

Whoo's News



April 29, 2022

Attention Grads!



A reminder that **prom tickets** will be on sale in the KSS MPR at lunch on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday next week, May 3-5, for \$65. More information regarding menu items and payment options will come out via email Sunday evening.

Heads-up: Grads must be in a position to graduate and have no outstanding textbooks, library books, team or fees in order to purchase their tickets. **Students must check the Grade 12 list in the MPR to see if they are in a position to graduate.**

The winners of the 47th annual Civic and Community Awards were announced last night at the awards night held at the Laurel Packinghouse.

Congratulations to all finalists and recipients of the Civic & Community Awards who helped shine a positive light on our city in 2021.

The 47th annual Civic & Community Award winners from KSS are:



Bob Giordano Memorial Award

- Coach/Sport

Administrator of the Year

Mike Sodaro



Kelowna Secondary School Owls Boys Volleyball Team



Augie Ciancone Memorial Award – Young Male Athlete

Tie: Everett Schmuland & Nathan Loo



Young Citizen of the Year Award



City of Kelowna

47th Annual

Civic & Community Awards

April 28, 2022

Young Citizen of the Year

Finalist
DAVID WITHLER

David Withler holds an incredibly unique title - he's the youngest and most frequent plasma donor in Canada - this young man knows the importance of giving.

In addition to rolling up his sleeves to donate blood, he also supported numerous community initiatives in 2021 including volunteering at long-term care facilities and helped to raise awareness for the new Plasma Donor Centre in Kelowna.

David is also a passionate soccer player with a developed sense of discipline and teamwork. He served as a mentor to younger soccer players and refereed for many community games. David represented Kelowna at the 2019 International Children's Games for soccer.

David will be graduating this June from Kelowna Senior Secondary with a dual Dogwood diploma after completing the French Immersion Program.

2022 KSS Grad Information

Graduation:

The time has come to register for your June 4-5 walk across the stage at Kelowna Secondary School. Please follow this link: https://signup.com/go/JdZZSMV.

Some things to note:

- If you must alter your time, please be sure to cancel your original spot so that it opens up for other graduates.
- If you are booking a spot for your graduate, please confirm that they have not already signed up on their own.
- Use the email address that you check most often.
- Please do not book more than one spot unless you have two graduates.
- Please sign up using your graduate's preferred last name, then first name.
- Each graduate may bring 6 guests
- These stage-crossings will be recorded by a professional production company and released in full alphabetical order with valedictorian speeches on June 24. It will then be available to view for years ahead.
- Grads have the opportunity to sign up with their friends, but within those groups, they will cross the stage alphabetically.

<u>Valedictorian</u> - Both applications and nomination forms for valedictorian can be found outside room 193 this week. All applicants and nominees will undergo a rigorous interview and speech presentation process, and the finalists will be chosen by a panel of graduates and KSS staff. Applications are due to Ms. Culham in room 193 at 3:30pm this Friday, April 29, and nomination forms are due at 3:30pm on Thursday, April 28. The successful candidates will be announced at the prom on May 20.

<u>Prom</u> - After we released our exciting prom information last week, we received a handful of questions, which we will answer below. Our parent and staff committee has worked hard since November to create an event that is unique, safe, inclusive, and affordable while providing a formal celebration that our graduates deserve. KSS would like to thank those involved and those who have since volunteered to make this night a reality.

Q. Is this event prepared for adverse weather?

A. Yes. We have booked large marquis tents with sides to protect from rain. As weather during the month of May in Kelowna can be unpredictable, graduates should be prepared with umbrellas and sunscreen.

Q. Can my graduate's date from outside of the KSS graduating class walk with them on the promenade?

A. Yes! Anyone can participate in the walk; however, the size of our graduating class prevents us from accommodating outside guests for the prom event. We understand that this is unfavourable news for some, but it is an unavoidable result of having the largest graduating class in B.C.

