Welcome to our first Events and Registrations Update for the 2021/2022 school year. We look forward to keeping families of the North Vancouver School District informed, by sharing a variety of initiatives and opportunities with you.

**AFK After School Art Classes – Registration Open**
After School Art for students in grades K-12 is back, with both in-person and virtual classes available. Students will explore new techniques and bring their own imagery and stories to life in drawing, painting, printmaking, ceramics, and more! All classes are taught by B.C. certified art specialist teachers. For more information and to register, visit the [Artists for Kids](#) website.

**Gordon Smith Gallery of Canadian Art: Beyond the Horizon - September 25, 2021 – February 24, 2022**
This year’s fall exhibition, Beyond the Horizon, is an expression that encourages us to consider what is “farther than the possible limit of sight, beyond what we can foresee, know or anticipate.” It is both visual – what we see – and conceptual – what we know. The horizon as a metaphor provides us with an opportunity to challenge and evaluate our own ways of knowing. The artists in this exhibition expand conventional uses of materials and explore modes of making through collaboration with other artists and the land. Click [HERE](#) for more information, including gallery hours.

**Elementary Band & Strings – Registration ends September 30**
After 50+ years, the Elementary Band and Strings program continues to shine! Thank you to all who made this possible for students--from the B.C. certified
music specialist teachers and school staff, to the supportive families who are their child's most amazing musical cheer team. Registration for the 2021/2022 school year ends September 30. For more information, visit our Elementary Band and Strings page.

**CNV Children & Youth Initiatives Fund – Application deadline is September 30**
The Youth Grant provides seed money to support or initiate events, programs and services for children and youth in the City of North Vancouver. All activities supported by this fund must be based in the City of North Vancouver or be of primary benefit to children and youth residents in the City. Two grants are available; click [HERE](#) for more information.

**Standing Committee Meeting - October 5**
The next Board of Education Standing Committee Meeting takes place virtually on Tuesday, October 5 at 7 p.m. Visit our [Meetings & Minutes](#) page for information on how you can provide input and to review the complete agenda (available on the Thursday afternoon preceding the public meeting).

**IEPs - What You Need to Know - October 6**
North Vancouver PAC invites all parents/guardians to a presentation on Wednesday, October 6 at 7 p.m. (via Zoom) with Suzanne Perreault, Counsellor & Inclusive Ed Consultant. Parents/guardians will gain an understanding on how to navigate the Individual Education Plan (IEP) and advocate for their child's learning plan. Registration in advance is required for this meeting. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

**Public Board Meeting - October 19**
The next Board of Education Public Board Meeting takes place virtually on Tuesday, October 19 at 6:30 p.m. Visit our [Meetings & Minutes](#) page for information on how you can provide input and to review the agenda and board package (available on the Thursday afternoon preceding the public meeting).
Kindergarten Orientation Information - October 20
A kindergarten orientation information presentation for parents/guardians of children who will enter kindergarten in September 2022 will be available online HERE starting Wednesday, October 20.

2022/2023 Kindergarten Registration
Registration for 2022/2023 kindergarten (children born in 2017) runs from October 25 - December 17. Detailed instructions on the registration process, including forms and documentation required, will be available soon HERE.

Homestay Families Needed
Homestay placements provide secondary school international students the opportunity to study in North Vancouver schools where they receive a quality education, while immersing themselves in the Canadian community experience. If you are interested in welcoming an international student into your home and learning more about the benefits and responsibilities that come with being a host family, visit our International Education Homestay Program page and connect with our International Education Program office at international@sd44.ca.

Settlement Workers in Schools Program
To assist newcomer students and their families settle into their school and community, the North Vancouver School District, in partnership with the North Shore Multicultural Society, has a school-based outreach program, Settlement Workers in Schools (SWIS). Learn more about the program by visiting our Settlement Workers in Schools page.

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