#### KWANTLEN PARK SECONDARY SCHOOL

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#### SEPTEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

#### Principal's Message

Welcome Kwantlen Park students and families! We have had a busy start to the school year while the many aspects of school life get up and running. It is exciting to have the building full of people eager to learn and get involved in school life. Kwantlen Park Secondary is a place where people work with passion and commitment, and this pursuit of personal excellence is evident in our classrooms, extracurricular programs, and athletics. Enrollment has settled in around 1455 students with a teaching and support staff of around 125. Thank you to all of the parents and students for their patience as we adjusted timetables and got students into classes. We have seen a small growth in our population this September and with this increase came new teachers and new classes. Thank you for your understanding as we settle down into routines. Please continue to check our website, www.surreyschools.bc.ca/kwantlenpark, for the most current information on events and messages from the school and make sure that we have an email for your family to receive notifications. Families can also get up to date information from our Twitter @kwantlenpark and our free App KPTimberwolves.

Our Annual Clubs Day was held on Wednesday, September 19th at lunch. Student can still sign up for activities in everything from technology, physical activity, social responsibility, to academic and environmental clubs. It is wonderful that so many staff support our students' desires to participate in extracurricular activities. Thank you to the staff that give their time and effort to support the students.

I want to thank our Grade 12's for the maturity they have already demonstrated this year in becoming active around the school and on the Grad Boat Cruise on Thursday September 13<sup>th</sup>. We had a terrific evening on the waters of English Bay. Congratulations to the Grad committee on a successful organized event. On September 28<sup>th</sup> Kwantlen Park will be hosting all the major Canadian universities for our students throughout the day.

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#### PRINCIPAL: MR. T. CROSS

Vice Principal: Mr. M. Krystal(A-E)COUNSELLORS: Ms. K. Janda (A-C)Vice Principal: Ms. S. Beyer(F-N)Mr. D. van den Broek (D-Khal)Vice Principal: Ms. K. Farquhar(O-Z)Ms. C. Prentice (Q-Z)

Our grade 11 and 12 students will be able ask key questions to admissions counsellors about their particular university. Please know that parents are welcome to attend these presentations to help you get started on post secondary applications.

The new B.C. curriculum continues to be developing and changing its learning outcomes. At Kwantlen Park Secondary, our staff is working and planning for these changes through discussions in our staff meetings and our department meetings. Parents who are interested in the changes can go to the Ministry website at curriculum.gov.bc.ca. We will also be talking about the changes, as they are announced, at our PAC meetings.

As I write this newsletter, plans are underway for our Grade 8 BBQ and Parent Night on Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6 -7pm. This is an opportunity for our Grade 8 parents to hear a little about our school and get to meet staff and administration. Our Grade 8 retreat days will be on Tuesday and Wednesday Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. The Grade 8 students will attend a series of special presentations on these days about the key points to make the transition into high school a little easier.

The next major event at Kwantlen Park is our Interim Report Cards going out on Oct 17<sup>th</sup>. Please log into your parent portal to see your child's results. Meet the Teacher Night is on Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>. We cannot express how important this parent night is to a successful year. Parent Teacher Interviews will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. I hope that you will be able to attend one of the sessions and speak with your child's teachers about his/her progress. We appreciate the parents that attend these conferences and the input that you provide on your child.

PAC (Parent Advisory Council) has started and held their first meeting was Sept 12. The next meeting is October 3 at 7:00 pm in the library. PAC is a great place to get involved with and find out what is happening in our school. New parents are always welcome.

The Dry Grad Committee is already working hard to plan another night of safety and fun for this year's graduates. I would like to thank this year's committee and I strongly encourage all graduates and parents to participate in this fabulous event as it does take the full year to pull together. Please contact Wendy Duong at wendy.duong@shaw.ca if you would like to help in any way with this year's Dry Grad. The next meeting is October 17 at 7:00 pm – 9:00pm in our school library.

I am looking forward to a great year!

Take Care, Mr. Cross.





Sun Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri Sat	
1 Day 2 D C B A Block Order Switch-WEX Out	2 Day 1 CDAB	3 Day 2 D C B A  Grade 8 Parent Barbecue 5:30 pm  PAC Meeting 7pm	4 Day 1 CDAB Sr Volleyball Tournament	5 Day 2 D C B A  Boy's Soccer  Tournament	6
7 8 Thanksgiving	9 Day 1 CDAB	10 Day 2 D C B A  GT/Careers Presentation-A	11 Day 1 C D A B  Grade 9 Girls Tournament Play Day  All Grade 12 Block B Classes	12 Day 2 D C B A	13
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14 15 Day 1 CDAB	16 Day 2 D C B A	17 Day 1 C D A B  UBC Visit-3-4 pm  Japanese Student Visit  Interim Report Cards  Dry Grad Meeting 7pm	18 Day 2 D C B A  Early Dismissal- Parent/Teacher Meetings 2-4 & 5-7 pm  Grade 12 Parent Meeting 7 pm- Theatre  FRIM Grade 7 Parent Night 7 pm	Non-Instructional Day #2 No school for Students	20
21 22 Day 1 C D A B	23 Day 2 D C B A Grade 12 Transcript Verific	24 Day 1 CDAB	25 Day 2 D C B A Fall Concert 7pm-Theatre  Grade 12 Assembly Block C  Newsletter on-line	26 Day 1 CDAB TOKTW Assembly Grade 9 Block D	27
28 29 Day 2 D G B A 3 Grade 12 PSI Day 8:30-11:15 am Staff Meeting	30 Day 1 C D A B  Grad Transitions Due Grade 12	31 Day 2 DCBA			



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#### WHAT'S UP T-WOLVES!