Q. Does my graduate have to attend the prom in order to participate in the promenade?

A. No. All graduates are included in the promenade, and if they choose to celebrate in their own style with their dates, friends, or families, they will simply follow to the end of the promenade and exit once they reach Stuart Park.

Q. Is the cost of food included in the ticket price?

A. Yes! We have arranged for local food trucks to provide dinner and dessert for our grads, with a variety of vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free selections. When grads purchase their tickets in-person on May 3, 4, and 5, they will have the chance to select their options then so that the companies can be prepared for our orders. We have purposely selected food options that will not lead to ruined formal-wear.

Q. Can the grads purchase additional food?

A. Unfortunately not. Stuart Park is part of the Sawmill Trust, which means that no commerce can take place on-site.

Q. What does the ticket cost include?

A. The \$65 ticket covers dinner, dessert, beverages, rental of the venue, security, fencing, DJ, decorations, tables, chairs, tents, and a professional photobooth and roving photographer.

Q. What about students who cannot afford the ticket?

A. The goal of the Spring Fling on April 13 was so that proceeds could go toward ensuring that any graduate whose attendance at the prom would be prohibited by cost would have an opportunity. Please contact dayna.culham@sd23.bc.ca for more information.

Q. Will there be a coat check?

A. Event organizers will not take responsibility for graduates' belongings. There will be tables and chairs on which to leave belongings and roving security, as well as parental supervision.

Q. Will there be washrooms?

A. Yes! While we do not have access to public washrooms, we have arranged for porta-potties that will be gender-neutral and which will allow ample space for large dresses.

Please contact KSS reception with any questions, and you will be forwarded to the appropriate person.

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Please stay tuned for specific logistical information



. . that PAC meetings are one of the best ways for parents to find out what is happening at KSS? The KSS PAC Annual General Meeting is Tuesday, May 10th at 6:30 pm. It is our last meeting of the school year. We will be meeting in person in the KSS library at 6:30pm and by Zoom, for anyone wishing to attend remotely. We will be holding elections for all PAC Executive Committee positions. For a list of positions, please see the PAC page on the KSS website.

All positions are open for nominations and are for a one-year term. All parents and guardians of current KSS students are voting members of the PAC and eligible to hold an executive position. For more information or to make a nomination, please email kss.pac@sd23.bc.ca. We hope to see you on the 10th!!

T.O.U.G.H. PEOPLE WIN!



BeT.O.U.G.H.!

GO OWLS!

2022 KSS Football Registration

KSS Football registration has begun for the 2022 season! We welcome Grade 10s and 11s to sign up to be part of a championship program! No experience necessary! If you want to be part of something special and are committed to being T.O.U.G.H., this is the place for you!

Attached is the registration package that must be completed and handed in before participating. Completed forms can also be scanned and emailed to chris.cartwright@sd23.bc.ca.

Important Dates:

Spring Camp: Monday, May 30th, 2022 - Friday, June 10th, 2022

Spring Scrimmages: JV - Monday, June 13th, 2022 Varsity - Tuesday June 14th, 2022 @ RSS - 6PM

Training Camp: Monday, August 22, 2022 - Friday, September 2nd, 2022

All practice times are from 5PM - 7PM on the KSS Fields.

For more information, please connect with Mr. Cartwright: chris.cartwright@sd23.bc.ca.

Be T.O.U.G.H.!

GO OWLS!

Prom Tickets are on sale next week!!

You must pay all your outstanding fees AND return any outstanding books to purchase a ticket!

Check your fees online here

Visit the Library or Textbook room to ask about books

Check Your fees Today!



The public performance will be on Saturday, April 30th at First Lutheran Church, Kelowna, 7:30 p.m.

Here is the ticket link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ together-tickets-305190311437 Masks are requested Three amazing and award winning youth choirs are travelling to Kelowna April 28-May1, to sing with each other, to work with local school choirs, and to put on a public performance. This will be one concert that you definitely don't want to miss! It involves Vancouver Youth Choir (Vancouver), Kokopelli Youth Choir (Edmonton), Corazón Youth Choir (Nelson), and will also feature the Kelowna Secondary School Choir.

