

Wednesday, February 8th, 2023

Dear Carson Graham Community,

We are thrilled to let you know that Carson Graham hosted its first Black History Month Assembly this past Monday. Led by Teacher Chanel Stanley and Behaviour Support Worker Valerie Jacober, the event was MC'd by students and included the participation of ARC (Ant-Racism Coalition) Vancouver and DJ Osho (Afro-Indigenous female Hip Hop and R&B DJ). Additionally, there were some displays in the Agora and in the main hallway display cases. The North Shore News covered this important educational event and their story is available here.

Please see below for some other important information:

2023-2024 Course Programming

Planning for the 2023–2024 school year is well underway. We have our last course programming evening for families entering grades 11 & 12 on Thursday, February 9th @ 6:30pm in the Agora.

Student course request sheets were distributed in classes in early February, and are also available from the counselling office. Like last year, students will be entering course request into the MyEducationBC student portal from home. Access to the MyEd student portal course request process will be open from Friday, February 10th to Tuesday, February 21st. Support documents and tutorial videos will be available to assist students in entering their course requests, and there will be live support sessions during tutorial time.

A <u>course programming guide</u> with detailed descriptions of Carson Graham's 2023-2024 course offerings has been published on our school website. We encourage families to review the information in the programming guide for course descriptions. Students can also schedule a meeting with their grade counsellor if they have any questions or concerns about course programming.

Presentation on Youth & Vaping - Information, Considerations & Impacts

Foundry North Shore – Vancouver Coastal Health, invites families* and their children to a community conversation on youth and vaping. This in-person event will take place on Thursday, February 9 (7 to 9 p.m.) at Handsworth Secondary (1033 Handsworth Road, North Vancouver). Led by Dr. Milan Khara and Lindsay MacDonald, both of whom have extensive knowledge on this subject matter, the session will help you feel more empowered and informed when having conversations with your children. Topics covered will include youth vaping rates, products, industry influence, health impacts, legislation, and local supports for youth. Please RSVP using Eventbrite.

*This event is recommended for families of students in Grades 6 and up. It is targeted to parents/caregivers, but youth are welcome (please register them for the event too)

Trades Programs Information Night – February 15

Secondary students and their parents/guardians are invited to learn about various opportunities available to students in Grades 10-12. Representatives from SkilledTradesBC (formerly Industry Training Authority), trades employers in North Vancouver and the district career program educators, will be in attendance. The event will take place on Wednesday, February 15, 6:30 to 8 p.m., at the Education Services Centre (2121 Lonsdale Avenue). Sign up to attend here.





Yearbooks

There are a LIMITED number of yearbooks still available for purchase through SchoolCashOnline. Don't miss out on this keepsake!

PIC Forms

At the beginning of the year, through the <u>School Cash Online website</u>, you should have completed a series of digital forms. This included the Personal Information Consent (PIC) for School District Publications. This form **must be completed for inclusion in the Yearbook**.

You can see if the form was completed by reviewing the History (upper right-hand corner on the School Cash Online site) or by contacting the Main Office at 604.903.3555.

School Fees Reminder

Thank you to everyone who has cleared their child's account on SchoolCashOnline. If you have not already done so, please log on to SchoolCashOnline now and clear up any outstanding fees as soon as possible. Second semester elective course fees will show on Monday, February 13th.

School fees must be cleared prior to picking up yearbooks at the end of June. Any monetary queries can be directed to our Administrative Assistant, <u>Jennifer Harman</u>.

Upcoming Events

February 8 - Grad Winter Formal @ the ESC @7:00pm

February 9 - Grade 10/11 Programming Night

February 10 - Course Selection Online MyEdBC Entry Starts

February 11 - NVSD Jazz Festival

February 14 - Valentine's Day ♡

February 17 - DP Applications Due, District Pro-D Day (classes not in session)

February 20 - Family Day (schools closed)

February 21 - Course Request Sheets Due

February 22 - Pink Shirt Day

February 27 - 28 - NVSD Choral Festival

March 2 - Celebration of IB

March 3 - Winter Report Cards Published

March 10 - Last Day of Classes before Spring Break

March 27 - Classes Resume after Spring Break

Sincerely,

Suzette Dohm Principal