



# Whoo's News



October 2, 2020

## PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Thank you to all our parents who were able to connect with teachers during parent-teacher interviews this past week. Parents who were not able to connect with teachers are encouraged to contact them directly. The [Faculty Directory](#) on our web page lists all of our teachers with their extension numbers to leave a voice message as well as a direct link to e-mails.



## SCHOOL FEES

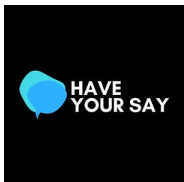
The fastest and easier way to pay school fees is on-line. Given the current COVID pandemic, the fact that the District is not anticipating providing the same level of cultural performances as we have in the past and students are not using lockers, Student Activity Fees will not be charged for the upcoming school year.

Opportunity to purchase a **Yearbook** has also been added on to student accounts in order to take advantage of early bird pricing. Please log on to your child's account at School Cash Online to see the options available. It is strongly suggested that all fees are paid on-line as an automatic receipt is generated and proof of payment is always available. Deadline for early bird purchase of \$30.00 is December 1st! The regular price will be \$35.00 and the deadline to purchase is February 28. **A huge SHOUTOUT to Ms. Nicoll and the Yearbook Class for the amazing job they do on creating our Yearbook full of great memories.**



## GRAD FEES

The 75.00 **Grade 12 Graduation Ceremony Fee** has been added to the Grade 12 students and expires April 1st. These fees cover grad photo sitting and complimentary photo at commencement, keepsake grad photo composite, grad gown rental, keepsake grad cap, and rental of the venue and security OR a professionally-produced virtual ceremony. These fees are not refundable. Our 2020 Virtual ceremony and all graduation paraphernalia used ALL of the collected funds so 2021 fees have remained the same.



## ATTENTION KSS PARENTS AND GUARDIANS:

The October PAC meeting has been changed to Tuesday October 20th, at 6:30 pm via Zoom. We will be discussing the 2020-2021 PAC budget. If you would like to attend, and did not already send a request for our first meeting, please email the PAC at: [kss.pac@sd23.bc.ca](mailto:kss.pac@sd23.bc.ca) We hope to see you there!



Please help us . . . .

Please help us reinforce the importance of our end-of-day procedures. Regardless of whether a student's day ends at 11:44 or 3:16, it is important that they leave the school grounds immediately. Our safety plans are designed around reducing the volume of students at mid-day and preventing social gatherings.

We have also received concerns from the community about our students congregating, without masks or physical distancing, off of school property (in parks, at local businesses, etc.). Thank you for supporting our message about being safe and courteous ambassadors for KSS while out in public.

## SD23 District Student Council

Are you interested in representing students in your grade at a school district level? Join the Student District Council (DSC). We're looking to make a diverse council, dedicated to representing the voices of youth and improving student life.

We meet the first Monday of the month from 4:15pm-5:45pm at the School Board Office on Hollywood Road.

Our mission is to create a connection between the students and the board of education, advocate for the betterment of student life, assume an active leadership role on behalf of the students, and to promote positive relationships and camaraderie between schools.

We're looking for representatives from grade 10-12.

Applications are due October 19th.

[Google Application form](#)

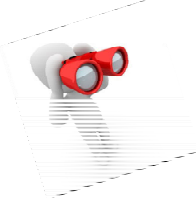
# be a leader.

The Canadian Universities Event (CUE) is a forum designed to highlight Canada's universities to BC's secondary students and families. The CUE brings together over 50 of Canada's finest post-secondary institutions for students and families to explore. This year the CUE will be online and students can go to [cuebc.org](https://cuebc.org) to register for events. All CUE student events are the same and they are open to students in all grades. Students will need to register on the CUE website in order to access the live events. Students events are scheduled for:

**Saturday, October 3: 10AM-2PM Pacific**

**Tuesday, October 6: 4-8PM Pacific**

**Thursday, October 8: 4-8PM Pacific**



**Looking for your  
2019/2020  
Yearbook??**


We have great news for you!  
Thank you to our KSS Leadership Students we distributed **KSS Yearbooks** for three days last week and the remainder **will be delivered to students in their Block 1 class next week!!**

### **KSS and KLO Yearbooks**

Thank you once again to Mr. Triggs and our amazing Leadership Students who delivered year books from our feeder schools to students in Grade 10 at KSS during their Block 1 class this week!

If you did NOT receive yours, please come by the office to collect it!

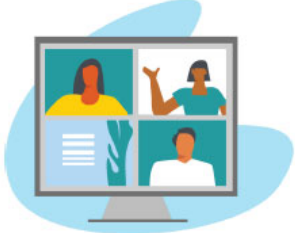
# Memories



# CUE

## Canadian Universities Event

# REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!



**VISIT [HTTPS://CUEBC.ORG/](https://cuebc.org/)**

**Sept 28, 29, 30: 4pm - 8pm PST**  
**Oct 3: 10am - 2pm PST**  
**Oct 1, 6, 8: 4pm - 8pm PST**

# Safety of your Child at Non-Sanctioned Graduation Events

For each of our grade 12 students, the graduation year is one of the most special and celebrated milestones to date. We have several events that we are still organizing and support at KSS for your Grade 12 student. These events may look different or may be cancelled depending on the status of COVID-19 and the restrictions. Administrators, teachers, parents and students work very hard to organize these events and ensure all safety concerns are addressed. Grad Winter Formal, Grad Fun Night, Prom and the Convocation Ceremony are just a few activities that we plan and prepare for your child's enjoyment.

