



Who's News



January 21, 2022

Core Competency Semester Reflection

Throughout the semester year, each of your child's classroom teachers have engaged students in lessons designed to help them self-assess their skills in regards to the Core Competencies. This is keeping in compliance with the Ministry of Education's mandated curriculum. The resulting synthesis of these reflections will be recorded on a physical reflection page and sent home with the students near the end of January. Students completed their reflection during the week of January 17-21 in their block 5-6 class. The full list of reflections can be found on your child's Google Classroom portfolio. More information about the core competencies can be found at: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/competencies>. Please contact any of your child's classroom teachers should you have questions regarding this requirement. Please ask your child to share their reflection page and learning with you as it comes home this month.

Core Competencies		
C	T	PS
Communicating		
• Connecting and engaging with others		
• Focusing on intent and purpose		
• Acquiring and presenting information		
Collaborating		
• Working collectively		
• Supporting group interactions		
• Determining common purposes		
Creative Thinking		
• Creating and innovating		
• Generating and incubating		
• Evaluating and developing		
Critical & Reflective Thinking		
• Analyzing and critiquing		
• Questioning and investigating		
• Designing and developing		
• Reflecting and assessing		
Personal Awareness & Responsibility		
• Self-advocating		
• Self-regulating		
• Well-being		
Positive Personal & Cultural Identity		
• Understanding relationships and cultural contexts		
• Recognizing personal values and choices		
• Identifying personal strengths and abilities		
Social Awareness & Responsibility		
• Building relationships		
• Contributing to community and caring for the environment		
• Resolving problems		
• Valuing diversity		

January 2022 Provincial Graduation Assessment Update

(Literacy 10, Numeracy 10, Literacy 12, Français langue seconde-immersion 12)

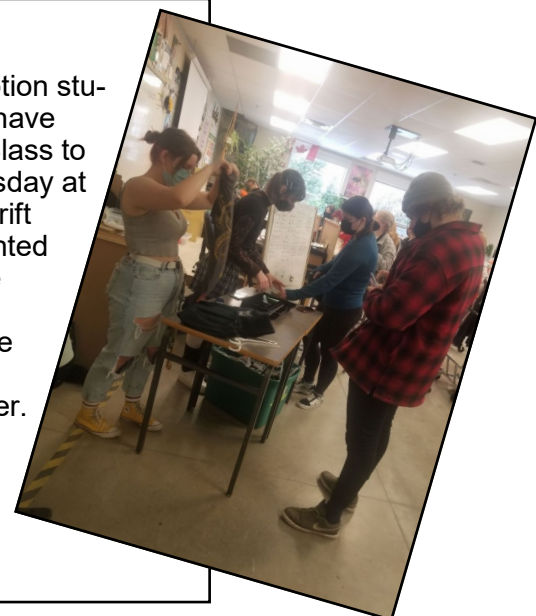
Due to the ongoing challenges presented by the pandemic, the Ministry of Education has cancelled the January administration session of the provincial graduation assessments that would have started next week. No Grade 12 students who are on track to graduate in the 2021/22 school year will be impacted by this cancellation. Further information on upcoming sessions will be provided by the Ministry of Education by mid-February, including a question and answer document to support conversations with students, parents and staff.



Thrifty Thursdays!

In an effort to promote sustainable consumption students in the Sustainable Development Club have partnered with the Environmental Science Class to start a school-based thrift store. Every Thursday at lunch, room 145 transforms into a pop-up thrift shop where students can either swap unwanted items for something new or simply purchase used goods. This past December, the shop made \$1000 profit, which was donated to the Kelowna Gospel Mission. January's partner organization is the Kelowna Women's Shelter.

Donations can be dropped at the office or room 145 anytime. If you would like more information, please contact: dayna.margetts@sd23.bc.ca.



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



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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.



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. Contact Mr. Bernhardsson for info.



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
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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.



Ministry of
Mental Health
and Addictions



Proud for Prom

A local organization called Proud for Prom is holding an event for grade 12 students can sign up to access previously-loved formal wear--dresses, suits, tuxedos, shoes-- all donated from the Kelowna community. The event is being held at Hollywood Road Education Center on February 19-20.

Space is limited and admission is by sign-up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d48a5af2ca0f8c52-proud>

You can find more information at <https://proudforprom.weebly.com/> and on Instagram at @proudforprom.



BC PSI - Important Application Deadlines

January - March 2022



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

Check out the KSS website
regularly!

SCHOOL DISTRICT #22

JEAN MINGUY MEMORIAL RCMP YOUTH ACADEMY

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

MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE:
SD22.BC.CA/PROGRAMS/SERVICES/CAREERS/
DMEYER@SD22.BC.CA

BRITISH COLUMBIA
WorkBC.ca

Career Exploration Conversations

A CAREER DEVELOPMENT WEBINAR FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS TO SUPPORT YOUTH

Wondering how to start a career conversation
with a young person in your family?
Looking for tools to help your youth discover
the career of their dreams?
WorkBC.ca can help!

BRITISH COLUMBIA
VIRTUAL WEBINAR THROUGH ZOOM
7 to 8 p.m.

February 8, 2022 March 1, 2022
February 17, 2022 March 10, 2022

Please select the one event date that works best for you.

JOIN US ON ZOOM!
Click on hyperlink to register.
This event is free. | For questions, contact the [WorkBC team](#).

WorkBC.ca is facilitating one-hour
interactive webinars to help parents
and guardians support youth as they
explore career options. The virtual
events are designed for parents of
grade 9-12 students to support career
conversations with their youth.

**Co-hosted by CES Career
Education Society**

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

greenbricks

GREEN COLLAR FUTURES

Free to Attend and lots of Prizes!

Virtual Career Conference for Students Grades 9-12

The "green economy" is changing the workplace in B.C. Learn about exciting and endless career opportunities.

More than a career fair, this conference connects you with dynamic people thriving in a green collar career.

You can win a \$500 scholarship!

Many careers represented like hydrologist, environmental lawyer, affordable housing developer, interior designer, landscape architect, sustainable fashion entrepreneur, robotics engineer, lighting physicist and sustainable financial advisor.

EVENT DETAILS

9:00am- 3:00pm
Saturday February 12th, 2022
Held virtually via Zoom

Registration is limited, and a school limit may apply. Register at:

www.greenbricks.ca

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The Path to UBC



Additional Info





**UNIVERSITY
OF ALBERTA**

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.



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UBC Geering Up
Engineering Outreach

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

**Grade 10-12
February 16th, 2022
UBC Okangan
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.

