



École Kelowna Secondary School

Whoo's News

June 6, 2025

CONVOCATION 2025

On **Saturday, June 7th**, KSS will have two separate Graduation Ceremonies in the KSS Gym. These 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.

All KSS Parking lots are available to guests as well as parking lots at KLO Middle School.

LIVESTREAM LINK IS [HERE](#)

The ceremonies will be recorded and re-posted on this site.

Upcoming dates . .

Jun 9-13	Core Competencies
Jun 10	Health Nurse Wellness Clinics in Career Ctr
Jun 10	Global Awareness Market
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
??	Yearbook Distribution
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)



Kelowna Pride Month events [HERE](#).

Dear KSS parents,

As we approach the end of the school year, 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.

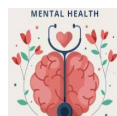
2025-2026 Student Schedules will also be distributed for next year Grade 11 & 12 students.

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 (between 8:00-3:00) to pick up.

Course Change Requests Information will be available soon. Please check the KSS Website.



Mental Health Memo from your counsellors

Your mind is like a garden.

With care, it will bloom beautifully.



LOCKER CLEAN OUT

June 18th at 9:00 a.m.

On Wednesday, June 18, between 9:00-9:15 a.m., we will have a quick Homeroom for locker clean-out.

Block order is 1-2 / 3-4. Students will go directly to their Homeroom at 9:00 a.m. Students must clean out lockers and return locks to the Homeroom Teacher. Once this is completed, students then continue to their Block 1/2. *Most students' Homeroom is their Semester 1 Block 1/2.*

Student Homeroom Numbers are found in MyEd Parent Portal, "Family" Top Tab, click blue hyperlink student name, Homeroom Number is found under "Demo" tab in the bottom right corner.

PLEASE ENSURE STUDENT KNOWS THEIR HOMEROOM NUMBER ON JUNE 18th.

The Bookroom and Library will be available for students to return books. Students may keep their books until Friday, June 20th if needed.

Fees may be paid online via [School Cash Online](#). Students may also come to the office to pay fees.

Any items that are left in lockers after June 26th will be donated or discarded!!



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

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Emil Anderson
Team Simpson
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Sandman Hotel
Arlo's Honey Farm
Haywood Securities
Global Gym
Browns Socialhouse
Cherry Hill Coffee
Sonic Wash
Solar Center Store

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EVENTS + BRAND MGMT

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JUNE 2025

Kelowna Wine Country Runs



Deadline to apply: June 12th

APPLY HERE



The 2025 Kelowna Wine Country Runs is a scenic running event held on June 14, 2025, offering participants the chance to run a Half Marathon, 10km, or 5km through the stunning Okanagan Valley.

Roles & Schedules:

- **KFGC - Race Set up (7:30am-8:45am)**
1 Spot Available
- **Festival Set Up (6:30am-9:30am)**
2 Spots Available
- **Finish Line Set up (6:30am-9:30am)**
1 Spot Available
- **Finish Line Slow Paddles (8am-11am).**
1 Spot Available
- **Clicker Counter Exit (8:30am-12pm)**
1 Spot Available
- **Clicker Counter Entrance (8:30am-12pm)**
1 Spot Available
- **Wine Glass Handout (8:30am-12pm)**
1 Spot Available
- **Server (SIR Required, 18+)**
(8:30am-12:15pm)
8 Spots Available (PAID)
- **Server + Driver (SIR Required, 18+)**
(6am-12:30pm)
1 Spot Available (PAID)
- **Festival Support/Take Down (11am-1pm)**
7 Spots Available
- **Golf Cart Driver (Drivers Licence Required)**
(7am-12:30pm)
2 Spots Available

Career-Life Programs – Jill of All Trades – May 22, 2025



Approximately 125 enthusiastic young women had the amazing opportunity to participate in The Jill of All Trades (JOAT) event that was held at Okanagan College on May 22nd.

JOAT was launched in 2014 to introduce young women in grades 9 through 12 to the possibilities and benefits of a career in the skilled trades. Students began their day by enjoying a continental breakfast and then hearing the key-note speaker share her inspiring story of passion, perseverance and success in her field. They then not only had the chance to participate in engaging and fun workshops in various trades such as carpentry, automotive, electrical, plumbing, heavy duty mechanics, welding and culinary arts, they also had the valuable experience of interacting with inspiring mentors who are leaders in their respective fields. Canada needs more than 167,000 new apprentices in the next five years and these workshops aim to provide valuable insights and to foster a better understanding of how careers in the skilled trades play a crucial role in shaping the future of our workforce and by encouraging diversity and inclusion in traditionally male-dominated industries. Additional highlights included an incredible lunch, facility tours and information booths.

Career-Life Programs would like to thank Jill of All Trades and Okanagan College for hosting this a fun-filled and inspiring day!



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.



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.





RCA JAZZ SUMMER CAMP

Led by Craig Thomson, with Bob Rogers and Zach Griffin, students will learn how to develop their musical creativity by improvising over several styles of music including the blues, R&B, soul, funk, and popular jazz "standards". They will also be coached on refining their technique within instrument-specific classes. In addition, students will be able to enjoy their instructors performing with other local professionals regularly at the RCA Jazz Jam and will perform their own concert in the Mary Irwin Theatre on the final day of camp.

Monday - Friday, August 18-22
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Ages 13+

Pre-register today



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