



CLOVERDALE LEARNING CENTRE

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MR. VIM VALERA, PRINCIPAL
NOVEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Students of the Cloverdale Learning Centre:

As hard as it is to believe, December is almost upon us and time has definitely flown by so far this year. As always, we have had a busy start to the school year with lots going on.

It was wonderful to begin the year with almost no changes to our staff this year. A familiar face rejoined us and we welcomed Robert back as an EA to help out with our math students. It was certainly a busy start in September and early October as almost 40 new students started at CLC, one of our highest number of intakes in recent years!

This year, we are continuing with our school focus on improving student attendance, progress and building positive relationships. During two professional days over the summer, staff worked hard to develop plans to adjust our orientation process for new students and to bring in purposeful discussions and activities about growth mindsets in classes. The orientation process is meant to make students feel more comfortable and enable them to socialize with other students and staff at CLC.

Students and staff have participated in some amazing activities since the beginning of the school year including:

- Staff attending a professional day presentation by Shenny Nanji (one of our district helping teachers) who provided great ideas for incorporating Social Emotional Learning into teachers' assessment practices. We also had a presentation from Carolyn Sousa, a Aboriginal Department helping teacher, about incorporating Indigenous Principals of Learning in our classes
- Student and staff participated in the annual Orange Shirt Day and Terry Fox Run
- Students had an opportunity to attend a field trip to the Seymour Watershed again this year
- Students and staff also took part in a Remembrance Day assembly to pay respect to the veterans and armed forces personnel for their sacrifices in keeping our country safe

We are also continuing with initiatives introduced last year to support students and their learning:

- Partnership with Cobs Breads, who donates breads and other baked goods for CLC students
- The Path to Graduation Program with the goal of students completing a total of 400 courses this school year
- Monthly prize draws for students completing courses during that month
- Student reflection and self-assessment of core competencies

Our PAC had their first meeting of the year on October 15 and we had some new members joining us. We are pleased that Tania Wong has agreed to continue as chairperson and we welcome new members Leanne Cassap and Monica Wright. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday Feb 12 at 7 PM and I would like to welcome you to join us for that meeting.

As we head toward Winter Break, report cards were published to the parent portal and parent teacher interviews were held on Nov 21. The next important event is our annual Christmas meal. This year, the staff have decided to try something different and we will be inviting **all** students (morning and afternoon classes) to join us for breakfast on Thursday Dec 19 at 9:00 AM. This will be followed by some fun activities and all students will be dismissed at 12 noon.

Looking ahead, our last day of classes before Winter Break will be on Thursday Dec 19 and school will reopen on Monday January 6. I want to thank all parents and guardians for their continued support to ensure the success for your children's education at CLC.

Sincerely,
Vim Valera, Principal

SCHOOL CALENDAR – 2019/2020

December 1, 2019	Cloverdale Parade of Lights – with <u>student fundraiser</u> in front of CLC
December 19, 2019	Annual Christmas Brunch
December 19, 2019	Last Day of Classes before Winter Break
December 23, 2019	Winter Break Begins
January 3, 2020	Winter break Ends
January 6, 2020	School reopens after winter break
January 23-24, 2020	Semester Completion Days
January 24, 20120	End Of Semester 1
February 5, 2020	Formal Report #3 Issued
February 17, 2020	Family Day / School Closed
February 18-20, 2020	Altered Schedule
February 21, 2020	Non-instructional day
March 2-5, 2020	Interim Report Week
March 16 - 20, 2020	Spring break
March 23 - 27, 2020	School closure days
March 30, 2020	School Re-opens after Spring Break
April 10, 2020	Good Friday / School Closed
April 13, 2020	Easter Monday / School Closed
April 23, 2019	Parent Teacher Interviews / Formal Report #3
April 30, 2020	No classes, NID in lieu day
May 1, 2020	Non-instructional day
May 18, 2020	Victoria Day / School Closed
May 25, 2020	Non-instructional day
June 11, 2020	Early Dismissal / Graduation Ceremonies
June 18, 2020	Last Day of Classes
June 22-25, 2020	Semester Completion Days
June 26, 2020	Administrative day/School closed

PROVINCIAL ASSESSMENT DATES 2019/2020

Below you will find the schedule of exams that are offered at the Cloverdale Learning Centre. A complete listing of exams for the province is available at www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams

Wednesday	January 22, 2020	English 12 (2018/19 students)	9am
Wednesday	January 22, 2020	Numeracy & Literacy 10 (TBD)	9am / 1 pm
Thursday	January 23, 2020	Communications 12 (18/19 students)	9am
Thursday	January 23, 2020	Numeracy & Literacy 10 (TBD)	9am / 1 pm
Thursday	April 16, 2020	Numeracy Assessment 10 (TBD)	9am / 1 pm
Thursday	April 16, 2020	Literacy Assessment 10 (TBD)	9am / 1 pm
Friday	April 17, 2020	Numeracy Assessment 10 (TBD)	9am / 1 pm
Friday	April 17, 2020	Literacy Assessment 10 (TBD)	9am / 1 pm
Monday	June 22, 2020	English 12 (2018/19 students)	9am
Monday	June 22, 2020	English First Peoples (18/19 students)	1 pm
Tuesday	June 23, 2020	Communications 12 (18/19 students)	9am

