

Events and Registrations



Anti-Racism Focus Groups

As part of the NVSD's commitment to learning from the community's lived experiences to help ensure a welcoming, safe and inclusive culture for all school district community members, parents/guardians are invited to participate in anti-racism focus groups. Focus groups will take place via Zoom, with the first scheduled for today at 4 p.m.; the next on Thursday, November 25 at 4 p.m.

If you are interested in participating in the focus groups, which are facilitated by Bakau Consulting, please email Consultant Will Shelling at will@bakauconsulting.com, and use the **subject line: NVSD Parent/Guardian Focus Group [INSERT DATE]**. Please direct any questions about the focus groups to Bakau Consulting at feedback@bakauconsulting.com. Thank you for your participation.

Parenting Teens Workshop Series - begins November 18

Presented by Impact North Shore (formerly North Shore Multicultural Society), this free 5-session virtual workshop series--open to newcomers and immigrants and presented in Farsi--is designed to help you learn about Conscious Parenting to support your child in adolescence. For more information, click [HERE](#).

Explore & Create Saturday Art Program

Children aged 5 to 12 are invited to visit the Gordon Smith Gallery on Saturdays between 1 and 3 p.m. for art activities that are collage and drawing based and inspired by the current exhibition, [Beyond the Horizon](#). Admission is by donation (\$5 suggestion per attendee) and parental/guardian supervision is required. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

How Inclusion Benefits All - November 23

Presented by NVPAC, How Inclusion Benefits All is an interactive online Zoom presentation facilitated by Shelley Moore. Shelley's presentations are constructed based on contexts of specific schools and communities and integrate theory and effective practices of inclusion, special education, curriculum and technology. Register for the 6:30 p.m. November 23 session [HERE](#).

Technology, Sleep & Children - November 25

NVPAC is hosting White Hatters who will deliver a presentation on how technology can adversely affect children's sleep patterns. The presentation addresses sleep deprivation concerns, inhibited learning challenges, what families can do to overcome these challenges and includes a Q&A. Register for the 7 p.m. November 25 webinar [HERE](#).

Public Board Meeting - December 7

The next Board of Education Public Board Meeting takes place virtually on Tuesday, December 7 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).

2022/2023 Kindergarten Priority Placement Registration ends December 17

Registration (priority placement) for children entering kindergarten in September 2022 (children born in 2017) is open until December 17, 2021. Parents/legal guardians must book an appointment using our online booking system to register their child *in person* for kindergarten. Detailed instructions on the registration process, including forms and documentation required, are available [HERE](#).

An informational kindergarten orientation presentation is available online [HERE](#).

Gordon Smith Gallery of Canadian Art: Beyond the Horizon

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.