## GRADE 12 PARENT & STUDENT INFORMATION NIGHT



#### Traditional Acknowledgement



We acknowledge that our school resides on the shared, unceded territories of the Semiahmoo First Nation. The Semiahmoo people have been the stewards of this land in time immemorial.

#### Agenda

- Graduation and Requirements
- Scholarships
- Grad Events



#### Principal's Message

Mr. Graham Magnusson

#### Student Expectations

- School Events vs Non-Sanctioned Events

| School Events Include:      | Non-Sanctioned Events:          |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Mariners at the Mariners    | House / Community Parties       |
| Pasta Night                 | Privately Organized Fundraisers |
| Fashion Show                | Ski Trips                       |
| Duke of Earl                | Camping Trips                   |
| Commencement                | Grad Games                      |
| Grad Dinner and Dance       | Grad Crimes                     |
| Dry Grad (Parent organized) | Other III-Planned Ideas         |
|                             |                                 |

#### The Grade 12 Experience

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

#### Our Counselling Team

► Mr. Spencer Holland (A – Fi)

Ms. Adele Kim (FI - Ko)

► Ms. Sharon Sall (Kr – Sa)

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#### Graduation Credits

Counsellors

- Minimum 80 Credits required over 3 years (4 credits per class) Check MyEdBC
- Checking grad status November
  - Transcript Verification Report (TVR)
- Courses Taken Elsewhere
- On-line Make sure it's on your TVR!
  - External courses must be on your Transcripts (each university has different course completion deadlines)
- External Credits
  - Ex: Driver's Educ., Life Saving, Athletics (Provincial, National)
- Grade 12 students
  - ▶ Grade 10 Numeracy & Literacy Assessments (if not already written).\*
  - Grade 12 Literacy Assessment
  - Indigenous Course Requirement
  - FRAL 12 Assessment

## Submitting Final Grades to Universities

- Required: Student Transcript Service
- Most Post-Secondary Institutions access student marks electronically from the Ministry of Education (no paper transcripts)
- Students MUST complete their online STS selection to release their marks → link on EMS website under Counselling



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Counsellors

#### StudentTranscripts Service

You can use the StudentTranscripts Service (STS) to:

- View or order your secondary school transcript
- Send your secondary school transcripts to post-secondary institutions
- Order your graduation certificate
- View your scholarships
- View your provincial exam or graduation assessment results

https://www.bceid.ca/register/

#### Counsellors

- Grad Post-Secondary Information
  - ► Get Post-Secondary Info on-line at educationplannerbc.ca
  - Admission Requirements vary (General, Program Specific)
  - Application Process/Deadlines (vary)
  - ▶ Open House/Info Session dates:
  - Canadian University Event (various dates and times) Register at <a href="https://cuebc.org">https://cuebc.org</a>

#### Applications Continued

- ▶ UBC Virtual link to join will be advertised closer to date
- PSIBC-various dates (no registration details yet)
- Some schools are accepting applications as of Oct. 1st
  - Some are "first-come, first-served" (e.g. KPU, Douglas)
- Application Deadlines
  - UBC Early Admission Dec. 1
    - Regular Admission Jan. 15
  - SFU Jan. 31
  - UVIC Jan. 31
  - U of T Jan. 15
  - All other BC institutions have varying deadlines depending on the program.

To stay informed with Post-Secondary Updates throughout the year...

Attend the GPS meetings that occur the 3rd Thursday of each month at lunch and check the school webpage as the Power points of the GPS meetings are posted there



# Welcome to EMS Scholarship!

MRS. CANINO

SCHOLARSHIP COORDINATOR, ROOM 312

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#### Join our TEAMS page EMS Scholarships

- The code to join is 60zqlr5
- This is where all the information will be found
- All applications and forms will also be located here
  - It is also a great place to ask questions

In addition to Teams, look to the school website under the parent's tab for more information. Scroll down to the scholarship tab.