COURSE COMPLETIONS: Sept 9, 2019 – Nov 22, 2019

Shayla B. (2)
Mackenzie B. (2)
Ryleigh B. (2)
Tyler B. (1)
Saurabh C. (1)
Dakoda C. (1)
Dylan C. (1)
Emma C. (1)
Julia F. (2)
Jake G. (1)
Sukhman G. (1)
Daltyn H. (1)
Samantha H. (1)
Ryan H. (1)
Kaila J. (1)
Gursaajan K. (1)

Raina K. (2)
Jake K. (1)
Brandon K. (2)
Peyton K. (1)
Joseph L. (1)
Brendan L. (1)
Kiara L. (2)
Manmeet M. (1)
Paola M. (1)
Emily M. (2)
Nick M. (1)
Hannah M. (1)
Austin M. (2)
Liam M. (1)
Harleen N. (1)
Julie P. (3)

Arshia P. (3)
Ethan P. (1)
Musharrat R. (1)
Eduard R. (1)
Brian R. (1)
Josh R. (1)
Samuel S. (1)
Brayden S. (1)
April S. (2)
Cole S. (1)
Jack U. (1)
Avery V. (4)
Moirra W. (1)
Moses W. (1)

Each month we have a draw for prizes. All students that have completed courses are eligible to win – the more courses they complete, the more opportunity they have to win!!

GRADUATES OF 2019/2020



The graduation ceremony will be held at:
Gracepoint Community Church
3487 King George Blvd, Surrey, BC
On Thursday, June 11th 2020
Grads arrive 5pm and ceremonies run 6pm – 7:30pm



LIBRARY CORNER – *Foray Co.*

I would like to remind everyone that if you are finished using a book from the school library or workbooks from class that they please be returned promptly when no longer actively being used, as other students may need those resources. Students remember to check for new books in the CLC library regularly. Suggestions for books we are missing that others may like to read are always welcome.

Also students please remember we have a cell phone charging locker available to use during class to help keep your minds focused on class work all the while you end up having a well charged device after class is finished.

Students that missed the September school photos and still need a Translink fare-saver card and Graduates of this year ready to get their photo taken for the school grad wall please come see me in the library. The camera & lights will remain ready for photos until winter break and then will be taken down until at least February.

Still Available: Computer DVD's and downloadable zip files containing the 2018/19 school years' activities including the graduation ceremonies and year end video can be obtained for free from the CLC library.

CAREERS DEPARTMENT REPORT — *Charlene Egitto*

➤ City of Surrey Mentorship Program

Congratulations to Julie P. and Bijan L. who were successful applicants for the City of Surrey Mentorship Program. They are both currently volunteering 100 hours for a 3 week work experience with the City of Surrey.

Julie is working at City Hall in the Engineering Admin department while Bijan is working in drainage for the Streets Central Engineering Department!

Good Luck to Julie and Bijan. Cloverdale Learning Centre is very proud of your initiative and hard work!



➤ Certificate Training

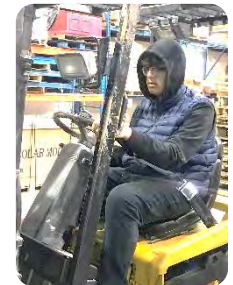
Congratulations to the students who took advantage of the Vancity Certificate Training programs. This is an opportunity for students from CLC to get certifications at no cost to the student.

First Aid: Julie P. - Dakota C. - Jordan R.

Fork Lift Counter Balance: Kevin R. - Cameron M.

Foodsafe: Kiara L. - Harleen B. - Julie P.

Fork Lift Powered Pallet: Bijan L. - Cameron M.



➤ Work Experience

Congratulations to Julie P, Kiara L, Jordan R, Moses W, Shayla B, Cole S and Hannah B. These Students have completed over 100 hours each of work experience and earned 4 credits for WEX12 towards graduation!

SPORTS NEWS — *John Collis*

So far this year students have enjoyed taking part in our Inter-Learning Centre Volleyball Tournament and have been using the Cloverdale Recreation Centre for P.E. Next up will be our Basketball Tournament on Wednesday, February 5th happening at the Chuck Bailey Recreation Centre. All students are welcome to take part. Let John know if you are interested in attending.

TERRY FOX RUN / WALK - *Tracey Lane*

This year we participated as a school in a walk in the community and raised money for Terry Fox. The students raised \$110 dollars and with matching by Tracey and then Vim the school donated \$300.00 this year. Thank you to all the students who donated and to those who walked and participated in this great annual event.

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM - *Tracey Lane*

This year we had a small but fun team of young ladies who participated in 1 run or 3 runs around the community. Congratulations to Harleen and Moira who represented the Cobras at the district meets. Special recognition goes out to Moira who stayed with a runner from another school who was feeling ill and finished with her. Way to show the importance of sportsmanship and comradery!

