

Friday, November 24th, 2023

Hello Argyle Families,

We hope this newsletter finds you well. As we embark on another exciting term, we want to thank you for your ongoing support and partnership in your student's education.

As we reach the midpoint of the semester, we encourage you to have a conversation with your student(s) about goals and the strategies they plan to use to make progress on their goals in the second half of the semester. A constructive starting point could involve having your student revisit the goal they created earlier this month, which they sent to themselves via Teams. This dialogue fosters a supportive environment for their continued growth and success.

It is also an ideal time for students to replenish their school supplies and tidy up their binders. This simple step not only ensures organizational efficiency but also empowers students to present their best work as they continue their high school journey. Thanks again for your support!

In today's newsletter, you will find information on:

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- 6. Digital Media Youth Expo
- 7. Argyle Drama Winter Festival
- 8. Argyle Senior Music Winter Concert
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- 10. Fundraisers

Warm regards,

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1. Upcoming Dates

Fri. Dec. 1 st	Last day of grade 8 rotation 2 for electives
Mon. Dec. 4 th	District professional development day - classes NOT in session
	(curriculum implementation day)
Tues. Dec. 5 th	First day of grade 8 rotation 3 for electives
Sat. Dec. 9 th	Digital Media Youth Expo (see below for more info); 12:00pm
	to 3:00pm at Argyle, free event
Tues. Dec. 12 th	Argyle Senior Music Winter Concert – at St. Andrew's-Wesley
	United Church in Vancouver
Wed. Dec. 13 th to	Argyle Drama Winter Festival – at Argyle
Fri. Dec. 15 th	
Fri. Dec. 22	Last day before winter break
	Winter breakfast – ticket info to come.
	Early dismissal

2. Reminders

Semester 1 Learning Update	 The first learning update (report card) of the year was published to the MyEd portal on Monday, Nov. 20th. Please log on and save your student's update. It is found on the right side of the page.
School start time	 Flex time is from 8:31am to 9:10am. The first class BEGINS at 9:10am. Thank you for your support in helping your student be on time!

3. Winter Weather

Please ensure your student has appropriate clothing (e.g.: warm, reflective, waterproof) and footwear for winter conditions and allow extra time to get to school. Along with the darker days comes reduced visibility in the parking lot and surrounding streets. Please slow down and take extra caution so everyone stays safe.

All NVSD schools will remain OPEN, if at all possible during winter weather, including snowfalls. Any district-wide closure will be decided by 6:30 a.m. and announced through the media, placed on the school district website and schools' websites, shared with parents/guardians via SchoolMessenger (email and/or text) and emailed to staff. For more information, please visit the Severe Weather Information web page.



4. Grad Updates

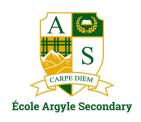
- Grad photo order deadline 9:00pm, December 16th INFO on how to order
- Argyle grad 2024 wear Order by Friday, December 1st.
 - o <u>Hoodie</u>
 - o T-shirt
 - Sweatpants
 - The price of the Grad Wear products has been adjusted as part of the fee will go to paying our supplier and part of the fee will be used to provide a bursary for Grad Banquet tickets at the end of the year.
- Explore CAPU Open House Saturday, Nov. 25th from 11:00am to 2:00pm.

5. Argyle Yearbook

The Argyle yearbook class creates a full-colour hardcover yearbook capturing moments from the school year. It includes student & staff photos, clubs, athletics, student life pictures, artwork and more. Last year's book was over 180 pages!

The deadline to order a yearbook is February 1st, 2024. To order, log in to School Cash Online and select the yearbook fee to pay. We do not order extra yearbooks so make sure to order yours by February 1st. Students receive the yearbook at the end of June. The cost is \$50.00.

This makes a great gift!



6. Digital Media Youth Expo

Join the Digital Media Academy on Saturday, December 9th at Argyle to meet representatives from post-secondary institutions, local and global organizations, industry experts and studios involved in all aspects of digital media. DMA students will be in attendance to answer industry, education and career-related questions.

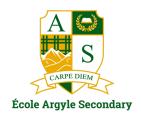


7. Argyle Drama Winter Festival

The Argyle Drama Winter Festival presents *The Brew Box: A Caffeinated Musical Cabaret Comedy* December 13th, 14th, and 15th. Tickets go on sale next week - the link will be posted on the Argyle website next week.

8. Argyle Senior Winter Music Concert

- Tuesday, December 12th, 7:30pm
- St. Andrew's-Wesley United Church (1022 Nelson St, Vancouver)
- The Senior Concert Band, Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, Strings, and the Argyle Alumni
 Choir will entertain and engage you in a special night of seasonal music. There will be
 carol sing-alongs in the audience.
- Admission: suggested donation \$10.00-\$20.00 at the door.



9. Student Opportunities

a) SHAD 2024

<u>SHAD Canada</u> is a month-long summer STEAM and entrepreneurship program for grade 10 and grade 11 students that opens doors to post-secondary pathways. Applications close on December 1st. SHAD also offers entrance scholarships including <u>10 Entrance Scholarships for Indigenous Students</u> and <u>10 Entrance Scholarships for Black Students</u> funded by donors.

b) NVSD Chess Championship

- Friday, February 16th (pro-d day)
- 9:00am to 3:00pm at the Education Services Centre
- 3 divisions: Secondary, Intermediate, Primary
- See attachment for further details.
- Registration is now open: <u>Home North</u>
 <u>Vancouver School District Chess Championship</u>
 (sd44.ca)



10. Fundraisers

a) Argyle Cheer - Neufeld Farms Fundraiser

Stock up on fabulous food for the holiday season from local company **Neufeld Farms**, all while supporting Argyle Cheer! Enjoy an amazing selection of top-quality food for entertaining and every day, incredible appetizers, quality meats, easy meals, desserts, breakfast foods etc.

See link below for easy online ordering:

https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/2023-argyle-secondary-cheer-5ab08ee51e/ref/em

Order Deadline: November 27th end of day

Order Pick up: December 6th at 6:00pm at Argyle. If you can't pick up, we can deliver to you.



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











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b) Argyle PAC Purdys Christmas Fundraiser

PAC order deadline: November 27th

Pick up: Monday, December 11th, 4:00pm-5:30pm at Argyle.

You can shop for favourite Christmas Purdys chocolate treats AND support the Argyle Secondary Parent Advisory Council (PAC).

Support Argyle PAC: 25% of your purchase will go to helping enrich the educational experience at Argyle. We use the money raised to support PAC scholarships, staff lunch appreciation in June and other enrichment opportunities.

Order to support Argyle PAC > https://fundraising.purdys.com/1048739-110694
Enter email address and JOIN campaign.

More info: https://argylepac.weebly.com/purdys-chocolate.html

