



Richmond Secondary News

Home of the Colts!

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NOTICE OF LATE RETURN

Remember, if your son or daughter will be returning to school after Tuesday, September 7, 2010 you must complete a Notice of Late Return Form and leave it on file in our school office before the end of June. **Please see the Letter to Parents on the district website.** The form is available in the school office. With the Student Placement Policy, before the end of June we must know the names of students who will be returning in September. If your son or daughter is absent at the beginning of September, and we do not have a Notice of Late Return on file, we must remove them from our school roster, and they will have no guarantee of being able to return to Richmond High.

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Richmond Secondary School PAC wishes parents, staff, administration and students a happy and safe summer. Our first meeting will be announced in the September "Back to School" newsletter which will be mailed in August. In addition, the website will be updated and will contain information about planned fall events. If you would like any further information about the upcoming school year, please contact Suzanne at [sightfoot@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:slightfoot@sd38.bc.ca).

The staff at Richmond Secondary School would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to our PAC Co-Chairperson, Mrs. Suzanne Lightfoot, as well as the PAC executive parents who have done an excellent job looking after the best interests of our parents and students this year.

AWARDS



VALEDICTORY



Our Awards Ceremony will be held on the evening of **Wednesday, June 9, 2010** at the school. Students in Grades 8 –11 are recognized for awards in a number of categories. Academic awards are for students who have been on the Principal's Honour roll for two terms which means they have an average in all their classes of over 86%. Service awards are presented to students who have provided 50 hours or more of service to the school. Athletic awards are awarded to our students who participate in team and individual sports. Subject awards are presented to the top student in each subject area in each grade level. A list of all the award winners will be posted outside the office first week of June. Please ask your son/daughter to check the list. We hope that you will be able to join us if your son/daughter's name(s) appears on the list.

Continuing with a change we implemented last year, all of our Grade 12 Awards will be presented at our Valedictory Ceremony. Valedictory will be held on **Thursday, June 3, 2010** at the Chan Centre. This is the evening when the members of the Graduating Class of 2010 and their families and friends gather to formally celebrate their impending graduation and to give out scholarships and recognition to members of our Grade 12 class.

REPORT CARD DISTRIBUTION – CHANGE OF DATE

In an effort to provide parents with better access to staff and to make Remedial Summer School registration easier, we will be moving our Report Card distribution to Monday, June 28, 2010 at 11:30 a.m. Please adjust your calendars!



Looking for a student's Personal Education Number (PEN)? You can find it in the upper left corner of the student's report card.

LOST AND FOUND

Over the year we have a great number of items turned in to our Lost and Found in the office that have never been claimed. At the end of the school year, we will place the items on tables in the main hall for students to claim their lost property. Any unclaimed items will then be sent to charity. If a student has lost an item of clothing, a pencil case, glasses etc. they should check with the secretary in the office for permission to check the Lost and Found.



COLT NOTES



To **Farah Kassam** for participating as the Richmond Secondary School representative to the **Junior Board** meeting. Farah should be commended for her insightful contributions to the evening's discussions.



Congratulations to all RHS track and field athletes who have competed in the three Richmond District Eliminations Meets, the Richmond District Final Meet, the Zones and the Vancouver and Districts. Our top senior athletes who qualified for the Lower Mainland Zone Meet were (Richmond/Burnaby/New Westminster) included **Daniel Ribí** (3000m), **Katrina Furugori** (Discus), **Jacky Chan** (Long Jump and High Jump), **Angie Hui** (Long Jump) and **Kelly Wang** (800m and 1500m). **Daniel Ribí** and **Katrina Furugori** will now be representing RSS at this year's BC Track and Field Provincial Championships at Swangard Stadium in Burnaby on June 4th and 5th. Best of luck also goes out to **Catherine Wang**, **Michelle Yeung** and **Anthony Phan** who will be competing at next week's Vancouver and District Championships in Richmond.

It's been a good Spring Season for Richmond athletics. The **Juvenile Boys Volleyball** team went undefeated in league play and captured the Richmond Secondary Schools Athletic Association Championship. The **Tennis** team is playing for the Richmond Cup and looking to advance to the Provincial tournament. As well, the **Senior Ultimate** team is in first place heading into the playoffs.

Some highlights of the year include four teams winning Richmond Secondary Schools Athletic Association Championships: the **Senior Boys** and **Senior Girls Table Tennis** teams, the **Senior Badminton** team and the **Juvenile Boys Volleyball** team. Two more league championships are possibilities with our **Senior Tennis** team and **Senior Ultimate** team in strong contention.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS



CAREER CENTER WEBSITE REMINDER.....PLEASE LOG ON TO THE CAREER WEBSITE ON A WEEKLY BASIS FOR UPDATES ON POST SECONDARY, CAREER AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION:

<http://public.sd38.bc.ca/~ccnews/>

Government Student Loans on-line application opens **June 1, 2010**. Apply at: www.StudentAidBC.ca. Learn more about student loans, grants, scholarships and the cost of post secondary education at: www.canlearn.ca

The Career Center at Richmond Secondary is open Mon. 8-3:30, Wed. 8-3:30 and Fri. mornings 8-11:30 to answer any questions or provide assistance regarding post secondary entry.



