

Friday, January 22, 2021

### Hello Argyle Families,

We have had a whirlwind first three weeks in our new school. The new Argyle continues to be finished as we inhabit the hallways. Each day different aspects of the school and grounds are being finished and we appreciate the patience and the flexibility of our staff and students alike as our site continues to be built. We have started to settle into our new spaces and are adapting and changing our practices as we become more familiar with our site and how we can best learn and grow within it. You will still see many trades on site and construction happening both in the school and on the grounds before and after school hours to put the finishing touches in place.

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Below you will find information items on:

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- 4. Next Week's Schedule & Quarter 3 Start-up
- 5. Drop-off & Pick-up at the new Argyle
- 6. Yearbooks Jan. 31 order deadline!
- 7. DMA Virtual Expo

Warm regards,

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# 1. Argyle Parent VIRTUAL Information Nights - Course Programming & Post-Secondary Information

It's that time of year again when we begin programming for next year. Counsellors will be visiting students in February and course request forms are due on February 19<sup>th</sup>. There are several upcoming virtual parent nights where counsellors and administrators will review course programming, graduation requirements, and post-secondary information. These sessions will be recorded and posted if you are unable to make it to the live virtual event. There will be links provided on the homepage of the Argyle School website on the day of the event. Please click and join us!

### Parents/guardians of current Grade 10 & 11's:

Post-Secondary Information Night (virtual) - Thursday, January 28th 7:00 pm

Gr. 10 & 11 Course Programming - Wednesday, February 3rd 6:30pm

Parents/guardians of current Grade 8 & 9's - Wednesday, February 3rd 7:00pm

Parents/guardians of current Grade 7's – Monday, February 8th 7:00pm \*Grade 7 parents will receive a letter directly from their elementary school regarding 7/8 transition information, and the letter will be posted on our Argyle Website soon.

~Links for all virtual live meetings will be posted on our website the day of the event ~

# 2. New Registration & Transfer Requests for 2021-22

Priority placement for both new registrations and transfers for Grades 1 through 12 for the 2021/2022 school year runs from January 18th to March 5th at 4:00 p.m. Visit the 2020-21 Registrations and Transfer Requests page for detailed information.

Note: Grade 7 students in the Argyle Family of Schools (see below) do not need to register to attend Argyle. Grade 7 families in the Argyle Family of Schools (FOS) will receive information directly from Argyle very soon.

#### **English Program** French Immersion Program

Boundary Late FI

Lynn Valley Larson FI
Ross Road Ross Road FI

Upper Lynn

Students changing from FI to English who are out-of-catchment and wishing to attend Argyle must register for priority placement at the Education Services Centre (appointment required – click link above).



## 3. NVSD Academies for 2021-2022

Information on District Academies can be found here:

https://www.sd44.ca/ProgramsServices/Academies/Pages/default.aspx

There are many upcoming virtual information sessions that can be found on the linked page above. Applications are being accepted from January 18th to February 21st.

Argyle hosts three academies:

- Basketball Academy (competitive stream)
- Digital Media Lite (Gr. 9 & 10)
- Digital Media Academy (Gr. 11 & 12)

Academies within the North Vancouver School District hosted at other sites include:

- Artist for Kids
- Basketball
- Dance
- Field Hockey
- Hockey Skills
- Lacrosse
- Robotics
- Soccer
- Volleyball

Should you have any questions, please contact <u>academies@sd44.ca</u>.

## 4. Next Week's Schedule

Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup> – regular class schedule

• Grade 11 Students with Period 3 & 4 study blocks, Peak Performance blocks, Leanring Services blocks are scheduled to write the Numeracy 10 Assessment today in the Library. Please refer to the schedule on our Argyle website homepage for specific times.

Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> - regular class schedule

• Mr. Liu's Pre-Calculus 11 Group B class will write the Numeracy 10 Assessment from 9-11am in the Library

Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup> – regular class schedule.

• Staff Collaboration from 8:30am to 9:30am – staff will **not** be available to meet or work with students during this time. Students in the building from 8:30-9:30 will be



restricted to the multi-purpose space, and the two flex spaces upstairs on either side of the bridge.

• Mr. Liu's Pre-Calculus 11 Group A class will write the Numeracy 10 Assessment from 9-11am in the Library

Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup> – regular class schedule. Last day of Quarter 2 classes.

