

April 28, 2023

VICE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Another month comes to a close! It has been a busy last two weeks here at ACSS. Report cards were published on Monday, April 24 and should now be available for parents and students to view on MyEd BC. We have only 8 weeks of school left in the semester, and it is wonderful to see so many different things happening in the school. Spring sports are in full swing and our badminton, rugby, girls soccer, and track and field teams have all been travelling around the Fraser Valley representing ACSS at a range of competitions. Check out the school social media pages for updates on where teams are playing in the coming weeks!

We recently hosted the Aldergrove Night of Music which brought together Parkside, Betty Gilbert, and ACSS' bands and choirs for a wonderful night of musical and choral performances. A huge thank you to Mrs. Mills (BGMS and ACSS) and Mrs. Hardy (Parkside) for all the work they did in making the night so successful. Sticking with the fine arts theme, Ms. Courtney and the art students here at ACSS have put together a wonderful show now on display at the Kinsmen Community Center. Thank you to all of the students who have contributed to the over 100 pieces of art we now have on display.

This coming week is a busy one. Sunday, April 30 is the annual Aldergrove Car Show. Come by the school during the day to see the wide selection of cars on display. Thank you to Mr. Jones and his Automotive Service Technician students for all of their work organizing this popular event. As we get closer to the end of the year, scholarships are beginning to be awarded to graduating students. Thursday, May 4 is the school district's SASSY awards evening where several ACSS grads are nominated for a range of scholarships.

We will be the host site for the Eastern Valley Athletic Association's Junior and Senior badminton tournament as our ACSS player compete for berths to the provincial championships on May 10. Good luck to Mr. Dhaliwal and the players on the team! On May 11, we will be hosting Ted Swan, an ICBC Road Safe speaker, as he presents to our Grade 11 and 12 students his story and lessons around driving safety.

Have a wonderful week.

Greg Kilvert

Vice-Principal

Aldergrove Community Secondary School





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2023 Upcoming Dates

May

May 19 — Professional Day — **students not in attendance** May 22 — Victoria Day — **students not in attendance**

June

June 12 — Graduation Ceremonies

June 16 — Strawberry Tea and Prom

June 22 — Last day of classes

June 29 — Final Report Card

The Langley School District has made recent changes to L.E.A.P. (Langley Environmental Awareness Program), Fort Langley Elementary's outdoor education program, which includes becoming an academy. Because of these changes, L.E.A.P. is now looking to expand to grade 5. If you have a student who is going into grade 2-5, we encourage you to explore this opportunity using our website: https://tinyurl.com/5n97k6pn. If you think your child could benefit from this experience and you want to learn more about the program, please complete this expression of interest form before May 1st:

https://tinyurl.com/2svn5vrk.





Substance Use Decriminalization Information for Parents, Guardians and Caregivers

The Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions, in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Child Care, has developed an information sheet on substance use decriminalization for parents, guardians, and caregivers. Talking to Children and Youth about Decriminalization and Substance Use: Resources for Parents/Guardians and Caregivers is now available on the erase website.

FamilySmart Presentation

Please share in your newsletters – May 4th from 6–8pm online - Dr. Ross Greene will be speaking about how Collaborative and Proactive Solutions can help us show our kids we care about them. Solving problems together creates connection and allows our children to be a part of finding solutions to what is causing their concerning behaviour. Dr. Greene's work reminds us that things go better for everyone, when we solve problems together and that kids do well if they can.

<u>Dr. Ross Greene - Collaborative & Proactive Solutions: Moving From Power and</u>

<u>Control to Collaboration and Problem-Solving - FamilySmart</u>







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Premier's Award of Excellence

The Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education provides students, parents, teachers and others in the community with an opportunity to recognize education professionals who make a real difference in BC schools. Please consider

nominating a teacher from your school community who is worthy of consideration for this prestigious award. The nomination window is now open and will remain open until Friday May 5.

PremiersAwards_ExcellenceinEducation_Poster2023.pdf

Fillable Nomination Form.pdf

3rd Annual I.D.E.A. Summit – May 9th at the Langley Events Centre
Come see entrepreneurship and creativity in action at the I.D.E.A. Summit!
I.D.E.A. stands for Innovation, Design, Entrepreneurship and Altruism.

Students across the District will be participating and competing throughout the day in the Market and Socialpreneurship Showcases, Thinkology and Design Challenges, Pitch Challenges, and the I.D.E.A Summit Finale. The finishers will be awarded prizes and/or scholarships which have been generously donated by the local business community.