Unfortunately, there are other non-sanctioned grad events that we do not supervise nor support. The activities are organized and arranged by graduates themselves that include "grad kidnappings" and subsequent "bush parties" that take place in our community.

We want to be clear that we have serious concerns regarding student behavior and safety at all of the above-mentioned non sanctioned events. There has been incidents of serious injury to students and we strongly caution and counsel parents to investigate these non-sanctioned activities carefully.

The staff at KSS want your child's grade 12 year to be positive, memorable and safe.

The PSIBC (Post-Secondary Institutions of BC) is a consortium of 30 BC post-secondary institutions that support high school students and their parents by providing information they need to help make the best post-secondary education decisions. Typically this group organizes school visits and events across the province to connect with students, but due to COVID-19, information session will be online. The attached instruction sheet will help students with the registration as well as the dates and times of the virtual information fairs.

## Post-Secondary Institutions of BC present the PSIBC VIRTUAL FAIR

<https://postsecondarybcvirtualfair.easyvirtualfair.com/>

While typically we have had post-secondary institutions visit our school individually and also as a group for the PSIBC Fair Event, this year these events are going virtual. The PSIBC Virtual Fair is an amazing opportunity to research post-secondary opportunities within BC and gather all sorts of information!



### WHEN:

Monday, Oct. 5 <sup>th</sup>	2pm – 6pm	Kelowna/Vernon/Okanagan students
Tuesday, Oct. 6 <sup>th</sup>	3pm – 7pm	Kelowna/Vernon/Okanagan students
Wednesday, Oct. 21 <sup>st</sup>	3pm – 7pm	Provincial Community Event
Saturday, Nov. 14 <sup>th</sup>	12pm – 4pm	Provincial Community Event
Wednesday, Dec. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	3pm – 7pm	Provincial Community Event

### REGISTRATION HOW-TO:

1. Click on the registration link to create an account.
2. Fill in all mandatory fields.
3. Make sure you remember your e-mail and chosen password for the platform! You'll need it to log in.
4. "Programs of Interest" → you are only able to select one option. Don't worry, you can get information about any program you wish. Just choose the one you are leaning towards at this moment.
5. Email address → use an email you will frequently check. Recruiters may need to follow up with you after the fair to answer your questions or send you information.
6. Date & Time → Select your preferred date and time for Kelowna/Vernon/Okanagan secondary schools or for a Provincial Community Event.

### NOTES & HELPFUL TIPS:

- Some PSIs will have more recruiters available for their local students.
- YES, you can sign up for both Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> plus any community events.
- YES, parents can sign up too!
- Recruiters and representatives are only available during the fair times.
- YES, you can still go into the booths of PSIs outside of fair times, you will be limited to downloading information and looking at the booth. Generally fairs are scheduled for the afternoons and evenings so if you need to get a document or take a look at a booth, the best option is to do that in morning.
- Please do NOT sign up for events outside of our region or the community events.

### WHEN VISITING A VIRTUAL BOOTH, YOU CAN...

	<b>INSTITUTION PROFILE</b> General info		<b>SOCIAL MEDIA</b> Links to follow schools
	<b>CHAT</b> Live chat with recruiters		<b>ONLINE CHATS</b> Chats with specific times, or specific offices/depts
	<b>OFFERS</b> ex: Application links		<b>PRESENTATIONS</b> Live events or pre-recorded
	<b>VIDEOS</b> ex: tours, general info, 'how-to'		<b>MAILBOX</b> Send message to recruiter
	<b>DOWNLOADABLE DOCUMENTS</b> ex: viewbooks		<b>BANNERS</b> Images for download
	<b>WEBSITE LINKS</b> Ex: admissions, scholarships, etc.		<b>POSTERS</b> Images for download

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## POST-SECONDARY VIRTUAL INFO SESSIONS