SEYMOUR CAPILANO FIELDTRIP - *Tracey Lane*



This year on a rainy day we headed off to Seymour Capilano watershed to learn about where our drinking water comes from and the importance of protecting this valuable resource. The students who joined us were also introduced to a whole bunch of new and exciting career options that they can pursue when they finish high school. Hopefully we all learned the importance of water conservation – despite the amount of rain we get, we all need to do our part to ensure our reservoirs stay full and clean!



REMEMBRANCE DAY — *Tracey Lane*



This year we held our Remembrance Day assembly at the Legion here in Cloverdale. Students had an opportunity to buy poppies leading up to the ceremony and support the veterans. The ceremony allows us all to reflect on the sacrifices of those who have served and continue to serve our country overseas and at home.



SCHOOL FEES & Optional Enhancements – 2019/2020

Basic Student Fee:

Student Activity Fee

\$25

✓ *Many students' yearly activity fee is outstanding. Please ask the office if uncertain. Go Card's will be handed out upon payment. This is needed for many field trips and in-school functions. If you are unable to pay, please contact the office or principal.*

Graduation Ceremony

Grad Fee (For students graduating this year) \$15

Deposits for Textbooks
Workbooks

(Refundable upon return and withdrawal) \$50
Loaned to students and offered for sale to students at cost




Other Fees:

- Calculators are available to borrow in class.
- Fine Arts supplies are available to purchase at cost, or can be purchased by the student at the vendor of choice.
- Field Trips, Outings and Training (Superhost, Foodsafe, CPR). These options are available to all students at a subsidized cost, and are not a required component of courses for graduation.

ONLINE FEE PAYMENT

Coming Soon – Keep checking the CLC website. In the near future we will announce the ability to pay online at <https://surreyschools.schoolcashionline.com/>
- [Help](#) sheet available on our homepage under publications -

SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULE FOR 2019/2020

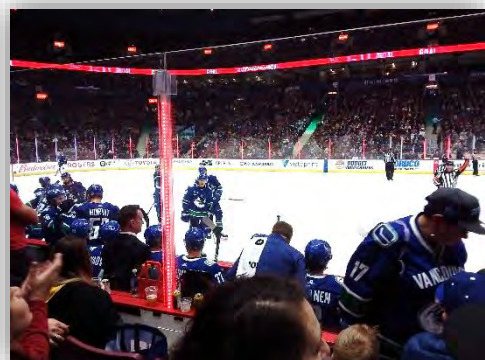
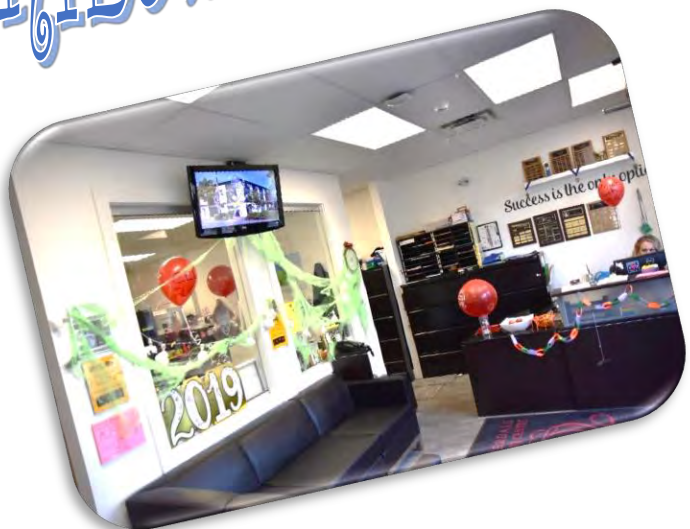
	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	Friday	<u>Early Dismissal Days</u>
8:40 – 10:10	Period 1	Prep Day	Period 1 8:45 – 9:55am
10:20 – 11:45	Period 2	9:00am – 12pm	Period 2 10:05 – 11:15am
11:45 – 12:25	Lunch		LUNCH
12:25 – 1:51	Period 3		Period 3 11:55am – 1:05pm
2:00 – 3:25	Period 4		Period 4 1:15 – 2:25pm

THE HAPPENINGS - *Wendy Macdonald*

- ✚ Cobs Bread in South Surrey is continuing their generous support this year. We have asked the students to think of the environment and bring in their own containers and fill up! Pick up dates are November 26, December 10, January 7, 21, February 4, 18, March 3, 17, April 14, 28, May 11, 25, and June 9th.
- ✚ The Student Leadership Committee will be doing a fundraiser selling hot chocolate, popcorn and pop at this year's Cloverdale Parade of Lights on Sunday, December 1st from 5-6 p.m. Please stop by and see us and Santa! All proceeds go to our Path-to-Grad program.
- ✚ A huge thank you to Kids Up Front for the numerous amount of tickets to concerts, Canucks, BC Lions and Giants games, Ballet BC theatre and Cirque du Soleil. Jay K. and Kiara L. and myself enjoyed a wonderful WE Day 'Evening of Inspiration' on Monday, November 18th downtown at the Marriott Parq Hotel. Speakers, musicians and culinary delights made it a memorable experience. Moira W. went to Rogers Arena for the full WE Day event the following day.
- ✚ The collection of bottles is ongoing. If you have any refundable please take them to the Cloverdale Recycling Depot located at 5534-176th St. and just ask the staff to apply your donation to the Cloverdale Learning Centre Account. We appreciate your contribution.
- ✚ Get your courses completed! The next Path-to-Grad draw, which includes GLOW passes and dinner out, will be held on Monday, December 2nd. And we will draw for December course completions during our Christmas Brunch on December 19th. Students must be in attendance to receive their prize.



