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## SEPTEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

### Principal's Message

Hello to our Parents and Students! I hope you are all well and safe! Again, welcome back and please remember that when our students returned to Kwantlen Park, our shared responsibility is to help end the COVID 19 pandemic. Therefore, we must plan to ensure the safety of our students and staff as we return to school.

#### Lunch:

Now that we are into late September, and the annual rains are starting to hit us, we are going to allow students to stay inside at lunch. Our hope is still for students to go home for lunch if it is possible; if not, we will take care of them. Again as a reminder, we are asking that all of our students eat lunch in their Block A classroom. After their lunch, the students can travel throughout the school inside and out.

#### School Open Morning Time: If possible, please do not drive your kids to school earlier!

As you know, school starts at 8:25 each morning for our grade 8/9 students and for our grade 10-12 school starts at 8:55. With the weather turning worse, we are now allowing students to come into the building at 8:10 each morning for our grade 8/9s and 8:35 for our Grade 10-12s.

#### Parent Consent Required for On-line Classes:

The school district is in the process of turning on Two-Way Text Private Chat and Two-Way Video Conferencing for our on-line courses. The district is asking that all parents fill out one of the following fillable PDF consent forms. Your child's learning at home would benefit from opportunities for two-way video conferencing with school staff. Two-way video conferencing may also include small group or whole class participation.

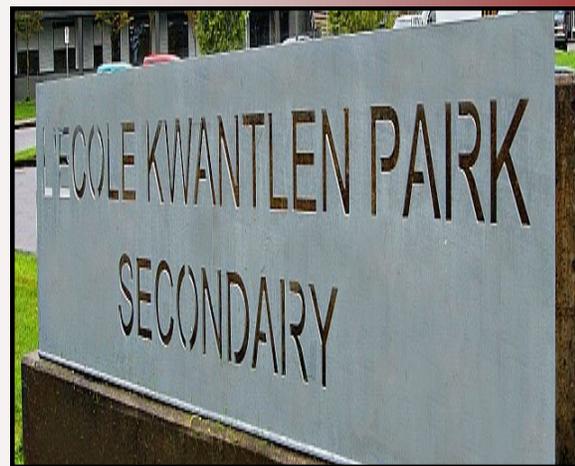
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### PRINCIPAL: MR. T. CROSS

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

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

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

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**Mr. D. Sedaros (Dhi-Kr)**

**Ms. G. Missellbrook (Ku -Ram)**

**Ms. C. Prentice (Ran-Z)**

With your consent, the times and manner of the video conferences will be set by the school staff in consultation with you, and these sessions will be communicated through the method decided by the school staff. Our top priority is to ensure that the best supports are in place while protecting the privacy of families and students. An email with working links was sent to parents on September 24th.

[Parent Consent for Two-Way Video Conferencing between School Staff and Secondary Students.pdf](#)

[Parent Consent for Two-Way video conferencing for students who require adult support at home.pdf](#)

We are asking that families send these forms back to school with your children to the office side window by Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.

Beginning Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, IMS will begin the procedure of turning off Two-Way Video Communication for students who have not returned their consent forms.

### **PE Classes in our Local Community:**

Our PE classes are planning on spending more class time outside, therefore, please be advised that students will be going for walks and runs through our community. They will be under the direct supervision of their teachers at all times.

### **Student Fees:**

\$20 Student Fee: this year, because of the unique situation we are in, the \$20 Student fee will be waived for the time being.

Grad Fee: this year we will be postponing the collection of this year's Grad fee until later in the school, most likely February.

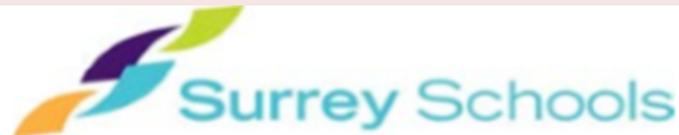
### **On-line Grade 8 & 9 Schedule:**

Our grade 8 and 9 Kwantlen on-line courses began on Monday September 21. Teachers are currently reaching out to their on-line students using Microsoft Teams (our teaching platform), email or telephone. Again, direct teaching will occur on Teams so it is important that all students be enrolled in the appropriate Team. We are quite limited in what we can offer on-line to our grade 8 and 9 students, but rest assured that they will have an opportunity to complete their six core courses this year.