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Connect with professors, students, and staff. Take a deep dive into specific programs and learn more about being a student at Okanagan College.

Tuesday, May 3 - Trades Night

Let's talk Trades! Entry-level programs, the apprenticeship system, financial incentives for tradespeople, and an overview of foundation programs. Participants will have the opportunity to view simulations and tour the trade shops. Come explore the options available to you. Whether you are seeking Red Seal certification or one-time specialty industry training, education at OC sets you up for a successful career! Location: Kelowna Campus I 1000 KLO Road I Trade Building

Thursday, May 5 - Health and Social Development Night

Meet the needs of families and communities in a meaningful way with a career in care or social development. Hands-on programs prepare students for careers in a variety of settings, including hospital and community nursing, long-term care, home care, social services, non-profit societies, children's daycares and more. This night will provide you with the opportunity to most instructors and dallo into different porgram areas. to meet instructors and delve into different program areas. Location: Kelowna Campus | 1000 KLO Road | HS Building

Tuesday, May 10 – Arts Night

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Studying Arts is to study the world. Attend one of our discussion panels with OC Arts faculty exploring critical issues facing the world today, climate change, politice, colonialism, class, gender, creativity and individuality.

No matter what matters most to you, or what kind of student you are, Arts can help you get where you want to go.

The new Applied Bachelor of Arts: Community Research and Evaluation Degree prepares you for meaningful careers in a variety of sectors including government and non-profits. Or if you are looking for a different credential, complete two years of university studies with the Associate of Arts Degree or a diploma program and transfer to third year at another institution.

Location: Kelowne Campus I 1000 KLO Road I E Building

Wednesday, May 11 - Business and Office Administration Night

Did you know: 97 per cent of Okanagan College Business graduates are employed within six months of graduation? Learn about the advantages of completing your business degree, diploma or certificate at OC. Specialize your learning with a variety of options and learn how that can lead to different types of jobs, studying abroad and co-op opportunitiess.

Location: Kelowna Campus I 1000 KLO Road I E Building

Tuesday, May 17 - Science and Engineering Technologies Night

STEM fields of study are growing in demand – learn about the countless opportunities evallable for careers in Science and Engineering Technologies. Study the physical and material world through experiments and hands-on learning in OC's Associates of Science Degree or diploma programs. Learn about the need for engineering technologists in a variety of fields. Location: Kelowna Campus I 1000 KLO Road I E & C Building

5:30 - 7:30 p.m. | Kelowna Campus | 1000 KLO Road

Additional details:

- Apply for admission at the events for free.
 Free parking, snacks and refreshments.
- Learn about OC's Indigenous Services, Financial Aid and Awards and how Accessibility Services can support you through your academic life.
 Parents and friends welcome.

okanagan.bc.ca/infosessions



Volunteers needed for Special Olympics Swim Meet!

Local Kelowna swim athletes will be competing to qualify for World Championships and volunteers are needed as timers, runners and marshalls.

What: Special Olympics Swim Meet

When: Saturday, May 7, 2022

Time: 8:30am sharp until 1:00pm (5 hrs. given for 30 hrs. Grad requirement)

Where: H2O Recreation Center (4075 Gordon Drive)

Duties: Timers, Runners and Marshalls

Requirements: 16 years+, proof of double vaccination. Masks

are recommended but not mandatory.

Deadline: Visit the Career Centre by Monday, May 2nd at noon



SUMMER STUDENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for CAMP OC

July 4th - August 26th, 2022 Okanagan College, Kelowna Campus Visit the Career Centre for more information





Construction Electrician Foundation & Youth Explore Sampler 11/12 Showcase Event

> WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2022 event kicks off at 12:00pm* BCIT Graham Road Campus 775 Graham Road | Kelowna, BC

*pizza & light refreshments will be served during the event

RSVP to <u>dave@skillsready.ca</u> by May 6th. We look forward to seeing you!











