



Jan 10, 2025

Dear Parents, Guardians & Students,

Just some reminders for the upcoming week:

Jan 13, 14 & 16 **Ministry Assessments**

Jan 14 -16 **Grad Photo Retakes**

Student Learning Surveys

Students (and parents) in grade 10, 11, and 12 across the province have the opportunity to give feedback on their educational experience through [Student Learning Surveys from the BC Ministry of Education](#). The purpose of the Student Learning Survey is to gather information that will influence curriculum changes, learning environment, student wellness and satisfaction, student belonging and engagement, and career preparation.

Students will be provided an opportunity to complete these surveys in the months of February to Friday, May 2, 2025, at school.

Parents are able to access the survey from now until Friday, May 2, 2025, at www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm.

[From more information and login instructions, please click here.](#)

HPV Vaccination for Students in Grades 11 & 12

Please see the [information](#) from Island Health regarding an opportunity for students in grades 11 & 12 to catch up on any HPV vaccinations they have missed.

Grade 9 Dance Wednesday, January 29, 2025

On Wednesday, January 29, 2025, at 5:30 to 8:30 the grade 9 leadership class will be hosting a grade 9 student dance in the cafeteria. Tickets will be on sale at lunch in the school leading up to the event for \$3. Proceeds from the dance will go to Women's Transition House and Women in Need. There will be no ticket sales at the door; pre-purchased tickets are required for entry. Dancing, music, concession, and social time for this winter themed dance.

Provincial Assessments – January Catch Up

Our January provincial assessment window is open next week; students who have missed previously scheduled assessments have been invited to catch up these assessments, as well as the Semester 1 French immersion students for their LTF 12 assessment. The cafeteria will be the location, and students are encouraged to arrive a few minutes early to check in. Students (and families) scheduled to write these assessments have been emailed to their @sd61learn.ca accounts with a time slot and indication that they need to write the assessment. The Schedule is as follows:

- Monday, January 13:
 - 9:00 to 12:00 - Numeracy 10 for 11s and 12s who are missing assessments – last names A-M
 - 12:30 to 3:00 - Numeracy 10 for 11s and 12s who are missing assessments – last names N-Z
- Tuesday, January 14:
 - 9:00 to 12:00 – French Literacy LTF 12 Written for Garraway’s Block A
 - 12:30 to 3:00 - Literacy 10 for missing 10s, 11s, and 12s – last names A-O
- Thursday, January 16:
 - 9:00 to 12:00 - Literacy 10 for missing 10s, 11s, and 12s – last names P-Z and Literacy 12 for missing 12s
 - 12:30 to 3:00 - Make up session

During Block A on Monday, Jan. 20, and Tuesday, Jan. 21, the LTF 12s will do the Oral Assessment

For more information on provincial assessments, please visit <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/assessment> or connect with Mr. Jared Adams (jadams@sd61.bc.ca), Vice Principal.

Scholarship Info.

Grade 12 families: Reminder! ~ **Monday, January 13th**, Mr. Alexander will be hosting a [How To Apply for Scholarships](#) info evening for both students and Parents – 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the Oak Bay Theatre.

This is the second part of the presentation from Applying to Postsecondary Evening. All grade 12’s and families are welcome to attend.

Hot Lunch Program

Lunch cards are available through <https://sd61.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/57798/140/False/True>

See the [link](#) for January’s menu