**PLEASE NOTE** – Students/Parents may need to register for these events prior to the sessions.

POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL	DATE & TIME	LINK to VIRTUAL INFO SESSION
<b>University of British Columbia Okanagan</b> – Online Info Sessions	Oct. 28 @ 6:30 – 8:30 pm	<a href="https://you.ubc.ca/tours-info-sessions/online-sessions/#canadian">https://you.ubc.ca/tours-info-sessions/online-sessions/#canadian</a>
	Nov. 5 @ 6:30 – 8:30 pm	
<b>Okanagan College</b> – variety of virtual events	Varies – check link for updates	<a href="https://www.okanagan.bc.ca/office-of-the-registrar/info-sessions">https://www.okanagan.bc.ca/office-of-the-registrar/info-sessions</a>
<b>University of Victoria</b> – Discover UVic Sessions	Sept. 29 @ 4 pm	<a href="http://www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/tours-events/events/">www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/tours-events/events/</a>
	Oct. 6 @ 4 pm	
	Oct. 27 @ 4 pm	
	Nov. 10 @ 4 pm	
	Nov. 17 @ 4 pm	
<b>University of Victoria</b> – Parent Info. Nights	Nov. 24 @ 4 pm	<a href="http://www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/tours-events/events/">www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/tours-events/events/</a>
	Sept. 27 @ 5 pm	
	Oct. 18 @ 5 pm	
<b>Simon Fraser University</b> – Prospective Student Info Sessions	Nov. 8 @ 5 pm	<a href="https://www.sfu.ca/students/admission/campus-tours.html">https://www.sfu.ca/students/admission/campus-tours.html</a>
	Nov. 22 @ 5 pm	
	Check link for updates on session times	
<b>University of Calgary</b> – Virtual Open House	Oct. 3 @ 10 am -3 pm	<a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate/events/open-house">https://www.ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate/events/open-house</a>
<b>University of Alberta</b> – variety of virtual events	Varies – check link for session times	<a href="https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions/undergraduate/tours-and-events/index.html?">https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions/undergraduate/tours-and-events/index.html?</a>

Here is a list of the links to local and larger Western Canadian post-secondary schools' virtual info sessions as listed on their websites. Please note that students may have to register for these events prior to the sessions.

Keep up to date on all the daily announcements by following us on Twitter.

You will find the link on our webpage

[www.kss.sd23.bc.ca](http://www.kss.sd23.bc.ca)

Under “About us” and “Daily Announcements”



# Move For Mana IT'S BACK!



Hi there KSS students, parents, and guardians! Did you know that according to recent UNICEF numbers, an estimated 16,000,000 children under the age of 5 years old around the world suffer from Severe Acute Malnutrition? These numbers have also been seen to be spiking across the globe due to the distress of the Covid-19 pandemic. This is where an initiative called Move4MANA enters. The Move4MANA Challenge is an initiative meant to inspire kids to get active in order to help spread awareness and create resources for those suffering from Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM). It is our goal to help lessen this number of starving kids and help them have a chance at a bright future. The initiative is simple, through the app Active For Good, we ask students to log their activity daily which takes less than 5 minutes. That activity is then calculated into Good Points and after a certain amount of Good Points, it will equal one RUTF packet. RUTF stands for Ready to Use Therapeutic Food and is a vitamin and protein packed peanut based food product that will be delivered to our target country after the challenge is over. Kids suffering from SAM that consumed this product three times a day for six weeks saw a dramatic increase in overall health and well-being. As this is the second year we are bringing this challenge to KSS, the results from last year's challenge were truly amazing. As a community, KSS saved 300 lives last year and we are aiming to save even more lives this year. This all depends on our involvement, so please help us help the world

## LET'S GO OWLS!



## Daily Health Check

Date:

Name:

The following is a tool that must be used by parents/caregivers to complete prior to their child coming to school, and for staff and visitors to be completed on themselves.

Daily Health Check			
1. Symptoms of Illness*	For parents: Does your child have any of the following symptoms? For staff/visitor: Do you have any of the following symptoms?	Check Box Below	
	Fever	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Chills	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Cough or worsening of chronic cough	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Shortness of breath	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Loss of sense of smell or taste	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Diarrhea	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Nausea and vomiting	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2. International Travel	Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
3. Confirmed Contact	Are you or is anyone in your household a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

\*Check BCCDC's [Symptoms of COVID-19](#) regularly to ensure the list is up to date.

If you answered "YES" to any of the symptom questions, are the symptoms related to a pre-existing condition? (e.g. allergies). ☐ YES ☐ NO

If "YES" the person may come to school if the symptoms are being experienced as normal.

If "NO", the symptoms are not related to a pre-existing condition see the following information:

If you answered "YES" to one of the questions included under 'Key Symptoms of Illness' (excluding fever), you should stay home for 24 hours from when the symptom started. If the symptom improves, you may return to school when you feel well enough. If the symptom persists or worsens, seek a health assessment.

If you answered "YES" to two or more of the questions included under 'Symptoms of Illness' or you have a fever, seek a health assessment. A health assessment includes calling 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner. If a health assessment is required, you should not return to school until COVID-19 has been excluded and your symptoms have improved.

When a COVID-19 test is recommended by the health assessment:

- If the COVID-19 test is positive, you should stay home until you are told by public health to end self-isolation. In most cases this is 10 days after the onset of symptoms. Public health will contact everyone with a positive test.
- If the COVID-19 test is negative, you can return to school once symptoms have improved and you feel well enough. Symptoms of common respiratory illnesses can persist for a week or more. Re-testing is not needed unless you develop a new illness.
- If a COVID-19 test is recommended but is not done because you choose not to have the test, or you do not seek a health assessment when recommended, and your symptoms are not related to a previously diagnosed health condition, you should stay home from school until 10 days after the onset of symptoms, and then you may return if you are feeling well enough.

If a COVID-19 test is not recommended by the health assessment, you can return to school when symptoms improve and you feel well enough. Testing may not be recommended if the assessment determines that the symptoms are due to another cause (i.e. not COVID-19).

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