MEMORIES!!!



October 22, 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Re: Community Youth Activities “Grad Pranks”

We share the pride of accomplishment and look forward to joining you in congratulating the class of 2020. However, in past years there have been troubling incidents of unsafe behaviour and acts of vandalism involving youth in our neighbourhoods participating in reckless events, often characterized as grad activities. Such events are a trend, not just in our school district but in other communities as well. We are asking for your help in ensuring your son or daughter is aware that unsafe and unacceptable behaviours can have serious consequences.

It is important that we work together to ensure that our young people do not take part in, condone, provoke, encourage, or support:

- *bullying, cyberbullying, harassment, threat(s) or intimidation*
- *violence of any form*
- *verbal, physical or sexual abuse*
- *discrimination in any form*
- *theft*
- *unsafe or dangerous activities*
- *vandalism*
- *possession or use of intoxicating or banned substances*
- *possession or use of weapons (or replica weapons) and explosives*

Youth involved in these types of activities may face criminal and school consequences, including losing the privilege to attend extra-curricular events such as the grad ceremony and banquet. Students may also face suspension from school and/or criminal charges. Given that positive citizenship is often considered in selection for school and district scholarships, poor decisions can also impact those award possibilities. Parents are also financially responsible for damage caused by their children – please see the attached School Act excerpt. We ask that you understand the school’s and district’s position in taking the necessary disciplinary steps in circumstances where inappropriate behaviour occurs.

We also fully support your decision to not permit your son or daughter to attend unsupervised events. We often hear about camping trips, parties or trips to vacation spots like Whistler which are not organized by the district, parents or the school. Our shared goal of safety for all of our young people is compromised when these events occur. Please contact the school administration if you are uncertain about the status of an event. We would be happy to clarify if this is an event supported by the school or the district. Each year in B.C. there are tragic events associated with “grad activities” that could be avoided through increased awareness and clear expectations.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,



Jordan Tinney
Superintendent of Schools/CEO



Dwayne McDonald
Assistant Commissioner, Officer in Charge
Surrey Detachment

LEADERSHIP IN LEARNING



SCHOOL ACT
BC Ministry of Education
Governance and Legislation Branch C-1 April 16, 2009
REVISED STATUTES OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1996

Division 3 - Joint Rights and Duties
Liability for damage to property

10 If property of a board or a francophone education authority is destroyed, damaged, lost or converted by the intentional or negligent act of a student or a francophone student, that student and that student's parents are jointly and severally liable to the board or francophone education authority in respect of the act of that student.

[1997-52-4 effective Aug. 1/97, BC Reg. 287/97]

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THE GOOD SAMARITAN DRUG OVERDOSE ACT IS NOW LAW

THE LAW SAYS:

If you are at the scene of an overdose and you or someone else calls 911 to get medical assistance, **you are not to be charged with simple possession** (possession for your own personal use) of an illegal substance.

You are also **not to be charged for breach of probation or parole** relating to simple drug possession.



IF YOU SUSPECT AN OVERDOSE,

CALL 911

CALLING 911 SAVES LIVES

After calling 911, give **breaths** and **naloxone** if you have it.

Stay with the person until help arrives.



For more information, visit:

http://www.pivotlegal.org/good_samaritan_drug_overdose_act_rights_card

or:

<http://canada.ca/opioids>

September 14, 2017



BC Centre for Disease Control





Parents ConnectED

News and information for parents in the Surrey School District

École Salish Secondary unveils welcome post and celebrates official opening



Elders and school district officials listen as Katzie First Nation Band Councillor David Kenworthy drums following the unveiling of École Salish Secondary's new welcome post.

Surrey's newest secondary school now has Grade 12 students & will have its first graduating class in 2020

Though it has been open for a year, École Salish Secondary, Grade 12, unveiling a Coast Salish welcome post that will open its arms to students and visitors to the school for years to come.

Katzie First Nation Band Councillor David Kenworthy welcomed guests and dignitaries to the territory prior to a witnessing ceremony involving École Salish Secondary teacher Crystal MacInnis

and students Bree Bridgen and Diego Wolfvillage.

("Talekwitsen") and stands just inside the school's main entrance facing a wide-open common area.

"I sure love the energy in this school. It's a beautiful school," Gary Leon told the hundreds of students prior to his welcome post being unveiled.

"When I worked on the post, I'd work on it early in the morning... and I always made sure I had a clear mind. When we chose the post out in the forest, we did a prayer for it because I knew it was coming into a school.

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children, with arms extended to welcome and give gratitude to all learners in the school's care. She is wrapped with a traditional Coast Salish blanket, woven by senior aboriginal support worker Paula James, which serves as a protective garment. The

bark of a red cedar – considered a tree of life by First Nation peoples.

this wonderful Coast Salish welcome post at the entrance of this beautiful new school, welcoming our students every morning," said Surrey Board of Education chairperson Laurie Larsen.