Parents, if you want your child to return to face-to-face learning for the next quarter, please contact your child's vice-principal or counsellor to discuss options.

## Daily Health Check:

Below is a daily health check that parents might want to complete with their child before they leave home for school if they are feeling sick! This useful checklist is provided by our school district's health and safety department to help keep all students and staff safe!



### Daily Health Check

Symptoms of Illness*	Does your child have any of the following symptoms?	Circle one	
		YES	NO
	Fever	YES	NO
	Chills	YES	NO
	Cough or worsening of chronic cough	YES	NO
	Shortness of breath	YES	NO
	Sore throat	YES	NO
	Runny nose / stuffy nose	YES	NO
	Loss of sense of smell or taste	YES	NO
	Headache	YES	NO
	Fatigue	YES	NO
	Diarrhea	YES	NO
	Loss of appetite	YES	NO
	Nausea and vomiting	YES	NO
	Muscle aches	YES	NO
	Conjunctivitis (pink eye)	YES	NO
	Dizziness, confusion	YES	NO
	Abdominal pain	YES	NO
	Skin rashes or discolouration of fingers or toes	YES	NO
International Travel	Have you or anyone in your household returned from travel outside of Canada in the last 14 days?	YES	NO
Confirmed Contact	Are you or is anyone in your household a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	YES	NO

\*Check BCCDC's [Symptoms of COVID-19](#) regularly to ensure the list is up to date.

If you answered "YES" to any of the questions and the symptoms are not related to a pre-existing condition (e.g. allergies) your child should **NOT** come to school.

If they are experiencing any symptoms of illness, contact a health-care provider for further assessment. This includes 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or a nurse practitioner.

If you answered "YES" to questions 2 or 3, use the [COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool](#) to determine if you should be tested for COVID-19.

## General Safety Protocols for all students:

To help ensure staff and student safety, students should only show up at their scheduled time and follow these safety guidelines:

### **Prior to coming to school, students must ensure they are healthy and feeling well.**

- Do not come to school if COVID symptoms are present. For example: new or worsening cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, temperature equal to or over 38°C, feeling feverish, chills, fatigue or weakness, muscle or body aches, new loss of smell or taste, headache.
- Students have been provided with two reusable face masks. Students must wear masks while in common areas, like hallways.
- Upon arrival at school, students must ENTER through one of two entrance areas: The main entry doors, and the Den doors. All other doors will be locked.
- Upon entry, students must use the hand sanitizer provided and proceed directly to their classrooms. As a precaution, students should wear masks as they could be entering the building with students outside of their cohort.
- Please come to school as close to the start time as possible as we do not want overcrowding outside the entry points. When exiting the building please do not loiter. You are to leave directly from school property.
- Non-medical masks are required in high traffic areas such as buses and in common areas such as hallways, or anytime outside of their learning group whenever physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Exceptions will be made for students who cannot wear a mask for medical reasons.
- Please follow the directional arrows in the building.
- Students must enter the classroom one at a time, in a socially distanced and patient manner.
- When in the classroom, students are to remain in the desk assigned to them.
- If students need to use the washroom, the teacher will ensure that only one person goes to the washroom at a time. When you exit and enter the classroom you need to hand sanitize. If the washroom is occupied, please wait outside in the hallway in a socially distanced space.
- **Washrooms:** some student washrooms will be closed, except for a number of universal bathrooms and few specific washrooms throughout the school; please use those if you need. This will help us sanitize bathrooms quickly.
- Students must engage in proper 20-second hand washing prior to leaving the washroom.
- At lunch, it is best to go outside and stay within your cohort whenever possible. If in contact with peers in different cohorts you will need to maintain physical distance of 2 meters and/or wear a mask.
- If a student is unable to physically distance, the student should only socialize within their cohort unless they are supported by an adult who can help the student physically distance from others.
- **Hand hygiene:** During the day, students must wash their hands regularly and use the hand sanitizer provided.
- **Physical distancing:** Students must avoid close greetings (ex: hugs, handshakes). When in the hallways, students must always be mindful of **maintaining a 2-meter distance from others** and/or wear a mask.
- At the end of the school day, students are to safely exit the school as soon as possible.
- **Water Bottles:** all students may bring water bottles to class if they wish; all water fountains except bottle dispensers are turned off.