Here's the break down of what our leadership program has planned in the following months of September and October:

Senior Girls Volleyball Tournament (September 26<sup>th</sup>)

Junior Boys Icebreaker (October 4th)

Junior Boys Soccer Tournament (October 12th)

Lastly, we would like to give a big thank you to all of our Fall coaches of 2018!

Thank you

Coach O'Brien Coach K.Carreon

Coach Anderson Coach Otsuki

Coach Wakelin Coach Simons

Coach Reid Coach Gamayo

Coach Beyer Coach Afienza

Coach Wilkie Coach Butler

Coach Read Coach Rai

Coach J.Carreon Coach Riasat

Even in the rain, Kitsilano was beautiful! And *As You Like It* at 'Bard on the Beach' did not disappoint – the AP Lit kids had an awesome time! Ms. Perez was also seen tapping her toes and singing along to some of the Beatles tunes!



#### CANADA ABORIGINAL ART AND CULTURE

### Métis

Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 3:30 PM – 6:30 PM

#### **Surrey Libraries**

10350 University Drive, Surrey, British Columbia V3T 4B8

Join us as we celebrate Métis art and culture. On October 2, Métis artist Pat Calihou will facilitate another workshop on wood carving. Learn how to make your own miniature paddle. Discover something new about Métis art and culture.

This is a free event, for teens (12-18 years old) to explore their creativity. To register visit http://ow.ly/iMS430IRliT and use course # 4634738. All questions or dietary concerns can be sent to Edward by emailing <a href="mailto:communityart@surrey.ca">communityart@surrey.ca</a>

All supplies and materials provided. No previous art skills are required. This program is run in partnership between the City of Surrey's Community Art Program, Surrey Libraries, and Nova Métis Heritage Association.



#### **CAREER CENTRE NEWS—SEPTEMBER, 2018**

#### Career Department Staff:

Mrs. Allard, Careers Dept. Head - local 2502 (direct line: 604-587-7658)

Mr. Harris, Career Facilitator / BASES Teacher - local 2701

Ms. Steeves, Career Centre Assistant / Career Dev. Practitioner - local 2112



Career Quote: "Perfection is not attainable, but if we chase perfection we can catch excellence." --Vince Lombardi

#### **CAREER DEPT. STAFF**



The Career Department would like to welcome Ms. Harris (Wardle) to the department after Mr. Minckler's retirement.

We are very happy to have her!

#### **GRADE 12 INFORMATION**

#### **Important Grade 12 Information:**

Sept. 28 – CUE BC

Approximately 50 universities from across Canada will be at Kwantlen Park from 12:45-2:45

All grades have the opportunity to attend and parents are welcome as well



There will presentations in block B about Graduation Transitions, PSI day and Scholarships



Loran Internal Scholarship Deadline (Online)



#### October 17

**UBC** visits Kwantlen Park

Open to grade 10-12 students

3pm Learning Commons Library at Kwantlen Park

#### October 18

Grade 12 Parent Night 7pm Kwantlen Park Theatre

Learn about post-secondary options and scholarships



#### October 22-25

Block D Transcript Verification and PSI day selection KP Learning Commons Library

Students will give permission for up to 25 Post-Secondary Institutions to access their transcripts if they apply to those institutions

Free service

#### October 24

Horatio Alger Scholarships Due Online



#### October 25

Block C Grade 12 Assembly – Post Secondary and Scholarship Information Heppell Scholarships Due to Ms. Zaklan

#### October 29

**PSI Day** 

Approximately 20 post-secondary institutions will come to Kwantlen Park Students will select which two presentations they would like to hear All institutions will be at a mini-fair from about 10:30-11:15 in the small gym



#### October 30

Graduation Transitions Packages Due. ALL grade 12 students must hand in their GT packages by 3pm



#### **GRADE 9 INFORMATION**

#### **Important Grade 9 Information**



October 26—Blk D—Take Our Kids to Work (TOKTW) Assembly – Large GymThis will prepare students to participate in TOKTW Day on November 14<sup>th</sup>

This assembly as well as the event itself make up a portion of students' Careers 9 mark. Permission Forms will be handed out and are due:

Monday, Nov. 5th to your Blk D Gr. 9 Teachers or the Career Centre

We would like to encourage all students to find someone (parent, older sibling, aunt, grandparent, family friend ...) to go to work with on November 14<sup>th</sup> (a permission form must be received in order for students to participate in TOKTW Day on Nov. 14th)

#### **GRADE 8 INFORMATION**

#### **Important Grade 8 Information**

#### October 9+10

Ms. Harris is excited to work with grade 8 students during the retreat on their career exploration. Ms. Harris will also be

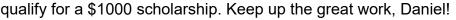


working with the grade 8 rotation teachers and cohort teachers to help students learn more about careers

#### **DISTRICT PROGRAM STUDENTS**

#### **District Program Students**

**Daniel S.** had a successful summer working as an electrical apprentice and is now back in the classroom finishing the **Electrical Foundations Program** for one last semester. He only needs about 500 more hours to





**Ronnel D.** completed a **Roofing** safety session with the RCABC at the beginning of summer and was able to work in the industry all summer long. If he continues to work in the industry, he can qualify for a \$1000 scholarship

**Vincent I.** is continuing in the **Hairdressing** program and his instructor says he is one of the most talented barbers she has ever worked with!

**Anthony B.** and **Kyle. E** are both applying for the **Carpentry** program for next semester: we wish them luck with the process



## PASNEWS

# Visit the Kwantlen Park PAC website to stay up to date on all PAC activities:

www.kwantlenparkpac.com

#### NEXT PAC MEETING: <u>WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3RD AT 7 PM</u> 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 <u>first</u> Wednesday of each month (except January 2018). 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: <a href="mailto:info@kwantlenparkpac.com">info@kwantlenparkpac.com</a>