"I thank the Coast Salish people for being so welcoming and so willing, to not only share the Salish name with this school, but also to share your cul-

and indeed, the entire school community.

École Salish Secondary, a French Immersion school, opened in September 2018 with 850 students from Grades 8-11. This fall, following the addition of Grade 12, there are about 1,050



Carver Gary Leon speaks to students, staff and dignitaries about his process carving the welcome post.

graduating Class of 2020!

Principal Sheila Hammond noted what an honour it is to have been given permission to use the Salish name by Katzie, Kwantlen and Semiahmoo First Nations, noting the school is also home to several other pieces of indigenous art.

Retiring district employees honoured

Surrey Schools employees who retired during the past year were honoured at a recognition dinner hosted by the Surrey Board of Education on Nov. 6.

Approximately 190 educators, retired between Sept. 1, 2018 and Aug. 31, 2019, many of whom attended the celebratory event.

"This is a very special event and one trustees truly look forward to each year, as it allows us an opportunity to personally thank so many of our dedicat-



Trustees thank one of the dozens of Surrey Schools employees who retired in the past year.

ed and caring employees as they retire from their careers with the district," said board chairperson Laurie Larsen in

welcoming guests.

Attendees were treated to music by Trio + X, a new, self-directed group comprised of Fleetwood Park Secondary students Tim Park (bass) and drummer Bliss Park, as well as pianist and Guildford Park Secondary student Justin Juan.

In addition to an evening dinner and entertainment, retiring

and card in appreciation of their support and commitment to students and the school district.

Defibrillators being installed at all Surrey secondary schools

Surrey Schools will be installing defibrillators (AEDs) at all secondary schools, plus four other district sites, in the coming weeks.

The Surrey Board of Education approved installation of the AEDs in the spring of 2019.

worked to develop a detailed implementation plan.

AEDs are portable devices that are applied to a person's chest to treat sudden cardiovascular arrest, caused when the heart's electrical impulses become abnormal and life threatening. AEDs are used to deliver an electric shock that can restore normal rhythm to a heart.

In addition to having the devices at all 20 Surrey secondary schools, the district will install one each at the Bell Performing

Arts Centre, the District Education Centre (DEC), the District Facilities Centre and the Resource & Education Centre (REC).



“While not required by legislation, the Surrey Board of Education wanted to take a proactive approach on AEDs,” explained Surrey Board of Education chairperson Laurie

Larsen. “We made our decision to install these devices in the spring of this year. The motion was quickly passed as the safety of everyone in our buildings is our top priority. These devices need to be accessible when they are needed.”

Installation of cabinets to house the AED devices began

and orientation is scheduled to start next week. The AEDs will be placed at each site on the day training is completed. It is expected that by the end of November secondary schools in the Surrey School District will be trained on the appropriate use of the devices and each school will be

The total cost for purchase and installation in all 24 sites was just over \$50,000.

District websites now available in 103 languages

We are pleased to announce translation services across all Surrey School District websites, including our district website and all individual school sites.

Making use of Google Translate, the translation tool is available in 103 languages, including Punjabi, Chinese and French. The tool can be found in the top right section of the website in the blue navigation bar.

While Google Translate is intended to provide users with a basic translation of the information available on our website, it may lose some accuracy or context when translating into certain



languages.

Surrey Schools cannot guarantee the accuracy of any translated information and it is highly recommended that users contact the appropriate departments or schools before acting upon translated information.

'Classroom Champions' program expands

Surrey Schools and Classroom Champions are connecting thousands of elementary school students with world-class athletes thanks to a new partnership with Shaw Communications.

The \$720,000 investment from Shaw will enable students from across the Surrey school district to engage with Olympians and Paralympians through Classroom Champions award-winning scaled mentorship program.

The partnership will engage more than 6,000 students and 150 teachers over the next three years. Classrooms will be paired with athlete mentors for the duration of the school year, where they will participate in virtual mentorship sessions to help students strengthen their social and emotional skills, ultimately resulting in higher student engagement, improved academic achievement and a decrease in bullying.

"We have heard such positive stories from our teachers previously involved in the program,



Shaw Communications presented a cheque at Surrey's Green Timbers Elementary.

program has had on our students," says Laurie Larsen, Chairperson of the Surrey Board of Education.

Learn more about the new partnership [HERE](#).

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Board meeting dates 2019-2020

The Surrey Board of Education meets on the following dates, at 7 p.m. in Room #2020 at the District Education Centre, 14033 92 Ave.:

Dec. 11, 2019

Feb. 12, 2020

April 8, 2020

June 10, 2020

Jan. 15, 2020

March 11, 2020

May 13, 2020

You can view past and current agendas, plus videos of past board meetings at www.surreyschools.ca (About Us>Board of Education>Board Meetings).

Feedback sought on catchment boundaries for new schools



Architect rendering of Maddaugh Road Elementary, being built near 194 Street and 76 Avenue. *thinkspace architecture*

As the walls are coming up at new elementary schools in South Surrey and Clayton, the process of establishing new catchment boundaries has begun – and we want students and parents to have a say.