# October 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
				1 Terry Fox Run 	2 Terry Fox Run 	3	
4	5 Department Head Meeting	6 Grade 8 Teacher's Release Day	7 SBT Meeting 7:30 am- Library Grade 8 Parent Meeting Pac Meeting 7 pm UBC Visit-3-4 pm Theatre	8	9	10	
11	12 Thanksgiving Day Statutory Holiday 	13	14	15 Great Shake-out	16	17	
18	19 Staff Committee Meeting	20	21 SBT Meeting 7:30 am- Library Dry Grad Meeting 7 pm	22 Gr 12 Parent Meeting 7 pm  Newsletter Item Due	23 Non-Instructional Day #2 No school for students	24	
25	26 Staff Meeting #2	27	Student Council – Halloween Spirit Week – October 26 – October 30			30 Newsletter on-line	31 

# Kwantlen Park

## Important Dates

### 2020-2021

<u>Day of Week</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Tuesday	September 8, 2020	Schools Open
Monday	September 28, 2020	Pro-D #1 - No school for students
Monday	October 12, 2020	Thanksgiving Day
Thursday	October 22, 2020	Early Dismissal - 1:30 pm - Parent/Teacher Conferences
Friday	October 23, 2020	Pro-D #2 - No school for students
Friday	November 6, 2020	Pro-D #3 - No school for students
Wednesday	November 11, 2020	Remembrance Day (Stat holiday)
Thursday	November 19, 2020	Early Dismissal - 1:30 pm
Monday - Friday	December 21, 2020 - January 1, 2021	Winter Break - No school for students
Monday	January 4, 2021	Schools reopen after winter break
Friday	February 19, 2021	Pro-D #4 - No school for students
Thursday	March 11, 2021	Early Dismissal - 1:30 pm - Parent/Teacher Conferences
Monday - Friday	March 15 - 19, 2021	Spring Break - No school for students
Monday - Friday	March 22 - 26, 2021	School Closure Days - No school for students
Friday	April 2, 2021	Good Friday
Monday	April 5, 2021	Easter Monday
Thursday	April 22, 2021	Early Dismissal - 1:30 pm
Friday	May 7, 2021	Pro-D #5 - No school for students
Monday	May 24, 2021	Victoria Day Holiday
Monday	May 31, 2021	Pro-D #6 - No school for students
Friday	June 25, 2021	Administrative Day - No school for students

# Student Council

Welcome Back to school! We hope that your Summer Break has been a great one and that everyone has stayed healthy and happy through the current world circumstances!

To start off the month, we have released our second round of student council application. This second round is to give grade 8s and people who missed round one of applications an opportunity to join our team! The due date for the applications has been listed as September 21st; allowing us to welcome our new members by September 25th!

Furthermore, as the students enter a new and unfamiliar learning environment, we wanted to give them a warm welcome to lift their spirits. What better way to lift Kwantlen Park spirit than by conducting a spirit week! Spirit Week is an opportunity for the students to show their school spirit by dressing up according to the themes of the day with their friends and even participate in some school activities!

Provided below is the list of days/themes!

Monday / 21st: Pajama Day

Come to school in your PJ's like you just got out of bed!

Tuesday / 22nd: Nike vs Adidas

Choose a side! Are you team Nike or team Adidas? Come in repping the side you're rooting for!

Wednesday / 23rd: Denim Day

Denim, denim, denim! Pretty self explanatory. Dress up with as much denim as you can.

