

Events and Registrations



Winter Break

Schools are closed for Winter Break between December 20, 2021 and January 3, 2022. Schools will re-open on Tuesday, January 4. The Education Services Centre (2121 Lonsdale Avenue) will remain open but is closed on Monday, December 27 (in lieu of Christmas); Tuesday, December 28 (in lieu of Boxing Day); and Monday, January 3, 2022 (in lieu of New Year's Day).

Events

Career Exploration Webinars - January 11 and 20

WorkBC and CES Career Education Society are co-hosting one-hour webinars to help parents/guardians start career conversations with youth and access tools for career exploration. Click [HERE](#) for information and to register.

Standing Committee Meeting - January 11

The next Board of Education Standing Committee Meeting takes place virtually on Tuesday, January 11 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).

Bullying Ends Here - January 12

NVPAC is hosting an online presentation with Tad Milmine of Bullying Ends Here on Wednesday, January 12 at 7 p.m. Tad will share his personal journey and lived experiences with bullying. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

Public Board Meeting - January 18

The next Board of Education Public Board Meeting takes place virtually on Tuesday, January 18 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).

Supporting Youth being Targeted by Aggression, Cyberbullying, Threats, Hacks and Violence - January 19

NVPAC is hosting the White Hatters for an online presentation on Cyberbullying on Wednesday, January 19 at 7 p.m. Learn how to support youth who may find themselves subject to various forms of aggression online. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

BC Secondary School Graduation Requirements Workshop - January 27

Presented by Impact North Shore (formerly North Shore Multicultural Society), this virtual workshop covers topics including graduation requirements, required vs. elective courses, provincial exams, and the importance of extracurricular activities. The workshop is open to newcomers and immigrant families. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

NVSD Chess Championship - February 4

After a one-year hiatus due to COVID-19, the NVSD Chess Championship returns on Friday, February 4. The tournament will be hosted at Carson Graham Secondary.

Registration is open to all NVSD students, and all skill levels are welcome. There is both an elementary and secondary division for players to enter. While there is no fee to enter, pre-registration is required as there is a maximum number of participants in each division.

COVID-19 health and safety measures will be in effect (click [HERE](#) for details). For more information and to register, 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. Note: the Gallery is closed over the Winter Break (December 23, 25 and 30, 2021 and January 1, 2022).

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. Note: the Gallery is closed over the Winter Break (December 23, 25 and 30, 2021 and January 1, 2022).

Call for Norgate Food Initiatives

If you or someone you know is running a community food program or project in the Norgate neighbourhood and surrounding area, Table Matters would like to invite you to an event to connect and learn together about needs and opportunities. In addition, if your organization is already running a food-related or community-building event, Table Matters would love to hear if they could partner with you. For more information, visit Table Matter's [Neighbourhood Food Collaborative Project](#) or contact Meryn Corkery at meryn.corkery@farmtoschoolbc.ca.

Research Study for Children ages 4 to 9

The Phono Lab in SFU's Linguistics Department is recruiting child participants for a research study that investigates how children learn complex sound patterns in English. Children between the ages of 4 and 9 will connect with the researchers for approximately 30 minutes over Zoom at a time that is convenient for your family. (This study does *not* require an in-person visit.) Children will play a few research "games" with research assistants and will receive stickers and a certificate for participating. For additional information or

to enroll your child, please contact phono@sfu.ca; an informational poster is available [HERE](#).

Registrations

2022/2023 Kindergarten Registration

Registration (priority placement) for children entering kindergarten in September 2022 (children born in 2017) closes today, Friday, December 17, at 4 p.m. 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](#).

Registrations received after December 17 (in the new year) will be placed according to the date the registration was received and space and facilities availability.

New Registration and Transfer Requests for Grades 1 - 12

Priority placement for both new registrations and transfers for Grades 1 - 12 runs from January 17 to March 4 at 4 p.m. Visit the [2022/2023 Registrations and Transfer Requests](#) page for detailed information.

North Vancouver Online Learning (NVOL) - Registration open

NVOL provides students with rigorous, engaging, and interactive learning experiences. Students can choose to engage in their NVOL courses entirely remotely online or in a blended model of online and in-person interactions at our NVOL Centre. In addition, students can choose from a full suite of [courses](#) from grades 8 through 12 in both English and French.

