



SOUTHERN OKANAGAN SECONDARY SCHOOL

JUNE NEWSLETTER

Home of the Hornets!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

June is a busy and exciting time at school. There is only a brief time left for students to get projects and assignments handed in as the last day of classes is Wednesday, June 23rd. Exams and Final Assessment days are June 24th – 28th, but some classes will have in-class final assessments. Students are not expected to be at school during the exam days, unless they are writing a final assessment or have "I" work that needs to be completed. The Final Exam schedule will be posted on the website, in various locations around the school and is also included in this newsletter.

The last day for staff will be June 30th and report cards will be available online the following week. Students who were not successful with any of their courses will be contacted by teachers before the 29th and counsellors will re-schedule them for next year accordingly.

Student schedules will be posted on the portal shortly. Students will have a chance to make course changes, with parent approval, prior to the last day of school.

The Graduation Ceremony will be held in the courtyard on Monday, June 28th at 7:30pm. Grads please get your grad fees in and check in with Ms. Smith, Mr. Kitt or Mrs. Harrington if you have questions.

Our Enhancing Student Learning Community Partnership meeting will be held virtually on Monday, June 7th at 7:00pm. This will be an evening to engage our community in our school plans and to show how we know we are making enough of a difference for our students. You can e-mail the School and we can send you to zoom link to attend.

Best of luck to our grads of 2021. We are so proud of you. Let's finish strong!

T. Harrington

IMPORTANT DATES

June 21, 22, 23	Locker Clean-out and all books returned
June 24, 25, 28	Exam Days
June 28	Graduation Ceremony
June 29	Last Day of School
June 30	Administration Day, No School

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BUS REGISTRATION

The School District is continuing with online bus registration for next school year. Registration for buses start June 1. You can see all of the route lists and access the registration forms at [Student Transportation - Student Transportation - Okanagan Similkameen \(SD53\)](#).

The link to directly access the registration form for the 2021-2022 school year can be found at [SD53 Bus Registration Form 2021-22](#).



GRADUATION INFORMATION

Schedule of Events for Graduation 2021

Sunday, June 27

1:00pm – 3:00pm: Optional Parent/Grad Photo (max 4 + graduate) **SIGN UP REQUIRED**

Monday, June 28th

- 10:30am - 11:30am: Grad Run Through in the "U"
- 11:30am - 12:30pm: Pick up Grad Gown & Rockery Photo
- Afternoon: Option to take home gown for photos
- 6:45pm: Grads only- prepare for ceremony – meet in Atrium
- 7:30pm: Ceremony begins (live streamed)
- 9:30pm: Closing



Sign up for Sunday photo slots can be found at:

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/SOSS7@my53.onmicrosoft.com/bookings/>

Grad fees are overdue. Please connect with Miss Matthews to pay.

We need the help of our grad parents to prepare for the big day. Due to COVID restrictions we are limited in how many helpers we can have and when, but if you are able to help with any of the following, please let Stacey Smith know via email at ssmith@sd53.bc.ca or text (250-809-6885). The following is a list of the help we need from you:

- The week leading up to grad we will need someone to choose flowers and greenery for the venue
- Leading up to grad we may need someone with a big truck to pick up the big screen and equipment from Kelowna
- Sunday morning/early afternoon - parents with a truck to pick up the chosen greenery and flowers
- Sunday morning/early afternoon - parents to help with decorating
- Tuesday morning - parents with a truck to return the big screen and equipment to Kelowna
- Tuesday morning - parents with a truck to return greenery and flowers

Please contact Stacey Smith, Tracy Harrington or Rod Kitt with any grad related questions.

INDIGENOUS DEPARTMENT

Way' Families,

This month we honored Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls by hanging red dresses with facts and statistics throughout the school. With the help of Ms. Shione's Social Justice and Ms. Kingsfield's Art Classes we were able to have art work of dresses and painted red shoes to help bring awareness to this important issue. There were many staff and students wearing red in support.

This month we also started a club which is LGBTQ2S friendly. It's a skateboard club which promotes diversity and inclusion; Our Indigenous Advocate Shan has been running this club since March. We went with the English First Peoples 10 Class to the Penticton Art Gallery and discussed Resilience in Art. On our hike, former PIB Chief, John Kruger led us and shared his knowledge.

We have visited 6 classes to facilitate the Blanket Exercise which demonstrates 500 years of Colonialism and the Intergenerational affects from residential schools.

Shan has been going into Foods and the Cafeteria to do some traditional cooking as well.

June is looking like a busy month with it being National Indigenous History Month. We will be doing a school wide challenge of a Nsyilxcen word of the day to promote the local Indigenous Language. We will have daily, weekly and monthly prizes as incentives to get as many people to participate as possible. For the month of June we have Taylor Baptiste working with us to help with our busy month and to help facilitate drum making in English First Peoples and EPIC.

We have enjoyed this year and look forward to the 2021-2022 school year in the Fall.