Thursday / 24th: Flannel day

Who doesn't love a good flannel? Add a nice flannel to your school fit!

Friday / 25th: KP Colours day

To show your true school spirit, show off your KP colours or merch like a proud Timberwolf!

*Presidents:* Demi Ocampo / Janelle Biana

*Secretaries:* Sarah Ongcoy / Reiah Lico

*Treasurers:* Sophia Nguyen / Pla Sey

# Kwantlen Park Athletics Update

As a member school of BC School Sports, we operate under their guidelines, which are different than the guidelines that our community or club teams operate under (community sports operate under Via Sport). At this time, we are in Stage 2 of the Return to School Sport plan. This stage does not allow for any **inter-school competition**. Teams are permitted to train / practice under very strict protocols (i.e. training sessions can only take place with student-athletes from the same educational cohort). These protocols make it difficult for us to run any teams / practices at this time. We will be holding off on our Athletics program until we are able to move in to Stage 3 of the Return to Sport plan. For further information, please click on the link below to access the BC School Sports Return to School Sport document. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. C. O'Brien (Athletic Director) at [obrien\\_cl@surreyschools.ca](mailto:obrien_cl@surreyschools.ca). We understand that this is frustrating for many people and we highly value school sport. We will communicate any updates with you as soon as we hear anything.

<https://www.bcschoolsports.ca/news/bcss-return-school-sport-plan>





# BALDING for DOLLARS



## FOR WHAT?

B4D is an event we do annually in memory of a prior student of Kwantlen Park Secondary who unfortunately passed from cancer. Since then, it has been our mission to collect money to donate to the BC Children's Hospital.

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## OCTOBER

Donating will be available on the 2nd week of October and will continue until the event. *(October 5th, 2020)*

## NOVEMBER

The event will take place on the first week of November. *(November 2nd, 3rd)*



## DONATIONS

Donating will be done in 2 ways. There will be regular money donations, and also professional haircut donations.

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## MONEY DONATIONS

Money donations can be done in cash or online.

Donations online can be done through a link each teacher has from the Children's Hospital

*(See Block A teachers for the link)*

## HAIRCUT DONATIONS

To donate hair, you must have a minimum length of 8 inches.

You may also get a buzz cut if you do not have the minimum requirement of hair.

**We hope you can participate in some ways!**

# I ♥ TRANSIT

## October 5–9, 2020

Take learning beyond the classroom with I Love Transit! We're back for our 11th year with three opportunities for Metro Vancouver kids and teachers to share their creativity and learn about their transit system:

### 1. K-12 Students Ride the Bus for Free, October 5–9

*Tip:* Beat the rush by riding the bus during off-peak hours, between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Note: SkyTrain, SeaBus and West Coast Express travel are not included. Regular fares apply to adults accompanying students on the system.

### 2. Win a Visit from a TransLink Bus

Have transit come to you! We'll visit your school with a bus where kids will discover how to ride transit in a safe and fun way. Plus, learn how TransLink moves half a million people a day across Canada's largest transit service area.

### 3. Win Transit Passes for Your Class

Enter to win DayPasses for up to 35 students in your class to take transit for free on any day of their choice.\* A DayPass provides unlimited transit use on all buses, SkyTrain and SeaBus for one day.

To purchase tickets for your entire class, please send an email request to [bulkorders@translink.ca](mailto:bulkorders@translink.ca).

**HURRY! CONTESTS CLOSE ON OCTOBER 13, 2020**

**\*To enter and for more information, including contest rules and eligibility restrictions, visit [translink.ca/ilovetransit](https://translink.ca/ilovetransit)**

#### What is I Love Transit?

TransLink's I Love Transit is a week-long celebration of its customers and all things we love about transit.

It takes place each year during the first full week of October.

