



## Announcements – Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Ey-tsway-el, Stars! Today is Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>,  
and the block order is B-A-D-C

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### Territorial Land Acknowledgement (Monday Opening)

We respectfully acknowledge that our school is on the shared, unceded traditional territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Snokomish, Semiahmoo and other Coast Salish Peoples—the stewards of this land since time immemorial. We highlight this history knowing that relationships and partnerships based on respect with the Indigenous peoples of this land is critical in furthering truth and reconciliation.

### INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE WEEK

★ Have you have wondered what the “2S” is in the acronym, LGBTQIA2S? Today’s Indigenous Knowledge fact is all about the term, “Two-Spirit.” Two-Spirit, a translation of the Anishinaabemowin (Ah-nish-naah-be-mow-in) term *niizh manidoowag*, (neez man-i-doo-wag) refers to a person who embodies both a masculine and feminine spirit. The concept of two-spirit was first introduced by Elder Myra Laramie and activist Albert McLeod helped develop the term in 1990 at a convention in Winnipeg to broadly reference Indigenous peoples in the LGBTQ+ community. Two-spirit is used by some Indigenous peoples to describe their gender, sexual and spiritual identity and can only be used by Indigenous peoples.

### CAREER CENTRE

- ★ The BCIT 2025 Biotechnology Career Awareness program is now accepting applications from students in Gr. 10-12 who have a keen interest in science and wish to explore how Biology can be applied to real-world challenges. Drop by the Career Centre for more information. **(Expire Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>)**
- ★ The “Jill of All Trades” event at BCIT is designed for female students in Gr. 9-12 who are interested in exploring skilled trades up close. Participants will have the chance to learn about various professions, including Ironworking, Machining, Cabinetmaking, Digital Communication and more. This all-day event will take place at the BCIT campus. For further details and to apply, please visit the Career Centre. **(Expire Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>)**
- ★ Attention Gr. 9 students. Your final Careers 9 assignment has now been posted to your Careers 9 Teams. This is your volunteerism assignment and will help prepare you for future activities in Gr. 11 and 12. The deadline to submit is March 7<sup>th</sup>. Please check your Careers 9 Teams for details and as always, stop into the Career Centre if you have any questions. **(Expire Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>)**
- ★ A reminder to students applying for district career programs and academic dual credit courses. Please watch your Teams chat for important updates over the next week about site visits and application next steps. **(Expire Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>)**

### COUNSELLING

- ★ Capilano University in North Vancouver is holding their Info Night Event tomorrow from 5:30pm–8pm. Students and parents from Gr. 10–12 are encouraged to check out this opportunity. Capilano has some unique programs such as Tourism Management, the Paralegal program, Engineering transfer, and is especially known for its many programs in Theatre, Music, and Animation. See your counsellor for further information. **(Expire Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>)**

### SPORTS

- ★ **Soccer Intramurals**—Soccer Intramurals are kicking off soon in the large gym! Games are 8 minutes long, played full court, with teams of 6-8. There are separate Gr. 8/9 and Gr. 10-12 division. The season starts on April 7<sup>th</sup>, so sign up by March 11<sup>th</sup> at the water fountain by the large gym and be part of the action! See you there, Stars!
- ★ **Flag Football**—Flat football tryouts will be held on Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:45pm on the lower field. See Ms. Hill with any questions.
- ★ **Senior Girls & Boys Badminton**—Senior girls Gr. 11 and 12 badminton team tryouts are today right after school. Senior boys tryouts are tomorrow, Thursday, right after school.

## **CLUBS**

- ★ **Eco-Club**—Eco-club is currently hosting a book drive. We have sent boxes to all parts of the school for you to put your old books into. We are accepting any types of books. Give the gift of knowledge, donate books today!
- ★ **Tutoring Club**—Are you struggling with a subject? Need help with homework or test prep? Join the tutoring club! Get one-on-one support from experienced tutors in a friendly, stress-free environment. Whether it's Math, Science, English or any other subject, we've got you covered. Come on Wednesdays at lunch in room B206.

## **THE GALAXY STORE**

- ★ Stop by The Galaxy Store today in the lower B-wing and check out all your favourites. From treats, sweets and sour to freezing cold drinks, we have something for everyone to enjoy. Swing by to treat yourself!

## **CAFETERIA**

- ★ **The specials today are:**
  - Chili w/ Garlic Toast
  - Cheese Pizza
  - Pasta Rosé

**These have been your morning announcements – Hai-tsep-ka, Stars!**