



Whoo's News



December 11, 2020

TERM 3 EXTENSION

The School District has made the decision to delay the Term 3 changeover by one week at all High Schools in order to allow current learning groups to continue through to Winter Break. Term 3 will now continue to Dec 18th with Block 2 classes still in the morning and Block 4 classes in the afternoon. This adjustment is being made to reduce any risk of COVID-19 exposure to students and to their families prior to the Holiday Season.

In January, students will return to school to begin Term 4. Block 4 will then be the morning class and block 2 will be the afternoon class. All students should be aware of their Block 2 "A or B" placement. If they are confused, please ask that they contact their block 2 teacher as soon as possible. Through the changeover, schools will continue to follow the district safety plan and protocols as they have in previous term/quarter changeovers.

Monday, December 14	Tuesday, December 15	Wednesday, December 16	Thursday, December 17	Friday, December 18
Day 1 - 2/4 Group A	Day 1 - 2/4 Group B	Day 1 - 2/4 Group A	Day 1 - 2/4 Group B	Day 1 - 2/4 Group A



Monday, January 4, 2021
Day 2 - 4/2 Group B



Hello KSS community,

With only a few days left, we are almost at our goal for the **KSS PAC Fundraiser 2020** campaign! If you can give, please support our KSS students for awards, activities and school purchases that do not qualify for provincial funding. Thank you to all who have supported, and let's reach \$5k for KSS kids! Donate by December 15 at:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/kss-pac-fundraiser-2020>

Important news regarding the 2021 Interior Savings Western Canada Basketball Tournament

Kelowna Secondary returned to school this past fall with hopes that we would be able to run the 48th annual event in some form. We had our gymnasium set up with close circuit cameras and microphones in case we needed to proceed without our usual capacity of fans. This tournament is rich in a tradition that has made it one of the premiere tournaments in Canada. After much discussion and recent changes in the pandemic protocols, we have made the difficult decision to cancel the February 4, 5 and 6, 2021 tournament. We are not willing to put people's safety in jeopardy nor attempt to run an event that doesn't measure up to our high standards of excellence.

Sincerely, The Tournament Directors
and Kelowna Secondary school



Please Mark Your Calendar:

December 18	Term 3 (Q2) Ends
December 18	Last day of school before Winter Break
Dec. 21 - Jan. 1	Winter Break
January 4	First day back to school - Day 2 (Blocks 4 / 2) Group B

**DATES TO
REMEMBER**

Grade 12 Post Secondary Prep



WELCOME!

This information will be helpful for students as they navigate potential post-secondary options.



COBSS Corner

CENTRAL OKANAGAN BURSARY & SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY

About COBSS

The Central Okanagan Bursary and Scholarship Society (COBSS) is a charitable foundation with local **volunteers** coordinating financial assistance for our high school graduates for their post-secondary education.

We collect and administer money from area **donors** including community and school groups, businesses, and individuals. Through COBSS, local Grade 12 **students** can apply for over 550 awards. Criteria is set by the donor to recognize student achievement (such as citizenship, scholastic or athletic achievement) and/or to assist with financial need for further education.

New donors and volunteers are welcome!

Email us at COBSS@shaw.ca and visit our website at COBSS.sd23.bc.ca



Donor comments

As a recent University grad, I know the financial pressures on students are REAL! I donate to COBSS because I was given lots of help - and it's time for me to pay it forward.
GEM Miller Family Scholarship

At Strut, our loyal customers value education and round up on each of their purchases. As a result we are proud to allocate 4 awards to Central Okanagan graduates.
Shandi, Strut Footwear and Apparel



Important dates

November 25, 2020	donor deadline for 2021 awards
December 1, 2020	student online applications open
January 11, 2021	student applications due*
March 29, 2021	awards selection begins
June 2021	awards presented to grads

*ask your school counselor for details



Dear Grad Coordinator,

Thank you for choosing Mountain West Studios for providing graduation photos for the 2020-21 grad class.

The Grad Photo Session is booked as per the following schedule:

Graduation photos

Kelowna Secondary School

January 11th to 22nd, 2021

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 backgrounds 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:

- Women please wear V-Neck shirts or tank tops for your cap & gown photos. Avoid the use of sparkles in your hair and makeup.
- Hair and make-up should be done before you arrive, but bring supplies for touch-ups.
- Men please wear a Shirt & Tie for your cap & gown photos. Clean nails and styled, tidy hair.
- 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.
- 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

If you have any questions, please contact Mountain West Studios.

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Email: grads@mountainwest.ca



UBCO Geering Up All-Girls STEM Workshops GRADE 8-12 2020/2021

Registration Link: <https://geeringup.apsc.ubc.ca/all-girls-okanagan/>

As a reminder, these workshops take place from 4:00-6:00pm via Zoom and are offered for free, but the registration closes the Sunday before the session date for that specific grade level.

Design our Future (Grade 10) Wednesday Jan 27th

The Future of Tech (Grade 11) Thursday February 25th

Invitation to Create (Grade 8) Thursday March 11th



Grad Photos

It is time to sign up for a grad photo appointment! Grad photos will be taken after school at KSS from January 11-22. Please visit this website in order to sign up: <https://www.mountainwest.ca/>. At the top right, select "Book a Photo Session," and then follow the prompts to select a time and fill in a profile. **Ensure that your information is correct** as your photo proofs will be sent to your email.

Mountain West has only released the first week of appointments and will release the second week once the first has filled up, to avoid unfilled appointments at the end.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Mountain West will not be offering group photos or parents in the building during photo sessions, but students are encouraged to bring props and even pets, as long as a KSS student can hold them during the grad gown portion of the session.



High School Girls! Join us for Virtual STEM Events

All-Girls Events

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 professionals who will share their stories and experience.

Who & When?

Grade 12: Sustainability for our Future - Thursday Oct 29th, 2020
Grade 9: Robotics Today - Thursday Dec 3rd, 2020
Grade 10: Design our Future - Wednesday Jan 27th, 2021
Grade 11: The Future of Tech - Thursday Feb 25th, 2021
Grade 8: Invitation to Create - Thursday Mar 11th, 2021

How Do I Register For These Free Events?

<http://geeringup.ca/high-school/kelowna/all-girls>

* We have an inclusive view of the word 'girl' and we welcome trans, genderqueer, and non-binary folks interested in these workshops

Find out more at geeringup.ca

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MINDFUL MONDAYS @12PM IN ALL OF THE CHAOS, LET'S FIND SOME PEACE.

Register for this online mindfulness
workshop at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84461891234?pwd=ZkdldGprTsrH9LAVRberbJSORcThhTjYp>

FOUNDRY



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Summer Institute for Teens: July 5-30, 2021 (Online)

The Summer Institute for Teens (SIT) is an intensive pre-university program featuring small classes taught by professional, practicing artists to prepare students for the next step in their creative career. This immersive, one-month experience engages students through intensive studio practice and visual culture. The program culminates in a public exhibition of student work.

Students have a choice of 10 studios in a range of disciplines. No previous experience in the subject area is required, so students can choose to explore a new form or further their work in a favourite medium!

SIT 2021 online studio offerings:

- 2D Animation
- 3D Computer Animation
- Architecture + Environmental Design
- Communication Design
- Drawing
- Illustration: Digital
- Illustration: Traditional
- Industrial Design
- Media Arts
- Painting

For more information about the program and studios, including learning outcomes, please visit our website: www.ecuad.ca/academics/teen-programs/summer-institute-for-teens

Registration + Fees:

[Download the Registration Package](#) and send us the completed package by email at csreghelp@ecuad.ca. Note: Students must be between the ages of 16 and 18 or have completed Grade 10 as of July 1, 2020 to register.

Early Bird Fees (until Dec 13, 2020): \$1990 Domestic | \$2390 International
Regular Fees (until June 21, 2021): \$2390 Domestic | \$2790 International

Contact:

If you have any questions about the program, please email teens@ecuad.ca. For additional information on how to register, please email csreghelp@ecuad.ca.

BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

Create your own path with a career in Software Engineering

Do you want a career that allows you to make an impact, and that is part of one of the fastest growing and most in demand professions in Canada? Do you want to contribute to the ever-growing need for software based solutions across a variety of industries and professions?

With a focus on skill-based learning and a commitment to small class sizes, the Software Engineering program at TRU provides a hands-on experience led by industry professionals. By blending engineering, business, computing science, project management and quality assurance, students receive a well-rounded and multi-faceted education that equips them with skills needed for the workplace.

EXPERIENCE HANDS ON LEARNING

The program's focus on experiential learning includes two mandatory co-op work terms in the fourth year of the program, which puts students in the position to be a paid employee before graduation and have opportunities to test-drive the wide variety of career options available in software engineering.

Career Paths in Software Engineering

- Manufacturing
- Medicine
- Banking
- Entertainment
- Research
- Automobiles
- Technology companies such as Google, Amazon and Facebook

THE TRU SOFTWARE ENGINEERING ADVANTAGE

- Offers strong foundations in principles and practice of software systems development, and related computing technologies.
- Students develop knowledge of the tools, technical skills and competencies required to design, develop, test and maintain cycles of software products.
- Emphasis on project-based learning practices that apply theoretical concepts to practical problems.
- Co-op work terms to gain relevant, paid work experience in industry.
- One-year design capstone project from real world industry to gain in-depth experiential learning.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

First Year Entry

- BC Grade 12 (or equivalent).
- BC English 12 with a minimum of 67% (or equivalent).
- Pre-Calculus 12 with a minimum of 67% (or equivalent).
- Chemistry 12 with a minimum of 67% (or equivalent).
- Physics 12 with a minimum of 67% (or equivalent).

You may also be considered for second or third year direct entry if you have completed or partially completed first or second year science engineering or cognate department courses. Please contact Dr. Fahiem Ahmed for more information and evaluation at eng@tru.ca.

CONTACT US

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To apply for this program, visit tru.ca/admissions/apply

tru.ca/se



Plan, search, & apply to B.C. post-secondary institutions: <http://www.educationplannerbc.ca>

This information is *a guide*. Institutions may change entrance requirements without notification.

Students are responsible for researching and verifying all post-secondary entrance requirements for any institution they wish to attend.

UBC Admissions