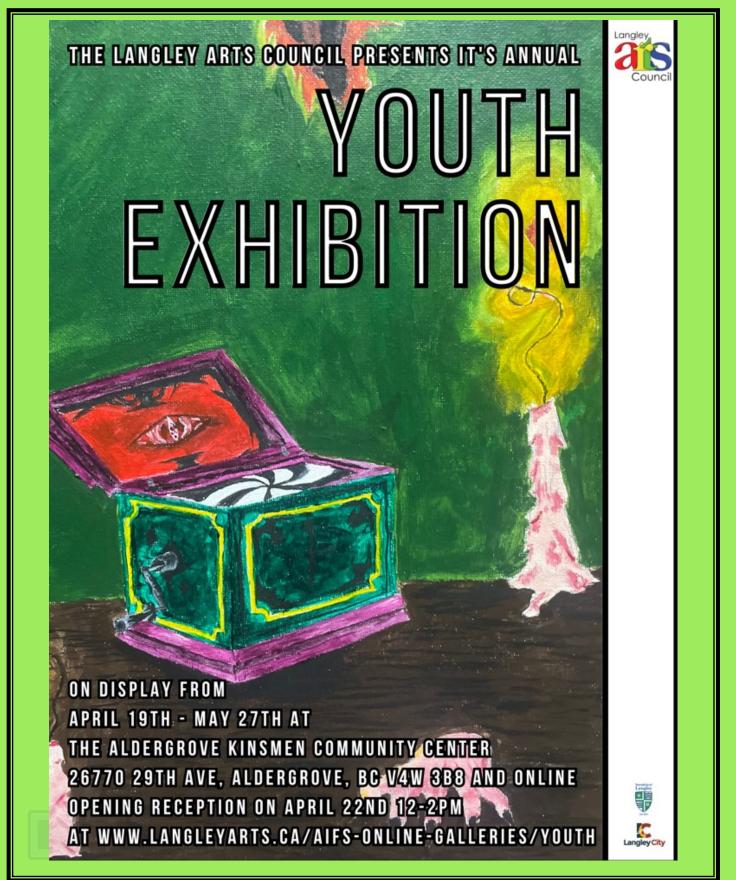
In addition, students participating in this year's <u>IDEA-X Challenge</u> will also be showcasing their solutions during the day. The IDEA-X Challenge involves several teams of students from various secondary schools who have been tasked with coming up with innovative solutions to design a future Langley that could exist in 50 years which is environmentally responsible, earth-conscious, incorporates Indigenous perspectives and honours what is important to today's residents.

Join us at the Langley Events Centre (Building B) located at 7888 200th Street in Langley on **May 9, 2023 from 9:15 am – 3:30 pm**. For more information and to view the schedule, click <u>here</u>.

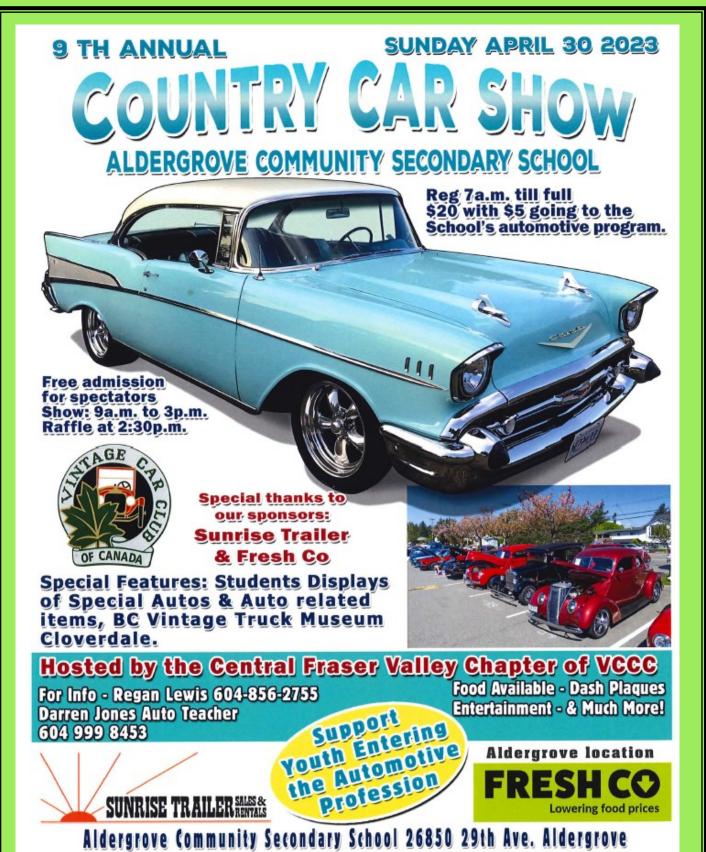
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GRAD 2023

NEWSLETTER

Friday, April 28 2023

Grad news provided by Ms. Caines - for any questions, please email kcaines@sd35.bc.ca or call 604-856-2521

