Next Week at Colquitz-Jan. 25th-29th, 2021

Monday, January 25, 2021 - Professional Development Day No School for Students

FSA Testing

Our grade 7 parents will be aware that we will be writing the annual FSA (Foundations Skills Assessment) again this year. The FSA provides schools with a snapshot of the learning of their grade 7 cohort. Hopefully, parents will have watched the video from our district Superintendent, Shelley Greene, which informs viewers about the important purpose and benefit of the FSA. If you have any other questions about it please do not hesitate to call the Vice-Principal Ms. Scott or the Principal Mr. Macintosh.

Transfer Process Starts on February 8, 2021

By now all grade 8 parents should have received a letter from us to let you know where we expect your child to be going for high school. If the information in that letter is incorrect then please contact us here to make us aware of the mistake. If the high school identified is not the school you or your child wishes to attend, then you will need to put in a transfer request between the dates of February 8th and February 11th. The forms required to do this will be available on the district website as of February 8th. If you would like more information regarding this process, please visit the district site and look under the registration tab.

Upcoming Events

Skating: Division 10 and Division 13 - Thursday, January 28th - 10am to Noon

Twin Day: Thursday, January 28th

Skating: Division 21 and Division 23 - Thursday, February 4th - 10am to Noon

The 2021-22 Transportation On-line Application Process will take place during the following dates:

- Regular Program Bussing/BC Transit Feb 16 to March 11
- Special Needs Bussing/BC Transit Mar 12 to April 9
- SJ Burnside month of September (specific days TBA)

Please refer to the Transportation Webpage for ongoing information on the application process and eligibility: <u>https://www.sd61.bc.ca/our-district/departments-services/</u> <u>facilities-department/student-transportation/</u>

Families who are **currently receiving** Transportation should have been emailed the dates/webpage info, and will also receive reminders to apply.

Any new or transitioning applicants should take note of the above process and deadlines.

Any new students moving into the district or changing catchment **after the above dates** will need to apply by emailing Transportation: <u>Transportation@sd61.bc.ca</u>

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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The *Survival Sock Initiative* is back at Colquitz!

The students in the Change the World Club are collecting toiletry items for our Survival Socks. Our goal is to put together 100 socks stuffed with toiletries to deliver to the homeless adults on Victoria's streets. We will be working with the Dandelion Society to get these socks delivered.

We are looking to collect new toothbrushes,

toothpaste, dental floss, small (hotel size/ sample size) shampoo, conditioner, body wash, soap, small tissue packages, feminine hygiene products, combs, band-aids, qtips, hand sanitizer or wipes and new or nearly new dark coloured adult sized socks. We can also stuff the socks with small non-perishable items such as Granola bars, fruit leathers and packages of gum.

Thank you in advance for any donations. This is a wonderful way to make a positive impact in our community. Please contact Laura-Lyn Helton or Brianne Irving at Colquitz Middle School if you have any questions.