The French Immersion Online Course offerings allow students the opportunity to meet the requirements of their Diplôme de fin d'études secondaires en Colombie-Britannique online through L' École Virtuelle de Vancouver nord. Please see below for a complete list of our French Immersion course offerings.

Grade 10:

- Education au choix de carrière et de vie 10
- Français langue seconde - Immersion 10
- Sciences naturelles 10

Grade 11

- Explorations en sciences humaines et sociales 11
- Médias et communication numérique 11

Grade 12

- Français langue seconde - Immersion 12

Online registration for NVOL is open; click [HERE](#) for more information.

Artists for Kids' After School Art – Registration open

Taught by art specialist teachers and assisted by secondary art students, AFK's After School Art classes provide students the opportunity to further their artistic ability and foster positive attitudes towards the visual arts. Registration for winter 2021 classes (virtual and in-person options available) is now open. Visit the [Artists for Kids](#) website for more information and to register.

Elementary Band and Strings Program - Registration begins January 10

Elementary Band and Strings is a unique instrumental music program that complements the Ministry of Education's Arts Education curriculum and provides school-based instrumental instruction to students in Grades 5 – 7 for Band and Grades 4 – 7 for Strings.

Registration for the 2022/2023 school year runs from January 10 – March 4, 2022. While there is a Late Registration enrolment period, this is subject to program availability and class size at your child's school site, and is dependent on sufficient registrations received by March 4. More information, including program fees, is available [HERE](#).

Academies - Applications Accepted Starting January 19

Our highly specialized academies are designed to enhance the overall student experience by providing learning environments that concentrate on a focal skill set. Students in Grades 8 to 12 work towards graduation while accelerating their knowledge and skill development in an area of interest that can form a foundation for successful post-graduation pursuits.

The following Academies will be offered during the 2022/2023 school year*. Click on each program link to learn more about each academy:

[AFK Studio Art](#) | [Basketball](#) | [Dance](#) | [Digital Media](#) | [Digital Media Lite](#) | [Field Hockey](#) | [Hockey Skills](#) | [Lacrosse](#) | [Robotics](#) | [Soccer](#) | [Volleyball](#)

**New for 2022/2023 will be a Rowing Academy. More details will be available early in the new year.*

[Applications](#) will be accepted between January 19 to February 21, 2022.

Note: There are supplemental application requirements for the AFK Studio Art Academy, Digital Media Academy, Digital Media Academy Lite, and Hockey Skills Academy. Please check individual academy web pages for more information about the supplemental application requirements.

IB Diploma Programme - Upcoming Key Dates

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (DP) is an internationally recognized, rigorous university preparatory two-year program for students in Grades 11 and 12 that leads to a qualification that is widely recognized by the world's leading universities. It is offered at Carson Graham Secondary.

Key Dates in 2022:

- **February 15: DP information session** (virtual) for parents/guardians and prospective students. The meeting link will be posted on the [Diploma Programme](#) web page in January.
- **February 16-17: "DP for a Day"** for prospective students to explore the program firsthand. They will meet IB coordinators, current cohort and

DP teachers. Registration is open to all grade 10 students in North Vancouver and abroad. Please register via email to [Cora Pross](#).

- **February 18: Application deadline.** Students will submit a comprehensive application package, along with their grade 10 report card. Please click here for additional [application information](#).

Click [HERE](#) for more information about the program.

Grade 4 & 5 Snowpass Information

The Canadian Ski Council, along with many ski areas across Canada, are eager to welcome students in grades 4 and 5 back to the slopes for the 2021/22 season and offer families an affordable way to do so. For \$29 plus applicable taxes, students currently enrolled in grades four or five can ski or snowboard twice at participating ski areas. For more information and to apply, click [HERE](#).

Homestay Families Needed

Each year, the North Vancouver School District welcomes students from around the world to live and study in our vibrant community. We strive to place secondary school international students with families who live close to school to support each student's integration into the school and wider community.

There are secondary school international students in need of a homestay placement for the school term beginning February 2022. If you are interested in hosting an international student, please reach out to our International Education program office at international@sd44.ca. More information about the homestay program is available [HERE](#).