Important Dates

- Ongoing Dry Grad deposit due \$30 fee can be paid to the e-transfer email 2023acssdq@amail.com or online at SchoolCashOnline.
- April 28th 2023 \$50 Grad Fees Due. These cover a portion of the cost of gown rental as well as student transportation to and from rehearsal.
- April 28th 2023 Grad Stage Crossing Writeups Due. This will be read as you cross the stage and will be provided to our ASL interpreters.
- May 12 2023 Any grad enrolled in online coursework (through LEC, AVS, CHO, etc.) needs to be at 75% completion and in a position to pass the course. Students must show counsellors/admin their progress reports.
- June 7 2023 Scholarship Luncheon Presentation. Students receiving Scholarships and/or Bursaries will be invited to a catered luncheon for themselves and guests in the ACSS library. More info to follow.
- June 8 2023 Grad Gown handout after school. More info to follow.
- June 12th 2023 Grad Rehearsal, Grad Walk, Grad Convocation
 Ceremony (more info to be provided in due course, but this date has been confirmed and booked at Christian Life Assembly in Langley.)
- June 16th 2023 Strawberry Tea & Grad Banquet (Prom). More info to be provided in due course, but this date has been confirmed and booked at Clarion Hotel in Abbotsford (by Castle Fun Park).
- June 16th 2023 Dry Grad event at ACUCC immediately after banquet.

Yearbooks Are SOLD OUT

Yearbooks are <u>SOLD OUT</u> for this school year. We may have limited copies available in June but will not know until distribution time.

Grad Stage Crossing

Grad stage crossing write ups are due on April 28th at 3pm and must be submitted in the 3rd person online here:

https://forms.office.com/r/WER5aCmJ9m/

If you missed the cut-off. Please come see Ms. Caines on Monday, May 1st.

Dry Grad

DRY GRAD IS HAPPENING AND THE VENUE HAS BEEN SECURED

Dry Grad is a parent organized and parent sponsored event that takes place immediately after Banquet/Prom.

Dry Grad events take place across the district annually are designed to create a safe and memorable drug and alcohol free evening for our graduates. We have received significant funding from the community to put on the event and because of this, Dry Grad at the ACUCC immediately after the banquet will be happening. Please ensure you have paid your \$30 Dry Grad deposit to 2023acssdg@gmail.com or drop off your cash deposit in the office with Ms. Beach.















Dry Grad Fundraiser

https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/2023-aldergrove-community-secondary-dry-grad/ref/sm

View our Gourmet Foods by scanning the QR code below All of your favorites are just a click away...











Aldergrove Community Secondary Dry Grad NEUFELD FARMS FUNDRAISER

Orders In By: May 9 2023, end of day Pick up: May 17th 2023, 6:00 pm





https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/2023-aldergrove-community-secondary-dry-grad

www.neufeldfarms.ca







CLASS OF 2023 ACSS DRY GRAD BOTTLE RETURN FUNDRAISER!





Bring your unsorted containers in transparent bags to any Return-It Express location



Log in at the Express label stand using the ACSS phone number 604-856-2521



Using the label stand, print off the labels, tag each of your bags, and leave them with Return-It staff



They'll sort your contains and credit the Class of 2023 ACSS Dry Grad account!



Dry Grad Fundraiser - Just mention Aldergrove Community Secondary

When your grads purchase or rent their formal attire from us for **any Grad event**, we contribute to your grad celebration

	Level 1		Level 2	
	We send your grad class a cheque		We send your grad class a cheque	
İ	for \$150 when 10+ shop with us.		for \$250 when 20+ shop with us.	
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Come as a Visitor, Leave as a Friend

HOMESTAY FAMILIES NEEDED

Have a life changing experience and welcome an international student into your home!

Homestay families are provided \$950/month to offset costs!

CATCHMENT AREA SCHOOLS:

Aldergrove Community Secondary
Brookswood Secondary
Langley Secondary
Walnut Grove Secondary
Langley Fine Arts Secondary
Langley Fundamental Secondary
R.E. Mountain Secondary
D.W. Poppy Secondary

HOW TO APPLY:

Please visit our International Student Program website (Homestay section): www.studyinlangley.com and complete the online Homestay Application!

FURTHER INFORMATION:

Please contact:

Langley School District International Students Program Tel: 604-534-7891

We are located at the Langley School Board Office 4875 - 222 Street, Langley, BC

<u>Transportation Registration 2023-2024</u>

Transportation registration for 2023-24 is now open. Please note the instructions to register are different for each category of rider. To help in our planning and creation of bus routes, registrations must be submitted by May 15 (eligible riders) and June 18 (courtesy riders). The District cannot guarantee approval after the deadline. New and existing riders can find more information on our Transportation Registration webpage here.

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Meet our Community School Coordinator - Stephanie Eby

See link here: https://www.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/district-board-news/view/connecting-with-the-community-qa-with-community-school-coordinators/

Community School Coordinator

Did you know that you can reach out to me for needs like food, housing,

program support, and other community needs?

My role is to connect students and families to community supports, provide out of school programming, and bring resources into the community.

You can reach out by phone or email or book an appointment through the link below.

Stephanie Eby

Aldergrove Community Schools Coordinator

- c. 604.862.5943
- e. seby@sd35.bc.ca

To book an appointment, click <u>HERE</u>