DRY AFTER GRAD PARTY ! Tropical Theme

Richmond High School Gym
June 25/26 12:30am-4:30am

We need volunteers –

Decorating & Set-up - June 25 at 7:00pm – midnight (or portion of time)

Clean-up – June 26 4:30am – 6:00am

Chaperone & helping with food, entertainment, etc. – midnight – 4:30am. June 25/26

We would especially like to invite our current **GRADE 11** parents to volunteer. Other Richmond schools have started this successful tradition of the Grade 11 parents chaperoning the current graduating class.

Thanks to everyone who has supported our fundraising efforts so far! It's not too late to make a tax-deductible donation, or donate a prize (use your points or air miles)

Direct all enquiries to –

Anne Greig (parent volunteer)

Richmond High Dry After Grad Committee Chair

agreig@shaw.ca subject: Dry After Grad



FRANCE STUDY TOUR

Just a reminder to all participants going to France documentation to Ms. MacDicken-Jones by early classes end in June, to confirm all trip details.

Ms. Ho will not be able to accompany us.

Friday, July 9th to Thursday, July 22nd. If any arrangements, they must contact Ms. MacDicken-Mille merci!



this summer: please be sure to have submitted all

June. We shall have a final reminder meeting before Please note also that due to unforeseen circumstances, Ms. Swanson will be taking her place. Program Dates: students are planning to make alternate flight Jones as soon as possible to confirm these arrangements.



SECONDARY SCHOOL APPRENTICESHIP

Career Programs Office - School District No. 38 (Richmond)

Are you between the ages of 15-19 and working in an area that is apprenticeshipable?

(e.g. cook, florist, painter, meat cutter, carpenter, hairstylist, roofer, graphic arts and MANY, MANY more!)

If you answered “YES” to this and your employer is certified in their trade area you might have the opportunity to:

- ◆ Earn up to 16 **EXTRA** high school **credits** after 480 hours of work
- ◆ Begin a formal **partnership** (contract) with the Industry Training Authority (ITA)
- ◆ Be eligible for a \$1000 **scholarship** (by completing grade 12 with a 67% average, completing the 16 credits of SSA paid work and continuing to work for a minimum of 5 months after graduating)
- ◆ Get a “**head start**” on an apprenticeshipable career!



For more information about SSA please visit

www.itabc.ca to view over 100 eligible trade areas!!

Have questions?? Contact your high school counsellor and/or:

Ken Caig – 604-668-6060 (Career Programs). Alternate Contacts are Terri Lockhart (604-718-4014), DiAnne Simonson (604-668-6178) and Nancy Toth (604-668-6163).

DEADLINE TO REGISTER for 2010-2011

Friday, September 27th, 2010

(Students are encouraged to indicate their intent to register by the end of June 2010)

OUR SCHOOL GOALS

Goal No. 1: **Social Responsibility**

To further develop a school community where students have a voice, feel a sense of belonging, are involved as participants and leaders; have a commitment to the community at large and where they are openly looking after, being responsible for and making positive connections with other students and staff.

Goal No. 2: **Literacy Goal**

To improve reading comprehension in the content areas at the grade 8 level and to continue to provide support to teachers and students in the grade 9 year.

2010/2011 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

As required, the following information is provided to the community regarding next year's Professional Development Days. Classes will not be in session on the following days as a result of Professional Development activities:

- Friday, September 24, 2010
- Friday, October 22, 2010
- Friday, November 26, 2010
- Friday, February 11, 2011
- Friday, April 15, 2011
- Friday, May 20, 2010

2010/2011 REPORT CARD DATES

- Thursday, December 2, 2010
- Thursday, March 10, 2011
- Tuesday, June 28, 2011

2010/2011 ALTERNATE HOURS/LATE START DATES

- Monday, September 27, 2010
- Tuesday, September 28, 2010
- Monday, October 25, 2010
- Monday November 29, 2010
- Monday, January 31, 1011
- Monday, February 14, 2011
- Thursday, April 14, 2010
- Tuesday, May 31, 2010

2010/2011 PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE DATES

- Term 1 – Wednesday, December 8, 2010 and Thursday, December 9, 2010
- Term 2 – Wednesday, March 16, 2011 and Thursday, March 17, 2011

Important Dates to Remember

<i>June 3</i>	<i>Valedictory Ceremony at 7:00 p.m. - Chan Centre – UBC</i>
<i>June 9</i>	<i>Awards Night at 7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>June 16</i>	<i>Last Day of Classes</i>
<i>June 16 – 18</i>	<i>School Based Confirmatory Exams</i>
<i>June 21 – 29</i>	<i>Provincial Exams</i>
<i>June 25</i>	<i>Graduation Dinner and Dance</i>
<i>June 25/26</i>	<i>Dry After Grad</i>
<i>June 28</i>	<i>Final Report Card Distributed 11:30 a.m. – Note Change of Date!!</i>



Important Contacts

Early Warning:	24-hour message	(604) 247-COLT (2658)
PAC Chairperson:	Suzanne Lightfoot	e-mail: slightfoot@sd38.bc.ca
Dry Grad Chairperson:	Anne Greig	e-mail: agreig@shaw.ca subject: Dry After Grad
School Trustee:	Linda McPhail	604-277-6062

*Have you made any changes to your address, home phone number, work phone number or emergency contact number? **If so, please contact Mrs. Meloche in the office and she will make note of the changes.***

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