## ...then go to the school webpage or Teams page and get the Handbook:

- > Print it out or save a copy on your device.
- The last page of the Handbook has all of your major due dates and meeting dates:

#### MONTHLY SCHOLARSHIP MEETINGS

#### Scholarship Meeting - Monthly Topics - Watch Teams (Scholarships EMS) for more information, dates, and times.

#### September 21st in the Theater

Follow us on Teams: Teams Code to Join

is 60zqlr5

Scholarship Handbook Types of Scholarships and Financial Awards

#### October 19th

Getting Started How to Pay for Post-Secondary School

#### **November 16th**

Creating Your Story Request for letter of Reference

#### December 14th

Essay Writing (sample questions...comparisons) What Scholarship Committees are looking for.

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#### January 18th

Understanding the Scholarship Judging Process

#### February 22rd

Stress Management In School Scholarships Application

• Deadline: Friday, April 5, 2024 (in person submissions only before 3:30 pm)

Ministry District Awards/Partner 36 Scholarships

• Deadline: Friday, **April 5, 2024** (in person submissions only before 3:30 pm)

#### March 14th

In School Scholarships Application Q & A Deadline Friday, April 5, 2024

Scholarship Recipient Procedure

Thank-you letters.

#### What else is in the Handbook?

- ► Scholarship definitions such as:
  - ➤ Scholarship: a monetary award based on academic merit or excellence in the area to which the award permits
  - ▶ Bursary: a non-repayable grant made to students in need of financial assistance

#### What else is in the Handbook?

#### Types of scholarships:

- ▶ **BC Achievement Scholarships**: \$1250 for the top 8,000 BC students; students do not apply for this one (based on GPA for Grades 10-12, including electives)
- ▶ **District Authority Awards**: \$1250 voucher for 5,500 BC students with superior achievement in non-academic fields (deadline = Friday April 5, 2024)
- ▶ **Partners36 Scholarships**: \$250 2,500 for only one student per school per scholarship; there are dozens of scholarships (deadline = Friday April 5, 2024)
- ► Corporate/Service Clubs: Students must apply for these on their own. These scholarships include union, private company, and corporate groups.
- ► In School Scholarships: \$250-\$2000 scholarships available to EMS students (deadline = Friday April 5, 2024)

## The *average* first-year tuition in Canada costs \$6,693/year.

#### Books/year

Least expensive is

Computer Science at \$578.

Most expensive is

Business at \$874.

Average?

\$1000

#### Living at home/year

Everything included (tuition, fees, books, transportation, haircuts, etc.)

\$10,000

#### Living away from home/year

Everything included (same as at home **plus** off-campus rent, travel home on holidays, food, etc.)

\$20,000 -\$30,000 Well, that's terrifying.

"So what can a parent do to help?"

## 1. Buy a paper calendar and start writing in due dates:

- ▶ Basant \$31,000 in scholarships September 24th, 2023
- ► (see Teams page)
  - ▶ 3.2 GPA, good service/citizenship, planning to go to post-secondary
- ► Loran October 11 by 8:00 pm Eastern Time
- (see Teams page)
  - ▶ 85% minimum, Canadian or permanent resident, planning to go to post-secondary

- ► In-School applications April 5, 2024
- ► Ministry applications April 5, 2024
- ▶ Partners36 applications April 5, 2024

Keep watching the Teams page, for updates and new scholarships!

### 3. Get your child to the monthly meetings. (See Teams)

- ► Each meeting has a theme:
  - ► Creating Your Story
  - ► Essay Writing
  - ▶ What the Scholarship Committee is Looking For in an Applicant
  - ► Stress Management
  - ► Thank-you letters

#### 4. Parents, find out your angle:

- Do you belong to a union?
  - ▶ Every union has a scholarship for members' kids.
- ▶ Does your company have a scholarship for members' kids?
  - ▶ If not, ask about starting one. See me for donation forms.
- ▶ Do you belong to a cultural, religious, or community group?
  - ► Think about your heritage and groups in which you and your family participate.