Friday, January 29th

- Review, completion, enrichment. No scheduled classes.
- Students must make an appointment with their teacher(s) if they are coming to the school.
- The following Period 3 Grade 11 classes will be writing the Numeracy 10 Provincial Assessment from 9-11am on Friday, January 29th. Please arrive by 8:45am.
  - English 11 Ms. Bell Room 208
  - o English 11 Ms. Lawson Room 137
  - Pre-Calculus 11 Mr. Pisica Room 134/135
  - AP Physics 11 Mr. Johnson Library

## **Quarter 3 Start-up**

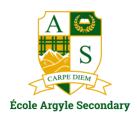
Monday, February 1st

- First day of **Quarter 3** classes (Periods 5 & 6).
- Students should login in to their MyEd account to check room numbers.
- Grade 8 classes are all face to face.
- Grade 9 to 12's Monday AM Class is face to face, Monday PM class is online

# 5. Drop-off / Pick-up at the new Argyle School Site

We have surveyed staff to determine parking needs in our parking lot. In the future, Argyle will have additional parking surrounding our new field. In the meantime, the main parking lot will continue to be finished by our contractors. The final phase of the parking lot will include the painting/signs for a drop off zone, and student parking along the top of our lot bordering Frederick. Currently we only have 11 spots for student use. If the spots are all in use along the top of our lot, students must park on the street. Please respect our neighbours by obeying all signage and not blocking driveways.

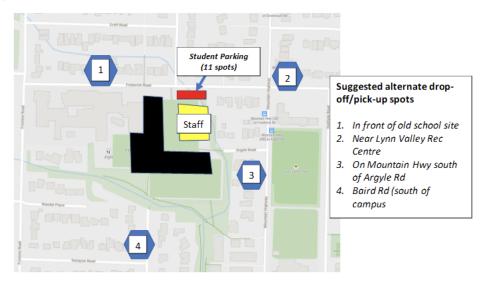
In order to keep entrances available to emergency, service and construction vehicles we request that parents, during high traffic times from 8:45am - 10am and 2:30pm - 3:30pm, continue to use alternate drop-off/pickup spots. Below is a map with alternate drop-off / pick-up solutions.



#### Please note:

- Cars can only access the school site from Frederick Rd but can exit via both Argyle Rd and Frederick Road
- There is absolutely no stopping directly in front of the main entrance at any time or in the designated bus zone.
- We are determining how many spots to allocate to student parking. For now, there are 11 spaces available for students in the spots directly adjacent to Frederick (see map). All other spots are staff only spots.

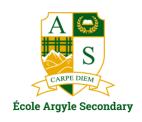
Please remind students to use cross walks and to enter the school via entrances nearest to their classrooms.



# 6. <u>Yearbooks</u> - January 31st Order Deadline

Next week, the student portraits for the 2020-21 Argyle Yearbook will be available for students to view in windows of the main office and nearby rooms. Due to some technical difficulties, we did not have the photos up this week. If a student's photo is missing this is because their <u>Personal Information Consent Form</u> has not been completed. To remedy this, students can speak to office staff. The most common reason is because the Personal Informed Consent Form has not been completed through School Cash Online – this was one of the September start-up forms. An updated portrait section will be displayed the following week, including the students who have since submitted their form. <u>If a student's Personal Information Consent Form is not submitted their picture will **not** be included in the yearbook.</u>

This is also an opportunity for students to ensure that their name is spelled correctly (or to address any other issues with the name as written), and that the preferred photo or retake is used. If there



are any issues with the above, students can email <u>argyle.yb@sd44.ca</u> stating what they would like resolved or visit Mr. Altrogge in room 137 between 9:00-9:30AM on any school day.

Please note that <u>the Yearbook will only be available for purchase until January 31<sup>st</sup>.</u> If you want to receive a yearbook, it must be paid for before this date. Purchases can be made online on your student's School Cash Online account (<u>SchoolCashOnline.com</u>: <u>Welcome</u>).

7. The DMA presents: Digital Media Youth Expo VIRTUAL EVENT



# Saturday, January 30th, 11:30am till 4pm

#### This is a FREE COMMUNITY EVENT!

We are excited to invite you to our upcoming Digital Media Youth Expo 2021 offering a VIRTUAL learning experience for those interested in all things DIGITAL MEDIA!

The Digital Media Youth Expo is hosted by the North Vancouver School District's <u>Digital Media Academy</u> (DMA). The Expo is a place to learn about the many educational and employment opportunities available in the Digital Media Industry. The Digital Media Youth Expo is a where students, parents, teachers and the community can meet VIRTUALLY with representatives from many Lower Mainland Post-Secondary Schools, local and global organizations, industry experts and studios involved in all aspects of digital media. Attending are representatives in Visual Effects, Animation, Film, Sound, Photography, Web Design, Game Design along with a host of other realms. DMA students will be available VIRTUALLY not only to answer questions about the DMA and the program offerings but to showcase what they are working on, learning about and inspired by!

Please visit our official EXPO website and see the attached poster. http://digitalmediayouthexpo.ca/