In South Surrey, Site 180 (17325 2 Ave.) and Site 206 (16666 23 Ave.) are scheduled to open in 2021 and will have space for 1,177 students, easing overcrowding at nearby elementary schools. In Clayton, Maddaugh Road (19405 76 Ave.) is scheduled to open in September 2021 while Regent Road (18711 74 Ave.) has been through the design process, and once it goes through the tender process, an anticipated opening date will be announced.

The goal in developing new catchment boundaries is to ensure student numbers are balanced between nearby elementary schools. In Clayton, these include Clayton, Hazelgrove and Katzie elementary schools. In South Surrey, these include East Kensington, Hall's Prairie, Morgan, Pacific Heights, Rosemary Heights and Sunnyside elementary schools.

The district has created three options for the Clayton consultation and five options for the South Surrey consultation. All options aim to finding that balance, while also taking into consideration future residential growth and Choice Program locations.

These consultations will be an opportunity to define the culture and character of new school communities. Parent and student input are an important part of this process.

The catchment boundary options for Clayton and South Surrey can be reviewed [HERE](#) online and in downloadable information packages. There are maps illustrating the proposals, with accompanying charts that provide further details about each option.

Input is being sought via online surveys on the consultation website: [Clayton survey](#) | [South Surrey survey](#)

The surveys are also available in written form at the individual schools, or can be printed from the consultation pages and returned to your school. Feedback can also be submitted by email to consultations@surreyschools.ca.

Two series of community forums are scheduled to share information with the Clayton and South Surrey communities about the potential boundary changes. Each forum runs from 6-7:30 p.m. Here are the remaining sessions:

South Surrey Consultation Community Forums

- Nov. 19 – Hall's Prairie Elementary, 18035 8 Ave.
- Nov. 20 – Sunnyside Elementary, 2828 158 St.

Clayton Consultation Community Forums

- Nov. 25 – Hazelgrove Elementary, 7057 191 St.
- Nov. 26 – Katzie Elementary, 6887 194A St.
- Nov. 28 – Clayton Elementary, 7541 184 St.

The information presented will be the same at each forum. Feedback is being accepted until the consultation period ends Dec. 18.

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NEXT MEETING:

Nov. 27, 7 p.m.

District Education Centre
14033 92 Ave.

Message from Surrey DPAC

The Surrey DPAC Board of Directors would like to share the importance of registering with the BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (BCCPAC).

BCCPAC is recognized by government and educational partners as the collective voice of parents and guardians of more than 565,000 children on educational issues within the public system. BCCPAC represents our parent voice on provincial committees dealing with a wide range of issues, including student assessment, indigenous education, curriculum, school safety and funding.

Our schools have been facing funding issues and overcrowding for many years. This year, our goal as directors is to put resolutions forward to BCCPAC so they may discuss our issues with multiple provincial committees. For this to

resolutions to BCCPAC and then have them voted on and passed at the 2020 BCCPAC Conference.

We need all Surrey School District Parent Advisory Councils to register at www.BCCPAC.bc.ca before Dec. 31, 2020 to be a member in good standing and be able to vote. DPAC has already registered, paid the fee

and is a member in good standing. That gives us one vote. Surrey has 121 schools and each school has a PAC, which means we could have 121 votes if all PACs registered.

Unsure if your PAC is registered? BCCPAC has a list on its website

Last year we submitted a few resolutions, including one addressing our need for special funding for portables so it doesn't come out of the district's operating budget. Unfortunately, that resolution did not pass as we only had 32 schools registered to vote. Our voice was not represented the way we had hoped.

The DPAC directors are currently working on resolutions to put forward and will be discussing them at our upcoming DPAC meetings. Please help us have a louder voice by joining us at our general meetings and being part of the discussions. Also, register your school PAC with BCCPAC so that we can move our resolutions forward.

We hope to see you all at our next general meeting. Check surreyDPAC.ca for details.

Rina Diaz, president
Surrey District Parents Advisory Council

DPAC presents vaping information session Nov. 26

Join Fraser Health and Surrey Schools for an information session about vaping, presented by Surrey DPAC.

The session will review the various types of vaping products, federal and provincial legislation, best evidence regarding possible health consequences, and school district and health initiatives

families and students to engage in dialogue and make informed decisions.

The talk takes place Nov. 26, 7-9 p.m. at the District Education Centre, 14033 92 Ave. For more information, email info@surreydpac.ca.

Surrey Schools to provide home-away-from-home for athletes attending 2021 Games

In July 2021, Surrey will be host to the Special Olympics BC Summer Games – and Surrey Schools is thrilled to be able to contribute to such an exciting and inspirational event.

More than 1,000 athletes with intellectual disabilities will be competing in 10 events: 10-pin bowling, soccer, athletics, basketball, bocce, golf, powerlifting, rhythmic gymnastics, softball and swimming.