Way' -Shannon Peltier and Shynai Borho



ULTIMATE FRISBEE

The Hornet's Ultimate team has continued their season of development and fun throughout the month of May. I have seen a great increase in our athletes' knowledge and skill as they have had more time to practice and learn a new sport. Our team has consistently seen an average of over twenty students per practice of both male and female athletes attending. I am very proud of our athletes for buying into this season. Although we did not get a chance to compete this year, I feel that our team will be ready for competition next spring against the top teams around the Okanagan with a goal of qualifying for the valley regional tournament. Our final practice of the year will be on Thursday, June 3rd as students gear up for their exams. I am excited for next year's return to play and wish everyone a safe and healthy summer.

Head Coach Hornets Ultimate
Richard Hall



END OF YEAR BOOK RETURN

The end of the Semester and the school year are quickly approaching.

Students are reminded that all text books, English novels and library books and materials are to be returned to the Library by June 29th. If there is any damage (i.e. water damage, etc.) to the books or equipment when returned, the student is responsible to pay for that item so that it may be replaced. If students have not returned all of their checked out materials to the Library, they will not be able to check out resources/text books when school returns in September for any of their classes.



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NEWS + RESOURCES FOR B.C. EDUCATORS



May 17, 2021

EASE Online



Everyday Anxiety Strategies for Educators (EASE) Goes Online

Everyday Anxiety Strategies for Educators (EASE) is now available in an electronic format. [EASE Online](#) is a collection of free resources and lesson plans for educators to help teach strategies to address anxiety with students in grades K-7. The online version includes six sections with a series of interactive activities including the creation of an action plan to use EASE strategies with students. The activities are intended to help educators create supportive learning environments for all students.

Developed by the Ministry of Children and Family Development in partnership with Anxiety Canada, EASE supports the goals of B.C.'s mental health strategy, [A Pathway to Hope](#), and has been used in B.C. schools since 2019.



Ministry of Education

June



SOSS Cafeteria Menu

2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Butter Chicken Cucumber Salad		Pizza Subs Green Salad		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Penne Alfredo Mushroom Soup		Stir-fry with Rice Wonton Soup		Tacos	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		Naan Pizza		Perogies Borscht		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Burgers & Fries Coleslaw		KITCHEN CLEAN-UP NO SERVICE			
27	28	29	30			

DUAL CREDIT PROGRAM

The Health Care Assistant program will be offered in our district in partnership with NVIT. If you want to enroll in this program under the Dual Credit model, your tuition will be paid for and you will get credits for high school graduation. The program will start in September on line, with full face to face instruction starting in February. See Mr. Kitt at rkitt@sd53.bc.ca for details.

Join **NVIT** in: Oliver and Penticton, BC – (and Surrounding Areas)

Health Care Assistant

Who are we?

As an Indigenous centre for excellence, NVIT inspires learners to strengthen community. One of NVIT's key strategies is to maintain and enhance strategies to respond to community needs for programs and services. NVIT is a leader in Indigenous education and we are excited bring our program to Oliver!

What will we offer?

The Health Care Assistant Program is designed to provide students with opportunities to develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to function effectively as frontline caregivers and respected members of the healthcare team, in community and facility settings. Under the direction and supervision of a health professional, graduates provide person-centered care aimed at promoting and maintaining the physical, emotional, cognitive, and social well-being of clients/residents.

Upon completion of the program, graduates are prepared to work in any level of continuing care, including home support, adult day care, assisted living, and complex care (including special care units).

Rationale

The health care industry is not only facing a shortage of well-trained workers, but also aims to increase the number of Indigenous people employed in the industry.

Classroom Locations:

Osoyoos Indian Band Health Unit
1155 SenPokChin Blvd.
Oliver, BC

Carmi Elementary School
400 Carmi Ave
Penticton, BC

Dual Credit Program

Start Date: September 13, 2021

End Date: June 28, 2022

Admission Requirements

- High school graduation or mature student status, with a minimum English 10 or equivalent, and Math 10 or equivalent.

•HCA program applicants who have not been educated in an English-speaking environment (a country with English language systems/institutions) are required to meet English language requirements as outlined in the [BC Care Aide Registry](#).

Pre-Practice Requirements

- Standard First Aid Certification with CPR level "C"
- BC Food Safe Certificate Level 1
- Proof of a negative TB skin test. In case of a positive TB skin test, a negative TB chest x-ray report is required. (This requirement is only valid for 6 months)
- Solicitor General Criminal Record Search that reveals the absence of a criminal record
- Updated immunizations - measles, mumps, rubella, polio, tetanus, diphtheria, hepatitis B, and current influenza vaccination.

Recommended Characteristics

- Ability to work under direction and to act with initiative as a member of the health care team
- A genuine concern for the well-being of others
- Patience and perseverance
- Flexibility, trustworthiness, and dependability
- Maturity
- Ability to communicate effectively in both written and spoken English
- High standard of personal hygiene and grooming
- Ability to use problem-solving approach
- Physical stamina
- No sensitivity or allergy to latex
- Ability to work in environments where standards may be different from one's own

To Apply, Contact:

ROD KITT

SD53 Career Education Coordinator
(250) 408-8365
rkitt@sd53.bc.ca

TREVOR KNOWLTON

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Need more info?

