



Coyote Connections

WEEK OF: Sept 16 – 20

Monday – Sept 16 A/B	- School breakfast program & Brown Bag Lunch program begins today *Breakfast 8:30–9 am for ALL students – come to the Coyote Den - Grad Logo submissions close @ 11:59 PM
Tuesday – Sept 17 C/D	Grad Parent/Guardian Committee (PROM) Mtg. @ 7 PM in Library
Wednesday – Sept 18 A/B	- Post-Secondary Institute Fair @ 9–10:30 AM (Small Gym) - Group #1 – Oyama Retreat @ 9:15 AM – 2:15 PM (TBD)
Thursday – Sept 19 C/D	- Grad Retreat Day President Speeches 9 AM in theatre (voting begins) - Group #2 – Oyama Retreat @ 9:15 AM – 2:15 PM
Friday – Sept 20 A/B	- Grad Breakfast (8:15–9 AM in courtyard) & Grad President Announcement - Group #3 – Oyama Retreat @ 9:15 AM – 2:15 PM - Okanagan College Powwow - Pizza Friday – \$2/slice 

Sept 23 – PAC Meeting @ 6:30 PM in the Library

Sept 26 – Terry Fox Walk/Run

Sept 27 – **GESS Orange Shirt Day**

Sept 30 – **No Classes** – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Oct 11 – **No Classes** – Administrative Implementation Day

Oct 14 – **No Classes** – Thanksgiving Day

Oct 17 – Early Dismissal – 1:30 pm

Parent / Teacher Conferences @ 5 – 7 pm

Oct 21 – PAC Meeting @ 6:30 PM in the Library

LIFE THREATENING

Medical Alert Students:

Please ensure your parents have filled out the proper forms available on the GESS website.



GESS Garden Club

WELL DONE – you designed a garden ...
planted, weeded and worked the ground –
check out the fruits of your labour!
If any students are interested in joining the
Garden Club, please meet in **Rm. 135** –
Mondays (during lunch) and
Thursdays (after school).



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GRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS



1. OYAMA GRAD RETREAT:

Our Oyama Zipline Adventure Park Retreat is **NEXT WEEK** on September 18, 19, and 20. Grads may attend ONE of these days. However, they must hand in all necessary information first.

First, however, grads must fill out the Date Selection Google Form (on the 'CLP GRAD 2025' Google Classroom page – due **TODAY**), complete and return the Field Trip Form **AND** the Liability Waiver (by no later than September 16), and have a parent or guardian hear the mandatory safety talk. Without **all four** components, grads will be unable to attend this event.

A **maximum of 70 students** may attend **per day**. Please also note that if fewer than 140 grads express interest in attending, the Wednesday, September 18 offering will be eliminated.

2. PARENT/GUARDIAN VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE MTG. – SEPT. 17:

The Parent/Guardian will be holding their first meeting of the year next week on **Tuesday, September 17 at 7:00 PM** in the GESS Library. If you are interested in being a part of the committee, and are able to attend, you are encouraged to do so. You can also contact the committee directly, and indicate your interest in helping throughout the year, by sending an email to gessgradparents@gmail.com with your name and your preferred email address.

GATEWAY TO TECH

PRESENTED BY SCOTIABANK

Are you interested in increasing your technology skills? Do you want to know more about career opportunities in technology and coding? This program will provide you with skills and knowledge related to the growing technology sector.

- Free training offered by Okanagan College and SD23.
- Attend classes two evenings per week at Okanagan College
- Learn skills related to a variety of careers in the Information Technology Sector
- Taught by industry professionals
- Gain hands-on skills directly related to IT Essentials and Mobile Coding

PROGRAM DETAILS

Tuesday and Thursday
5:00pm – 8:30pm

Course runs February 2025 to June 2025

FREE for grade 9 – 12 students interested in technology and coding.

Students will receive a four credit Grade 12 IT course.



CONTINUING STUDIES

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New Members Needed to Join...



DISTRICT STUDENT COUNCIL



*Meet New People, Promote Student Voice,
Make an Impact*

**In need of ONE Grade 10 and
ONE Grade 11 student from GES**

Accepting applications until Sept 24

EMAIL ANY QUESTIONS TO DSC@SD23.BC.CA

**FILL OUT THIS
GOOGLE FORM
TO APPLY!**



Completed applications are due to:

careerlife.programs@sd23.bc.ca by 3:00pm on Friday, Sept 20 2024.

Space is limited!



Work Experience

Earn up to 8 extra transcript credits:

WEX 12 A (4 credits) & 12B (4 credits)
give students the opportunity to participate in,
observe, and learn about the tasks and responsibilities
related to an occupation or career.

There are 2 steps to sign up:

1. Complete an "Intent to complete" (1 page) and hand into Career Centre
2. Complete a "Training Plan" (booklet employer and parents sign) – Hours cannot start to be counted until this document is handed into Career Centre

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