



Coyote Connections

WEEK OF: Sept 22 – 26

Monday – Sept 22 D/C	PAC Meeting at 6:30 pm in the library	ATTENTION Grade 12 Parents If you haven't signed up yet to receive the Prom Parent 2026 information. Please email gesspromparents2026@gmail.com
Tuesday – Sept 23 B/A		
Wednesday – Sept 24 D/C	- Grad Retreat – Group #1 – Oyama Zipline - Terry Fox Fundraiser – “Pie in the face of a teacher” for donations!	
Thursday – Sept 25 B/A	- Grad Presidential Speeches @ 9 am in the theatre - Grad Retreat – Group #2 – Oyama Ziplines Terry Fox Walk/Run	Please remember to return all verification and general field trip forms to the office ASAP!
Friday – Sept 26 D/C	 - Grad Breakfast (8:15–9am) + President Announcement - Grad Retreat – Group #3 – Oyama Ziplines - Pizza \$2/slice	

Sept 29 – GESS **Orange Shirt Day**
 Sept 30 – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – **No classes**
 Oct 8 – Post-Secondary Institute Fair (9–10:30 am) in the small gym
 Oct 10 – Administrative Implementation Day – **No classes**
 Oct 13 – Thanksgiving Day – **No Classes**
 Oct 14 – Photo Retakes (morning only)
 Oct 16 – Early Dismissal @ 1:30 pm
 – Parent Teacher Conferences @ 5–7 pm (in Foyer & Classrooms)
 Oct 20 – PAC Meeting at 6:30 pm in the library
 Oct 22 – Post-Secondary Prep #1 in the theatre 10:30 am / 12:35 pm
 Oct 24 – Professional Development Day – **No Classes**

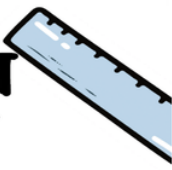


New Members Needed to Join...



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 26th

Email any questions to:
AssistantSuperintendent.Rutland@sd23.bc.ca






“Central Okanagan Public Schools does not insure expenses for student injuries that occur on school grounds or during school activities.

Parents and guardians can voluntarily purchase private accident insurance. [Student Accident Insurance by StudyInsured](#) is a voluntary plan that provides coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses, and critical illness. To apply for the Plan or to find out more, click [HERE](#)”

Wednesday, Sept. 24 @ lunch

“Pie in the face of a teacher”

Terry Fox Fundraiser



Please join us for our annual
GESS Club Fair Gallery Walk
Wednesday, September 24th
during **C2 block**








Buy your GESS Spirit Wear now using [THIS LINK](#), or from the link on the [GESS website](#). Purchases that were made by September 15th will be ready by the end of September

GESS ORANGE SHIRT DAY

Tuesday, September 30 marks both Orange Shirt Day, as well as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Please join us in wearing orange on **Monday, Sept. 29** to commemorate these days, and to honour the survivors of Residential Schools, their families and communities, and the children who never returned home.







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GRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS



LAKE COUNTRY BOTTLE DEPOT FUNDRAISER:

Have refundables? Donate them to the '**CESS GRAD**' account at the Lake Country Bottle Depot. There's **no need to sort** them! Proceeds go towards prom for this year's grad class.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES:

- **Sept 24, 25, 26:** Oyama Adventure Park – Grad Retreat
 - Double-check Google Classroom to make sure you know the day you are assigned to!
- **Sept 25:** Grad President Speech @ 9:00 am in the theatre
 - Voting opens (on Google Classroom) for one day only!
- **Sept 26:** Grad Breakfast → grads arrive at 8:15 am
- **Sept 29:** Voting begins (on Google Classroom) for the grad logo design

Please visit the [grad website](#) for more details on grad events and general grad information.

YLW Junior Ambassador Program

is excited to welcome the first group of
STUDENT VOLUNTEERS for the 2025-2026 school year!

Deadline to Apply: Wednesday, October 8, 2025

Orientation: Saturday, October 18, 2025

Placement Start Date: as soon as training and online course material is completed

Students:

1. Should be prepared to commit to one four-hour shift per weekend for a minimum of four months (no weekday shifts).
2. Must submit the following documents by the deadline:
 - Volunteer Application Form
 - Student Resume
 - Teacher Recommendation page

Please see Mrs. Boisvert for application and teacher recommendation page.

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EXPECT RESPECT &
A SAFE EDUCATION

Information for Parents and Caregivers

Resources to support you and your child



Register for free training

Tips to protect children
and youth online



Have a conversation

Talk with children and
youth about things they
may be experiencing

What kind of information can I find on
[erase.gov.bc.ca](#)?

- **Practical guidance** to help you support your child's safety and well-being
- **Resources and information about:**
 - Diversity and inclusion
 - Mental health and substance use
 - School and online safety
- **Free training sessions** to help you keep your child safe online
- **Videos** explaining erase, the Report It Tool, and safe, caring and inclusive schools
- **Tips** for bringing concerns to your child's school

What is the Report It Tool?

Report It is an **anonymous online tool** for **students** to report anything concerning to their school safety team—whether it happens at school, online, or somewhere else. Find it at [erase.gov.bc.ca](#).

Questions? Reach out to your school to learn more.



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Join Us

NOURISH

**FOR PARENTS WITH
SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN,
FRIDAYS AT 12:30PM**

A Weekly Parent Connection Group.
Raising school-aged kids can be amazing
—and sometimes overwhelming. Nourish
is here to support you.

Join us for a weekly gathering where
parents of school-aged children come
together to share, connect, and grow. This
is a warm, welcoming space for
conversation, support, and practical ideas
for parenting in today's world.
Starting September 12th

To register, please send us
an email

katier@childhoodconnections.ca



Meet other
parents

Have
meaningful
conversation

Receive support
and give support



CESS Vision Statement: Love. Learn. Thrive.