#### 5. Add up the numbers:

- Are you in need? Bursaries are available if money is preventing your child from attending post-secondary.
  - ▶ The Cmolik Foundation offers full tuition to students who have, for many different reasons, not been able to save for school.
- ► How are you and your child going to pay for school?
  - ► RESPs, scholarships, jobs, gifts from family, bursaries? Make a plan now.

### 6. Time spent working on scholarships is time saved flipping burgers.

- ➤ See page 16 of The Handbook for "Places to Look for Scholarship Information"
  - ► Yconic.com
  - ► Canlearn.ca
  - ► Bced.gov.bc.ca/awards
  - ► ScholarTree
  - ► GrantMe.com

#### Good luck!

- ▶ Please contact me at canino\_s@surreyschools if you have any questions
- ▶ Sign on to the Teams page to ask questions.
  - ► Code to join is 60zqlr5
  - ► Get the Handbook

#### Grad Events

MR. HAFFNER

#### Timeline: Grad Events

Grad Photos

Sept 29<sup>th</sup> to Oct 11<sup>th</sup>

Grad Cruise

October 18th (tentative)

Grad Pasta Dinner

November

Grad Fashion Show

March

Dry Grad Plant Sale

May 11<sup>th</sup>

Duke of Earl

May 16<sup>th</sup>

Commencement

May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Chandos Pattison

Grad & Dry Grad

June 8<sup>th</sup>

#### Grad Banquet

#### Mr. Haffner

Date: Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>

► Location: Tsawwassen Springs

► Cost: TBD

Guests: EMS Grad must submit a guest form/approval.

Guests can be only 1 grade younger or 1 year out of school

(Distributed in Spring depending on numbers)

Join us for the Family Celebration before the event!

#### Dry Grad

- ▶ PAC/Parent Role Dry Grad Committee
  - Volunteers
  - ► First Meeting Beginning of October Time TBD
- Events we have organized in the past:
  - Pasta Dinner
  - ▶ Grad Fashion Show
  - ▶ Plant and Manure Sale
  - Duke of Earl (supported)
  - Dry Grad

#### Grad Photos (Artona Studios)

- Grad Photos in "Mobile Studio" in our parking lot
  - ▶ September 29<sup>th</sup> to October 11<sup>th</sup>
- Online Sign-up <a href="https://www.artona.com/schools/EMAR/programs/graduation">https://www.artona.com/schools/EMAR/programs/graduation</a>
  - \$60 deposit to be paid at the "Mobile Studio"

Note: Cash, Cheque, Debit, Credit – this will appear as a credit at time of purchase or fully refundable within 30 days by returning photo previews to Artona

- All students are to take photo even if they are not ordering a package—no one will be turned away
  - ► Your photo will appear:
    - On our composite posted in the school
    - ▶ In our Yearbook
    - ▶ if a deposit is not provided at time of photo, this can be arranged afterwards—see Mr. Haffner
    - ▶ On-line signup. See link on our website
- Artona has also provided a Scholar Package to one student

#### Friendship Group Photos

- Friday, October 16.
- Location: Cafeteria
- Time: 11:00 am 4:00 pm
- Go to Artona.com to book
- https://artona.com/schools/EMAR/programs/graduation\_ group

#### Scholar Package Draw:

MR. HAFFNER

#### Commencement

Mr. Campbell

- ▶ Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, Chandos Pattison @ 6:30 pm
- Commencement Fee \$50
  - Grad Gown orders have begun (see Ms. McLean in the office)
  - Gowns distributed after grade 12 rehearsal assembly
  - Covers facility rentals, printing, decorations, gown rental, cap/tassel fees, etc.
- Commencement write-ups collected in January
- Tickets: Two tickets per family, more given after everyone has received the first two.
  - We have a process for families requesting more tickets.

#### Keeping Informed

- Grad Timeline
- Scholarships and Post-Secondary
- How to Get Information
  - ▶ Website (Parents → Graduation Information)
  - ▶ Grad Newsletter
  - Mari-Time App
  - ▶ Email List
  - ▶ TEAMS

#### Parents and Grads of 2024

Thank you for coming this evening!