NEXT STEPS FOR UVIC APPLICANTS

FROM HIGH SCHOOLS IN CANADA 2022

Thanks for applying to Canada's top comprehensive university—the University of Victorial 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 unic.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. <u>uvic.ca/application</u>
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 <u>uvic.ca/residence</u>.

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 UNc and enable you to register for classes, uyicca/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 <u>canada.ca/immigration</u>. 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 <u>uvic.ca/final-grades</u>



DISCOVER YOUR PITCH

Pitch your business. Win money.

An exclusive virtual investor pitch competition for B.C. students in grades 10-12.

- April 2022 workshops
- May 2022 pitch practices & provincial finals

Free of Charge
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Prerequisite: JA Be Entrepreneurial or Company Program







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THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Undergraduate Programs and Admissions



We are hard at work evaluating the more than 55,000 applications that we received for the upcoming Winter Session. Admission decisions are made on a rolling basis and some students have now received their offers.

Maintaining offers of admission

UBC offers of admission result from a comprehensive assessment of a student's academic and personal profiles. Offers are conditional. Once final grades are available, we will review these to ensure students have:

- completed secondary school with a high school diploma,
- completed the course requirements for the degree to which they were offered admission
- maintained the level of academic standing upon which the offer of admission was made.

Learn more about maintaining an offer admission

Applicant grade information in the SSC

There is a known technical error with the high school record section of the Student Service Centre (SSC). As a result, what can be seen in an applicant's

account doesn't accurately reflect the information we have on record for their application. Please inform your students to disregard the information listed in the high school record section. Our apologies for any confusion.

Important Deadlines

Housing Applications: May 1



Admission Acceptance: May 1 or June 1*

depending on program and campus



Supporting students through their next steps

Vancouver students

Vancouver students are assigned an individual Enrolment Services Advisor (ESA) who will personally introduce themselves by email shortly after the May 1st admissions acceptance deadline. For questions about degree planning and courses, students should connect with their faculty's academic advising office.

Okanagan students

Okanagan students are supported by a <u>Student Services team</u> who can help with a full suite of topics ranging from student loans to academic advising. To connect with a member of the Okanagan team, students can call, email or book an advising appointment online.

Registration deposit deferral for Indigenous applicants

If a student self-identifies as an Indigenous person of Canada in their UBC application, their registration deposit will be automatically deferred. This is part of UBC's effort to support students who are being funded by third parties, including their band or Nation. This bloq post covers everything you need to know about deferrals for all students.

Click the blue button (below) to learn more about the in-person and virtual summer camp programs happening in July. The deadline to apply is Sunday, May 1st, 2022 at 11:59PM PST.

2022 / 2023 School Calendar

Days in session	189
,	(3 summer Pro Days August 29, 30, 31)
Number of days of instruction	182
Number of non-instructional days	7
Schools open	Tuesday, September 6
National Day of Truth and Reconciliation (schools closed)	Friday, September 30
Administrative Implementation Day	Friday, October 7
Thanksgiving Day (schools closed)	Monday, October 10
Teacher Professional Day	Friday, October 21
Remembrance Day (schools closed)	Friday, November 11
Winter vacation period (schools closed)	Monday, December 19 – Monday, January 2
In lieu of New Year's Day January 1 (schools closed)	Monday, January 2
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Tuesday, January 3
Teacher Professional Day (Support Staff In-Service Day)	Friday, February 17
Family Day	Monday, February 20
Spring vacation period (schools closed)	Monday, March 20 – Friday, March 31
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Monday, April 3
Good Friday (schools closed)	Friday, April 7
Easter Monday (schools closed)	Monday, April 10
Victoria Day (schools closed)	Monday, May 22
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Friday, June 30



SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

Do you have a passion to work with children or youth, enjoy driving and excited to have the holidays and summers off with your children?