**#ILoveTransit**

TRANS LINK

# CAREER CENTRE NEWS— SEPTEMBER 2020 Pg1

## Career Department Staff:

Ms. Duffield, Career Facilitator / Careers Dept. Head – local 2502 (direct line: 604-587-7368)

Mr. Thiessen, Career Facilitator / Socials Teacher – local 2066

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

Career Quote: “Risk something or forever sit with your dreams.” - Herb Brooks

## SCHOLARSHIPS

All grade 12 students should join the newly created “KP Scholarship” Team on your surreyschools.ca Microsoft Office 365 account! There you will find all the latest scholarship information and opportunities. All grade 12 students should be applying as there are a huge variety of categories. Students should also check out <https://studentaidbc.ca/> for information on grants, student loans and additional funding sources.

## POST-SECONDARY BC VIRTUAL FALL EVENT

The former PSI event has a new name and a new way to deliver information! The PSBC event will be held live, virtually, for all Surrey students in grades 11 and 12 on Nov. 23-25. There will be 30 post-secondary institutes attending this event that will set up a virtual “booth” open to all interested students and parents who register for the event. Most institutions will have pre-recorded information for their booths as well as live presentations and live chat access.

Dates and times for the PSBC Virtual Fair are:

November 23, 2020 2pm-6pm

November 24, 2020 3pm-7pm

November 25, 2020, 3pm-7pm



\*Please note that this event is for grade 11/12 students and parents only. There will be a similar event in the new year designed for grade 10 students.

Stayed tuned for more information on how to register.

Check out <https://www.postsecondarybc.ca/events/> for more information and other upcoming virtual events!

## POST-SECONDARY BC VIRTUAL FALL EVENT Con't

While we wish KPU could visit your school in person this year, we are delighted to be able to participate in virtual visits with Post-Secondary BC, and to offer the following workshops and presentations via Microsoft Teams or Zoom this Fall, from the comfort of your students' devices at home (no need to group students):

- KPU General Presentation (both Live and taped versions)
- Career and Life Exploration (geared towards grade 10 and 11)
- Next Steps workshop (Spring)
- Transition or Co-op interviews

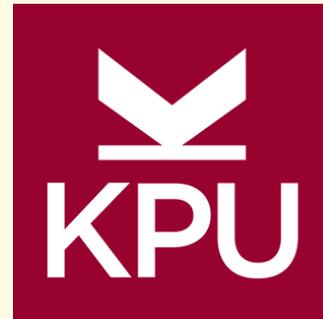
Please contact Zakiya Housil directly to book any of the above sessions - [Zakiya.Housil@kpu.ca](mailto:Zakiya.Housil@kpu.ca) / 604-365-5334.

### Important KPU dates for October:

October 1st: Applications Open! ([kpu.ca/apply](http://kpu.ca/apply))

October 3rd: KPU's first ever Virtual Open House.

To register: [kpu.ca/openhouse](http://kpu.ca/openhouse)



### [Open House | KPU.ca - Kwantlen Polytechnic University](http://www.kpu.ca)

Why should you choose a polytechnic education? Let us show you. As Canada's only polytechnic university, we're home to many programs and courses you can't find at other institutions. Join us for demos and presentations from faculty and staff to learn more and pick up some cool tips and tricks along the way. Want to tour the campus? You can! Take a virtual tour from a place of safety and comfort ...

<https://www.kpu.ca/openhouse>



### CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES EVENT FALL 2020

Similar to the PSBC event, the Canadian Universities Event (CUE) will be hosting a virtual fair on a variety of dates. There will be live online events as well as pre-recorded information for students and parents to access. Advanced registration will be required as the CUE website is limited to how many users can sign on at one time.