“Our schools are not only centres of learning, they are neighbourhood hubs and community centres – places where people gather – and where we welcome children, youth, adults and families every day,” said Surrey Board of Education chair Laurie Larsen at the city announcement earlier this month. “That’s why in July 2021, we will enthusiastically open our doors to athletes and coaches participating in the Special Olympics BC Summer Games.”

About 120 classrooms in a few of the Surrey



Dignitaries at the 2021 Special Olympics BC Summer Games host community announcement.

School District’s secondary schools will be provided rent-free for athletes and coaches to stay. They will, of course, also have access to school shower facilities, washrooms, change rooms and cafeteria areas during their stay, as well as perhaps using some district buses.

“We hope our schools will feel like a temporary home-away-from-home for athletes and

coaches as they both gear up for, and recover from, competition – as well as enjoy the sites of our beautiful city,” said Larsen.

In 2021, the SOBC Games Opening Ceremony will be held on July 8, followed by competition throughout July 9 and 10. A Closing Ceremony open only to Games competitors will be held on July 10.

Approximately 1,100 community volunteers will be needed to run this empowering event. Volunteer registration details and Games venues will be announced in the weeks to come.

Grade 9s at work

The District Education Centre hosted 10 students on Take Our Kids to Work Day on Nov. 6.

The students, all children of employees who work in the building, spent the day shadowing their parent during their workday and toured the various departments.

Take Our Kids to Work Day is a national initiative meant to give students a real-life experience in a work environment.



2019-20 Surrey Schools calendar

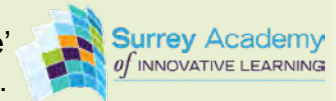
September 3, 2019	Schools Open
September 30, 2019	Non-instructional day
October 14, 2019	Thanksgiving Day
October 25, 2019	Non-instructional day
November 8, 2019	Non-instructional day
November 11, 2019	Remembrance Day (Stat holiday)
December 23, 2019 - January 3, 2020	Winter break
January 6, 2020	Schools reopen after winter break
February 17, 2020	Family Day
February 21, 2020	Non-instructional day
March 16 – March 20, 2020	Spring break
March 23 - March 27, 2020	School closure days
April 10, 2020	Good Friday
April 13, 2020	Easter Monday
May 1, 2020	Non-instructional day
May 18, 2020	Victoria Day
May 25, 2020	Non-instructional day
June 26, 2020	Administrative day/Schools close

SAIL open house Dec. 10

Surrey Academy of Innovative Learning (SAIL) is holding an open house for parents Dec. 10.

SAIL is a blended interdisciplinary school where students learn through inquiry and project-based learning using a variety of digital tools in a

'makerspace' environment.



SAIL's

programs include the three-year STEAM 8-10 (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math), STEAMX, a two-year accelerated program, and Compass, a full-time online program.

The open house is at 6 p.m. at the District Education Centre, 14033 92 Ave. in room 2020. If possible, please RSVP to

sailacademy@surreyschools.ca

Autism conference for Grades 4-8

The Surrey School District will be hosting its second annual Youth with Autism Conference early in the new year.

The conference will be held on Friday, Jan. 24 and is intended for students in Grades 4-8 who are on the autism spectrum.

The districtwide event is a unique opportunity for autistic students to gather together and have fun in a variety of workshops focusing on art, drama, soccer, science, personal relationships, and more.

In addition, students will hear a keynote presentation from young adults

on the spectrum who will share their life experiences, as well as see a choral presentation by The Mayday Club Youth Choir (voices of neurodiversity). There will also be morning refreshments and a group lunch.

The all-day conference takes place at École Salish Secondary.

If you would like your child to attend, please speak to their Integration Support Teacher or their Learner Support Teacher, or contact integration teacher Marissa Bourke at

bourke_m@surreyschools.ca.



logo by Grade 8 student Amina



NOVEMBER 2019 – ALL ZONES

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ARTS UMBRELLA

Arts Umbrella offers inspiring classes for children, youth and teens in visual and media arts, theatre and dance. Register now for Winter Sessions.

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CITY OF SURREY ACTIVITIES & EVENTS – YOUTH

Discover free holiday events, unique programs for youth, current volunteer and leadership opportunities and details about the winter break Family Fun Pass.

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MATH4ME'S K-12 TUTORING

Sign up for Math4Me's affordable and quality tutoring services (K-12) designed to help your child catch up, keep up, and learn ahead. Math4Me's passionate and qualified tutors follow the BC curriculum for all subjects. \$8 to \$18 per hour.

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SEMIAHMOO HOUSE SOCIETY

Recreation and Leisure Services offers a wide range of recreational programs adapted to the unique needs and abilities of youth and adults with diverse abilities, allowing them to participate in the same activities as other members of the community.

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SURREY MINOR BALL HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Ball Hockey – All it takes is all you've got!

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WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Step towards a brighter future.

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YMCA OF GREATER VANCOUVER

Youth Leadership Development (YLD) helps you get to know yourself better, become a skilled leader and interact with a variety of people. Plus, you'll make friends for life and have fun. Activities include team building, social events, volunteer opportunities, fundraising, training, and special events. At the end of the day, this is a program focused on building the potential of young people so that they have the skills to positively impact the community.

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SD 36 WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO THESE GENEROUS DONORS...