Central Okanagan Public School District is in need of professional drivers to operate our school bus routes

For more information contact Transportation Services 250-870-5151 or email us at transportation@sd23.bc.ca

To apply

Scan the QR code or use the link: https://bit.ly/SD23BusDrivers



Completed Grade 10
A valid Class 1 or 2 B.C. Driver's License with Air Brake Endorsemen







VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Great races don't happen without great volunteers!

Volunteer Roles Available:

Race Kit Pickup volunteers | Course Marshals | Water Station Marshals Swag Bag/Food Tent volunteers | Finish line volunteers

All volunteers will receive a Volunteer T-shirt and the famous Run for Women Swag Bag!

Sign up to volunteer at

https://www.runforwomen.ca/Cities/Kelowna.aspx

Mental Health. The only way there is together.





MAY 15, 2022Stuart Park







Our fun and educational camps are full of interactive activities and adventures. Campers will enjoy small class sizes with experienced teachers guiding them through theme based weeklong camps. Camp OC is a great place to engage kids in their interests and passions or ignite new sparks in areas such as engineering, arts, science, technology, trades, outdoor activities and culinary arts. Whatever their interests, we are sure they will find it here!

For more information or to register, please go to www.campoc.ca



Get in the game this summer with UBCO sport camps

Led by nationally recognized coaches and student athletes, UBCO's Heat Summer Sport Camps offer a fun-filled week of skill development for kids aged 6 to 18. These camps are a great way to introduce youth to a sport or help them improve their techniques. Camp programming includes golf, basketball, volleyball, running, cycling, and more.

Camps are set to run in July and August, and registration is now open. Click here to learn more.

Summary: What to Do When Sick

If you have symptoms of illness, stay home.

Most people don't need testing for COVID-19. Use BCCDC Self-Assessment Tool, or connect with 8-1-1 or your health care provider to find out if a COVID-19 test is recommended.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include:

Fever or chills
Cough
Loss of sense of
smell or taste

Difficulty breathing Sore throat Loss of appetite Sneezing Extreme fatigue or tiredness Headache

vomiting Diarrhea

Body aches

Nausea or

Go to an emergency department or call 911 if you:

- Find it hard to breathe
- Have chest pain
- · Can't drink anything
- Feel very sick
- Feel confused

If you have MILD SYMPTOMS

Runny nose

(or have tested negative) STAY HOME.

For most people, testing is not recommended.

Mild symptoms can be managed at home.

If you TEST POSITIVE: SELF ISOLATE

- 1. Complete an online form to report your test result
- 2. Manage your own symptoms
- 3. Let your household contacts know

Return to School/Work

Stay home until you feel well enough to return to your regular activities.

If you are fully vaccinated OR less than 18 years of age

You can end isolation and return to school/work when all conditions are met:

- At least 5 days have passed since your symptoms started, or from test date if you did not have symptoms.
- Fever has resolved without the use of feverreducing medication, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
- 3. Symptoms have improved

You should avoid non-essential visits to higher risk settings such as long-term care facilities and gatherings for another 5 days after ending isolation.

If you are 18 years of age or older AND not fully vaccinated

You can end isolation and return to school/work when all conditions are met:

- At least 10 days have passed since your symptoms started, or from test date if you did not have symptoms.
- Fever has resolved without the use of fever-reducing medication, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
- 3. Symptoms have improved.

If you still have symptoms

Continue to isolate longer if you still have a fever or are not feeling better.

If you are unsure or concerned connect with your health care provider or call 8-1-1.

What to do if someone is sick in your household:

You can continue to attend school if someone in your household is sick and/or self-isolating as long as you do not have any symptoms of illness and feel well. This includes if they have tested positive for COVID-19. Ensure you closely monitor yourself (or your child) for symptoms of illness and stay home if you feel unwell. The best way to protect yourself and your family from COVID-19 is to get vaccinated. Vaccines are available for anyone ages 5 and up. Register now at:

Getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca