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JUNE 2019 NEWSLETTER

Principal's Message

The 2018-19 year has been one of the very best school years at Kwantlen Park Secondary. In the first days of September, we met all the students and encouraged everyone to improve in some way and have a successful year. Throughout the year, we had drama productions, art festivals, athletic events, year-end Graduation events, a year-end school play, awards nights and music concerts, and you rose to the challenge. I am incredibly proud of our students, how well they are cared for and supported by staff, parents and everyone in our community.

Our school's excellent culture is admired by all members of our community and I would like to thank all the staff at KP for making this a special place to learn. We will miss those grade 12 students who have recently graduated and left Kwantlen Park to take on the next challenges in their lives. I want to wish all of them the very best in their future. We are also looking forward to welcoming next year's students after the summer break.

There is one key event to be aware of before the school year is over. Our final report card will be ready for you on-line in MyEd after 12 o'clock on Thursday June 27. If you need help with this process please contact the school and we will get you set up online to see your child's marks. If you need a paper copy of your child's report card, you can pick one up in the office. Please note that during the summer, the office is open from 10 a.m.-2p.m.

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**HOME OF THE
TIMBERWOLVES**

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PRINCIPAL: MR. T. CROSS

Vice Principal: Mr. M. Krystal (A-E)

Vice Principal: Ms. S. Beyer (F-N)

Vice Principal: Ms. K. Farquhar (O-Z)

COUNSELLORS: Ms. K. Janda (A-C)
Mr. D. van den Broek (D-Khal)
Ms. K. Zaklan (Khan-P)
Ms. C. Prentice (Q-Z)

June always brings change, and this year we have staff that are leaving us, and others eager to join our community. It is with great respect that we wish the best for Ms. K. Anderson, Ms. Garcha, Ms Gaudin, Ms. Hoshino, Mr. C. Reid, Mr. Van den Broek and Ms. Van Der Putten as they move on to new schools. We would also like to congratulate Mr. Burke and Mrs. Freeman on their retirement. Please welcome our new staff members to Kwantlen Park for the 2019-20 school year: Ms. Bathgate (English), Ms. Amyotte (FRIM) and Ms. Brockway (Sc and Math).

I want to thank this year's PAC for all their support to our school. The contribution of our parents is invaluable and I have learned a great deal from their insights this year. A special 'thank you' to the PAC executives; they have ensured the success of the PAC this year and I appreciate their support and extraordinary contribution to our school. I encourage all parents to attend PAC meetings next year. The school needs your input.

I look forward to continuing to learn, grow and work together as a community and make Kwantlen even better next year. Please look for your welcome letter in August, which will outline everything you need to know for next year's start-up. See you in September.

Best wishes, Mr. Cross

Next year please expect our newsletter on the last Thursday of :

August

September

November

January

February

April

June

Have a wonderful summer and see you in September



2019-20 Kwantlen Park Secondary Bell Schedule

Monday to Friday	Start Time	Instructional Minutes	End Time
Period 1	8:26 AM	77	9:43 AM
Period Change Time	9:43 AM	5	9:48 AM
Period 2	9:48 AM	82	11:10 AM
Lunch Intermission	11:10 AM	45	11:55 AM
Period 3	11:55 AM	78	1:13 PM
Period Change Time	1:13 PM	5	1:18 PM
Period 4	1:18 PM	79	2:37 PM
Instructional Minutes		316	



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

WOLF TRACKS

Congratulations again to the following students who were “caught”

DURING THE MONTH OF MAY following our

Code of Conduct :

**Respecting Oneself & Others, Respecting the Environment
and Respecting Learning.**

Amanda K., Fatima M. and Tyler F.



SPECIAL EVENTS



First Annual Year Book BBQ



ATHLETICS



KP Athletic Awards Banquet



CONCERT BAND

Performance!



These pictures are from a band performance at Surrey City Hall, for a Seniors Volunteer Appreciation Day.

The City of Surrey is hoping to build on this for more intergenerational connections in the future.





Last Aboriginal event before
summer.
Buntzen Lake!



TECHNOLOGY ED. DEPT.


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SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
ENGAGING THE WORLD

So you want to be a **FILM MAKER?**

Kwantlen Park Secondary School in collaboration with Surrey School District and SFU (Surrey) are offering a 4-credit ADST Summer School in Film Making. The course will cover:

-  **Film Design**
-  **Scripting**
-  **Storyboarding**
-  **Acting**
-  **Pre-Production**
-  **Camera Work**
-  **Audio Recording**
-  **Lighting**
-  **Special Effects**
-  **Editing**
-  **Post-Production**
-  **Screening**



Course Details:

2nd July to 26th July

8:30am – 12:50pm (80 hours)

Cost: Free

Grades: 10/11/12

**SEE MR DRAKE (A119)
FOR MORE DETAILS**

WAYS TO MANAGE SCREEN TIME THIS SUMMER

Summer break is right around the corner (or here for some of you), and many of us are looking forward to having a little more free time. Youth will have more time to breathe and explore their interests beyond school, but so often downtime becomes screen time. Summer's wide open time spans can heighten battles over technology use.

Here are some ideas for managing screen time this summer:

1. Take a moment to ask your kids (students) if they have anything they want to do, people they want to see, projects they want to take on, or finish during summer time? See if you can get them to say one or two specific things. You can call them "goals" but sometimes this word can shut down teens since the word "goals" can conjure up work.
2. The more you can have systems in place to have tech go off at defined times, the better. It is not fun to police screen time. Last week [I wrote about Apple's new Family Sharing screening time controls](#) that may be released in beta at the end of June but isn't scheduled for a full release until September. Late last week I also did a little analysis for the [Washington Post](#) of Apple's versus Android's family screen time controls. I'm really looking forward to seeing how these controls will help change the culture around screen time. For those of you battling the Fortnite obsession, don't forget that if your child plays it on XBOX, the console does have a way to set [screen time limits](#). Here is a link to [some third party apps](#) to help manage time screen time. And, lastly, introduce them to [pro-social games](#) as a great alternative to all the intense video games out there.
3. Now is a good time to get more creative about possible "house help" projects for the summer (aka chores but I prefer house help)....thinking up new tasks that will give your children new skills. I am excited that my teens have agreed to help me paint my home office. They've never painted a room and I think it's a good skill to have. Other house help ideas I have for this summer are fixing the broken wood garage door, having them do more cooking, and of course the usual (weekly sweeping and bathrooms). Given that it is completely normal for kids and teens to be frustrated and angry to have to do house help, consider bringing up the following when you are having a calm dinner, maybe doing your Tech Talk Tuesday (*and remember you can always print the TTT to bring to the table). Julie Lythcott Smith, former Stanford University Dean of Freshmen, said in her [TED Talk](#) about raising adults: "The longest longitudinal study of humans ever conducted is called the Harvard Grant Study. It found that professional success in life, which is what we want for our kids, that professional success in life comes from having done chores as a kid, and the earlier you started, the better, that a roll-up-your-sleeves-and-pitch-in mindset, a mindset that says, there's some unpleasant work, someone's got to do it, it might as well be me...I will contribute my effort to the betterment of the whole, that that's what gets you ahead in the workplace."
4. Summer is a great time to encourage creative projects using technology. Did you know that on average [kids only spend 3%](#) of their screen time doing "content creation" such as making videos or composing music on the computer? You might suggest that your video gamer consider learning how to design and code their own video game. Or, how about your kids that love to listen to music, see if they will try to write their own songs on Garageband? Your YouTube watching tweens and teens might enjoy shooting their own movie right on their phone camera and then learning how to edit it on the computer in iMovie or another program. I use Premier and my daughter Tessa learned it super fast.
5. Reading—sure enough, reading has gone way down over the past few years but it does not have to be that way. In an upcoming TTT, I will be sharing some of my favorite pre-teen and teen books along with favorites of the Screenagers' team. I find that having a few new titles in the home (via borrowing from the library or friends or ordering) increases the chance my teens get interested in reading them. Stay tuned for some great titles!

Here are a few questions to get the conversation going:

- What are 2 things you would like to accomplish this summer?
- Is there a new skill, like video editing or creating music or coding that you might be interested in learning more about?
- How much time do you think is reasonable per day this summer for you to spend doing things like playing video games or scrolling social media?
- What "house help" projects can you come up with that would teach you a skill you are interested in—or at least mildly interested in? Or at least not completely dreading?

Career Department Staff:

Mrs. Allard, Careers Dept. Head – local 2502 (direct line: 604-587-7368)

Mrs. Harris, Career Facilitator / BASES Teacher – local 2066

Ms. Steeves, Career Development Practitioner – local 2112

**CAREER CENTRE NEWS****Career Centre News:**

Another busy year has flown by for the staff in the Career Centre. We were very lucky to have Ms. Harris join our team and were able to provide our students with even more opportunities. Our Social Media accounts are in very good hands! Check out @kpcareercentre on Instagram and Twitter for updates on post-secondary information, volunteer opportunities and much more.

DISTRICT PROGRAMS**District Programs:**

We are very proud of our students who are finishing District Programs. There were more employers looking to hire students than there were students available from the Carpentry program job fair. If you are interested in building, fixing or creating things or have an interest in Law Enforcement, Art or taking a KPU Night School Class for free, please stop by the Career Centre so we can help you explore further. We have 12 students participating in 9 different programs for the 2019-2020 school year!

Congratulations:

- Art (Emily Carr) – Vanessa B.
- Carpentry – Tony P. and Jason S.
- Culinary Arts – Jason N. and Cristian P.
- Hairdressing – Melissa H.
- KPU Night School – Gurniwaz G.
- Law Enforcement Prep – Hso E. and William L.
- Metal Fabrication – Emmett S.
- Millwright – Gavin Z.
- Welding – Dustyn V.

Congratulations!

DISTRICT PROGRAM—CARPENTRY PHOTOS

On Friday we visited Kyle E. and Gilbert G. at Guildford Park Secondary to check out their completed projects which included a sauna, shed, vet clinic, and 2 tiny houses. (interior and house)



GRAD TRANS PRESENTATIONS

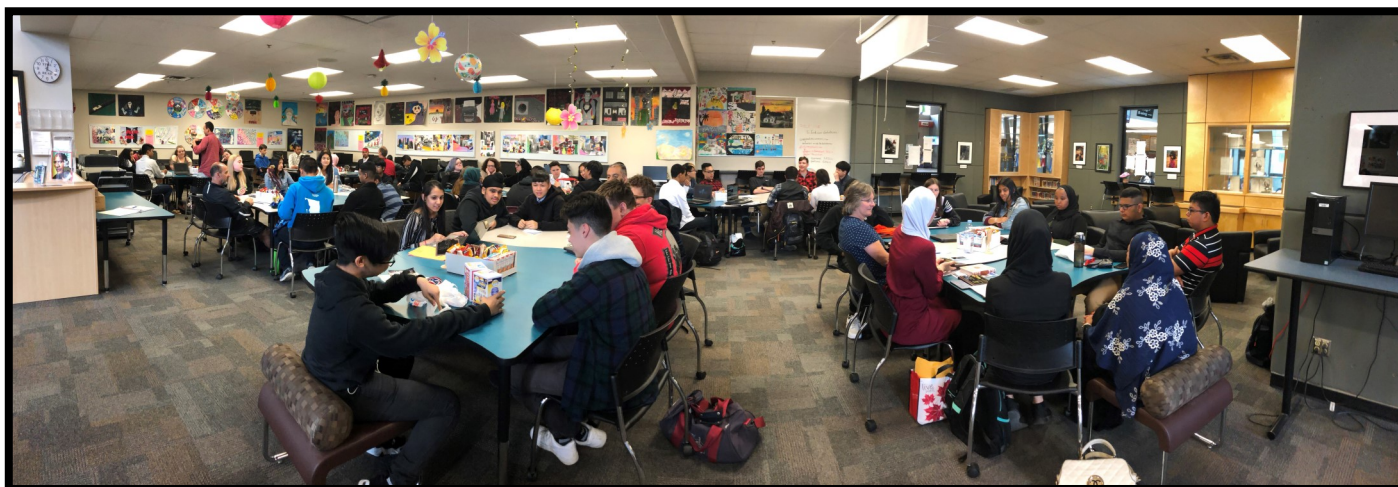
Graduation Transitions:

We had a lovely afternoon on May 21st of grade 11 students presenting about themselves. They had to answer three essential questions: Who Am I? Where Am I Going? How Am I Going to Get There?

Students gave a variety of presentations from scrapbooks and poster boards to playing music, to creating Kahoots for the group to play. It is always a special day at KP and this year's students did not disappoint.

Congratulations—this year's Gr. 11's & Gr. 12's!!

You have finished your Grad Transitions and received 4 credits towards Graduation!

Way to go!

CHANGES FOR 2019-2020

Changes for 2019-2020

We are changing the way that we deliver our Careers programs. **Career Life Education** at the grade 10 level will now be a non-enrolling course. Students will participate in a variety of activities, which may include: presentations by outside organizations and careers staff, field trips, resumes, mock interviews, reflections, self-assessment and more. We will be utilizing a great online platform endorsed by the district called My-Blueprint.

Our **Career Life Connections** course at the grade 11 level will also be delivered as a non-enrolling course for one more year (similar to Graduation Transitions, but this time with a letter grade). In the 2020-2021 school year, this will be an enrolling course with class time with a teacher.

MOCK INTERVIEWS

Mock Interviews

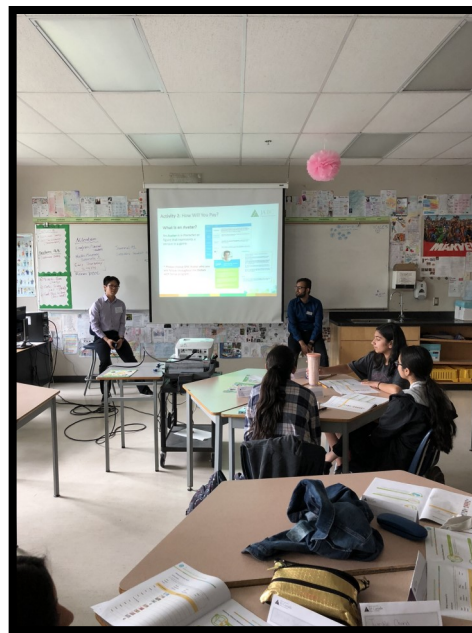
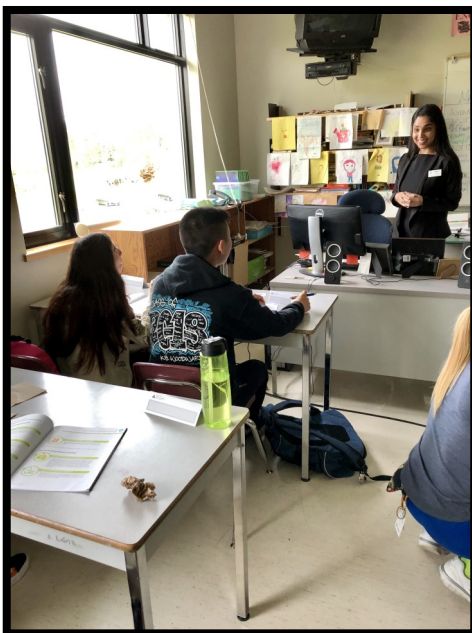
This week the 2nd semester CLE 10 classes participated in Mock Interviews on June 12th. Members from the community were kind enough to dedicate some of their time to help us out with this event!



JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT—GR. 8 FINANCIAL PRESENTATIONS / PHOTOS

Junior Achievement

The Careers team would like to thank everyone who helped to make Junior Achievement a success in May! The Grade 8's received the tools they need to make smart financial decisions, live debt-free, and become savvy investors. They learned personal money management skills that they can apply to their lives, beginning now.



PACNEWS

NEXT PAC MEETING : WEDNESDAY, *SEPT 4TH*, AT 7 PM
IN THE KP LIBRARY

The purpose of the KPS PAC is to further the educational interests and well-being of students, and to strengthen the role of families in education. The PAC facilitates parent participation in the school community. All KPS parents/guardians are invited to attend, bring a friend! Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month (except January 2019). Each month Mr. Cross shares a very informative school report and parents discuss many topics related to education.

Do you want to be included on the PAC email list and will receive occasional reminders and updates?

Have a question, suggestions and/or comments?

Not sure how to get involved in the high school community?



Contact the PAC at: info@kwantlenparkpac.com

**Visit the Kwantlen Park PAC
website to stay up to date
on all PAC activities:
www.kwantlenparkpac.com**