CHARLES AND EVE CHANG FOUNDATION

\$54,368 has been donated to the *Cre8: Wellness through the Arts* initiative. Funds will support in providing students with individual and small group counselling sessions through a registered Art Therapist. Art Therapy is a creative method of expression used as a therapeutic technique to support expression of thoughts and feelings, particularly for those who experience difficulties easily accessing language. Art therapy works with both words and images to support students experiencing life stressors, trauma and life transitions.



FIRST WEST CREDIT UNION/ENVISION FINANCIAL



\$10,000 will support over 450 students from across the district, as they participate in the SPARK Leadership program. SPARK provides these students the opportunity to learn and develop into future leaders within their schools and their communities. The donated funds help SPARK programs create community action projects helping give back to their school and local communities. SPARK allows participants to gain and learn transferable skills that can be applied back into their classrooms and communities while building self-confidence and resiliency in the participants.

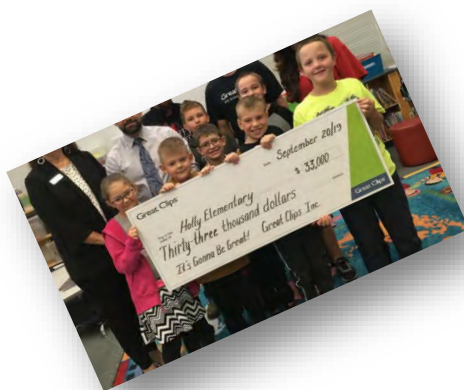
GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

\$634,573 was donated towards Surrey Steps Up, which offers group based employability skills workshops and 8 weeks of work experience to 60 students in the district. Surrey Steps Up will provide hands-on, practical experience to our students and a wide range of academic/trades related skills. Participants will also receive key pre-employment certifications, essential foundational skills and knowledge that will move them towards independence and success in the labour market.



GREAT CLIPS

\$33,000 was donated towards Holly Elementary meal programs and field trips. The meal programs provide students with a nutritious breakfast and lunch, which leaves them feeling ready, able, and motivated to learn. The donation towards field trips ensures we are able to provide our students with hands-on learning experiences and expose them to exciting new opportunities in their community.



PC CHILDREN'S CHARITY

\$42,380 has been donated to support 34 breakfast programs in the District. In addition to providing nutritious food, breakfast programs promote peer interactions across multiple grade levels, provide students with positive adult role models, and a consistent routine each school day.





PCI DEVELOPMENTS

\$10,000 was donated to support the lunch program at Old Yale Road Elementary. The lunch program at Old Yale Road provides satiating mid-day meals that provides the necessary nourishment for our students to participate in the remainder of the school day and into after school activities.

ROGERS

\$10,000 has been donated to support our Peer Tutoring program at 5 high schools in the district. This after school program offers one-to-one and small group tutoring for Grade 8-10 students from trained Grade 11 and 12 tutors. This has provided an inclusive space for our students to receive instruction from their fellow peers, while offering our Grade 11 and 12 students the opportunity to develop confidence and build their leadership capacity.

\$10,000 was also donated towards our REACH program. REACH focuses on developing employment, life and leadership skills for over 150 students in the district. This after school program provides students at 7 different high schools the opportunity to gain essential pre-employment certifications that will help them secure employment, obtain work experience opportunities and develop skills in building resumes, interview skills, and communication development.

SHAW COMMUNICATIONS

\$720,000 has been generously provided by Shaw Communications for Classroom Champions programming in Surrey Schools. This support will help grow student participation from 175 students last year, to over 6,000 participating over the next three years. Classroom Champions is a year-long in-classroom, mentorship program partnering world-class athletes with students in grades K-8 so they engage in a safe and enriched learning environment. With Shaw Communications financial support, Surrey Schools and Classroom Champions are connecting Olympic and Paralympic athletes mentors with students across the district to learn more about goal-setting, perseverance and community.



TD BANK

\$7,000 has been donated by TD Friends of the Environment, in support of the Girls In Action after-school program. 120 female students will be able to enjoy a variety of quality learning opportunities that will be focused on science, leadership, fitness and environmental stewardship. This donation will allow students to attend field trips, have healthy and nutritious snacks, and participate in community sport and fitness programs. Girls In Action promotes and encourages optimism, empathy, prosocial behavior, self-esteem, growth mindset, self-awareness and self-regulation. Female participants build connections with their peers, trusting adults and mentors at school and in the community.



UNITED WAY OF LOWER MAINLAND



\$75,000 has been provided to Surrey Schools' Community-Schools Partnership department. This funding supports Community-Schools Partnership's ability to coordinate and facilitate improved access to school facilities and services for out-of-school time programming in Surrey schools. UWLM funding puts children at the centre and strive to ensure that children have the capacity and opportunity to *Be All that They Can Be*.

WESTLAND INSURANCE

\$40,000 has been generously donated by Westland Insurance to support two schools in Surrey. Betty Huff Elementary and Jessie Lee Elementary will be receiving support from this generous donation. These funds will be supporting breakfast programming, afterschool programming, in-school workshops, field trips, and additional needs at each school.

