below this letter. We are asking that families **consider donating \$175 in order to offset the per-person cost** of the event. **Please note that when making the donation, you MUST indicate in the optional message box that the donation is for "KSS Prom", otherwise the donation will go to a general account.**

The above **QR code will take you directly to School Cash Online**. Parents, guardians, grandparents, other family members, friends, and businesses are all welcome to make a donation to the event through School Cash Online please feel free to share this as required. If new to School Cash Online, users can create an account and then follow the same steps outlined below to make a donation. **Tax receipts are available immediately**, either by selecting the receipt button after making the donation, a copy of the tax receipt is emailed to the address listed as well.

This proactive approach will assist us in securing a top-notch venue, stellar entertainment, and delicious food and beverages well in advance. Of course, participation in the direct donation program is optional. For those who choose not to participate, there will still be plenty of opportunities to contribute through various fun and engaging fundraising events throughout the year. Your involvement, in any form, is invaluable to the success of our graduating class's special day

We understand that each family's situation is unique, and we want to emphasize that no student will be excluded from participating in graduation events due to financial constraints. Additionally, for those who are able and willing, we encourage you to consider increasing your donation amount to support families who may not be able to pay the fee or participate in fundraising.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to making the Class of 2024's graduation a memorable occasion. We are looking forward to an incredible year ahead! If you have any questions please email ksspromcommittee@gmail.com

Warm regards -
The Parent Prom Committee of Kelowna Secondary School

Parents can donate to KSS through School Cash Online. Below are the steps with screenshots.

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

Make A Donation
Add Student

Central Okanagan School District
Show 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, choose the amount of your donation
- In the Fund Destination choose **Kelowna Secondary** in the drop-down menu.
- It is also important that donors write in the message box that this is for **KSS Prom**.

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Kelowna Secondary ▼

Tribute Information

This gift is: Not a tribute gift ▼
 Name of honoree:

Message to School Board

Message: *(Optional)*

KSS Prom Donation