Mon. Sept. 28, 2020 4pm-8pm

Tues. Sept. 29, 2020 4pm-8pm

Wed. Sept. 30, 2020 4pm-8pm

Thurs. Oct. 1, 2020 4pm—8pm

Sat. Oct. 3, 2020 10am—2pm

Tues. Oct. 6, 2020 4pm-8pm

Thurs. Oct. 8, 2020 4pm-8pm



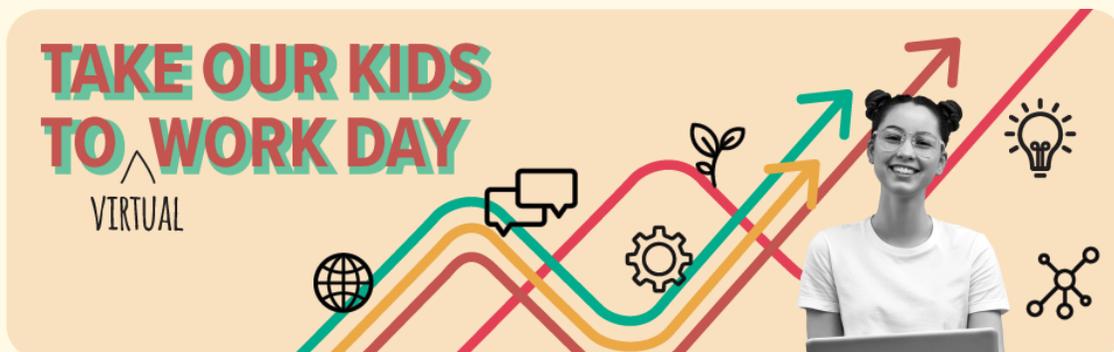
Exact details for registration and attendance will be shared closer to the CUE dates, so please keep an eye out for that information to come, or check out the CUE website at <https://cuebc.org/>

### TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK DAY

We're excited to share that Take Our Kids to Work Day will take place on Wednesday, November 4, 2020, so please save the date!

This year, in light of COVID-19, TOKTW has evolved to incorporate virtual experiences. It will be easier than ever before to engage students (and their parents/guardians) in robust skills and career exploration experiences to ensure they feel better prepared for the ever-changing future.

We can't wait to share more with you, but for now please save the date—November 4, 2020.



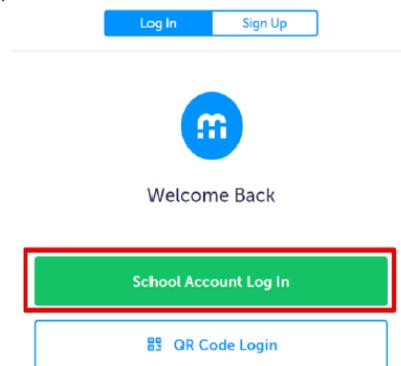
## MYBLUEPRINT

Myblueprint and the Surrey School District have made some changes to make it easier for students and staff to access myBlueprint.ca. Myblueprint is now linked with your surreyschools.ca account, eliminating the need to remember a separate login and password. Please refer to the instructions below to access myBlueprint.ca. For help in logging in to your account, come visit us in the Career Centre in A112.



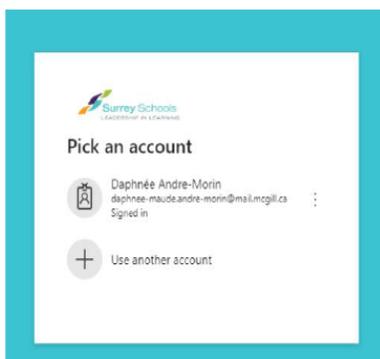
### myBlueprint Account Creation Steps

1. Visit [www.myBlueprint.ca/SD36](http://www.myBlueprint.ca/SD36)



2. Click **School Account Log In**

3. Log in using your SD36 credentials (MS teams email and password)





## HOW TO CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT

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VISIT

[myBlueprint.ca/Sd36](http://myBlueprint.ca/Sd36)

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1. Click

**School Account Log In**

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**Enter your SD36 Surrey Schools Credentials**

Visit the Kwantlen Park PAC

website to stay up to date

on all PAC activities:

[www.kwantlenparkpac.com](http://www.kwantlenparkpac.com)



**NEXT PAC MEETING: OCTOBER 7, 2020**

**MR. CROSS WILL OPEN THE MEETING WITH HIS MONTHLY REPORT.  
ALL PARENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND MONTHLY MEETINGS.**

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.

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](mailto:info@kwantlenparkpac.com)

**COMING UP IN  
OCTOBER**