Contact Chelsea Vaughan: cvaughan@nvit.ca



STUDENTS PLEASE PICK UP CERTIFICATES FROM MRS. WOLFE IN THE LIBRARY

MERIT HONOR ROLL 2021 (3.0-3.4)

GRADE 10

Colton Caverly
Ben Cook
Eden Cummings
Dilshaan Dhaliwal
Takdir Dhaliwal
Jeff Dial
Aidan Duursma
Jasmine Encina
Maura Gaudet
Chantelle Gibson
Sawyer Klone
Achile Kosaka
Gavin Mann
Matthew Mythen
Yuvraj Panaich
Meadow Pavlovic
Madison Ramsay
Travis Schaffrick
Lucy Weinberger

GRADE 11

Owen Berukoff
Sharleen Brar
Serena Deol
Navrit Dhaliwal
Kaylee Fortunato
Adrianna Froese
Lexis Hartle
Allison Herbert
Simrdeep Mann
Hayden Murphy
Shael Narayan
Ava Podmorow
Stella Quaadvlieg
Kelsey Szoke
Jeremy Tite
Harmeet Tung
Larissa Watt

GRADE 12

Tyler Antunes
Sam Bailey
Brody Beacon
Sohan Brar
Tristen Carrington
Minraj Dhillon
Rachel Dunlop
Jasmeen Gill
Jaden Manzuik
Enola Mills
Eugenio Oliveira
Brody Pister
Camryn Pister
Ethan Polkinghorne
Bavneet Sooch
Dillon Wiens
Gavin Zandee

HONOR ROLL 2021 (3.5-4.0)

GRADE 10

Julianna Austen
Fallon Brodie
Anabel Fridrich
Harneet Grewal
Aikium Karwasra
Nicholas Lang
Harleen Mann
Samantha Stanley
Phi Thai
Nickolas Trakalo

GRADE 11

Eiktaran Bahniwal
Harveer Brar
Navroop Brar
Katie Cleave
Dylan Faulkner
Arshveer Ghadu
Khushdeep Gill
Alyssa Hug-Willburn
Abby Kamann
Joey Khangura
Danielle Larose
Nathan Millward
Ansh Sharma
Nimrit Sidhu
Andrew Talbot
Phat Thai
Giselle Weisheit

GRADE 12

Bhavnpreet Brar
Ashreet Gill
Dayna Ingbritson-Hunt
Connor Kitt
Ben Koenig
Jayden Leclercq
Mataya Leinor
Angeles Mayorga-Aravelo
Khushi Sharma
Jassimran Sidhu
Thea Thomson
Amy Tite
Kahlin Zeniuk

Congratulations!

JUNIOR HONOR ROLL 2021

GRADE 8

Maya Baerg
Harshan Bajwa
Rylan Bakker
Jack Baptiste
Kayla Barisoff
Ty Belanger
Lena Berukoff
Kieran Bidmead
Emily Bidmead
Heera Buttar
Pavi Buttar
Makayla Casorso
Riya Cahal
Saxon Connor-Garrity
Maya Faugno
Eli Fernandes
Preston Gabriel
Arshdeep Gill
Abril Gomez-Zacarias
Owen Grice
Thomas Horan
Kimveer Karwasra
Ari Kendrick
Lane Kirs
Amanda Knelsen
Logan Launier
Fabiola LeBreux
Kaeli Lester
Kyra Linders
Chloe Luypen
Rowen Malmberg
Madelyn Miller
Janaya Murphy
Kian Narayan
Jordyn Nelson
Travis Nelson
Kate Noftle
Amelie Ogden
Merrick Ogden
Ethan Pearle
Zephyr Pickell
Emilee Poole
Summer Robinson
Charlize Ruck

GRADE 8 CONT...

Evan Russell
Hayden Scanlon
Jackson Schaffrick
Emily Seminoff
Arshpreet Sidhu
Parmvir Sidhu
Mayera Soni
Gracie Stagg
Nicholas Stone
Xavier Subotin
Savanna Van Drimmelen
Alex Weisheit
Vanessa Whittall
Jesse Wyatt

GRADE 9

Ravinder Aujla
Evleen Badesha
Natalia Baldwin
Jackie Bracken
Preet Brar
McKenna Burns
Hannah Cleave
Maisey Cobb
Mya Crowley
Jack Croxton-Moody
Lavreen Deol
Sabreen Deol
Kushleen Dhaliwal
Prathap Dhaliwal
Iesha Dhillon
Pawanveer Dhillon
Megan Donesley
Kimberly Espinoza Rivas
Charlie Ferguson
Charvi Gill
Dilraj Gill
Erika Ingbritson-Hunt
Emma Klassen
Kaylee Klassen
Jordyn Koteles
Anabel Lefebvre

GRADE 9 CONT...

Tyler Sky Louie
Ryder Martin
Jaxon Martindale
Halee McLeod
Emma Millward
Kandice Pagtakhan
Madison Pearce
Danica Quaedvlieg
Kaitlyn Rouw
Inook Simard
Landon Somerville
Abby Streeter
Abigail Swift
Callum Thomson
Gavin Tite
Harbaj Tung
Hasnoor Tung
Ronin VanGeest
Riley Wiker
Aidan Wolfe

