



January 13, 2023

Dear Families and Students,

Starting on Monday next week we are down to our last 9 classes of this semester. It has gone by very fast. Please check in with your student to see if they are all caught up with the learning that needs to be demonstrated so far. Some classes will have a final assessment on January 24-26.

The Cafeteria now has TAP. Students can use their debit or credit cards. I know the newsletter is long this week. Please give it a read and if you have any questions, please reach out to me.

Take care

Lyon Road

Delta Police will be stepping up enforcement of traffic violations on Lyon Road near Seaquam and Cougar Canyon during school hours. There are a number of complains that drivers and parkers are not being safe and not adhering to the traffic laws in school zone. Things that they are going to pay particular attention to are U turns, unsafe driving, parking and speed. I know most of you do a great job following the rules. Please keep that up.

Seaquam Parking lots

A reminder to please not drop off or pick up your student in either of the parking lots between the hours of 8am – 3:30pm. The primary reason for this is student and staff safety. Thank you.

Parent Opportunities

Parents as Education & Career Coaches Workshop

Come join our virtual Parents as Education & Career Coaches (PECC) Workshop to learn how you can help support your student in planning for their future. The information will be especially helpful for families with students in Grades 10-12. Sessions are engaging and informative, and include a Q&A.

Topics

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Registration

- Wednesday, January 18, 2023
- 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
- MS Teams
- [Register here](#), registration is required.
- https://teams.microsoft.com/registration/hYv2MdUvHkCIpL2oXTKUsA,023L0iDNq00Zc8VMR-jypA,J6X-52eg8ketebErLeDcOA,g4jeKQwfpUmfXrM4UOw51g_0Es9xY31kCDAWOhQyz3rA,tD5-pMuxRE-HLkK_079hVg?mode=read&tenantId=31f68b85-2fd5-401e-88a4-bda85d3294b0&skipauthstrap=1
- For more information, contact: Jenny Gehiere, jgehiere@deltaschools.ca

Athletics

Basketball Season is in full swing. The Sr. Girls Basketball are currently ranked 8th in the Province. They are hosting a Tournament the weekend of Jan. 20th & 21st. The Gr. 8 Girls finished 2nd in their Home Tournament on Jan. 6th & 7th. The Jr. Girls are hosting a tournament on Jan. 13th & 14th.

Upcoming Seaquam Home Games Jan. 16-21

Monday	Sr. Girls BBall vs. Panorama Ridge @ 6:00PM Sr. Boys BBall vs. Panorama Ridge @ 7:45PM
Tuesday	Sr. Girls BBall vs. Clayton Heights @ 6:00PM
Wednesday	Gr.9 Boys BBall vs. Delta Secondary @ 3:30PM
Thursday	
Friday	Sr. Girls Basketball Tournament 2:00PM - 7:00PM Seaquam vs Crofton House @ 2:00PM
Saturday	Sr. Girls Basketball Tournament 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

I Days

Reminder that the final day for semester 1 classes will be Thursday January 26th. January 30-31 are scheduled "I-Days". The "I Days" will be for students to work with staff to complete learning or missing or incomplete assessments prior to the end of semester 1. Students are not required to attend school during these three days unless invited by their teachers. Teachers will inform their students closer to the end of the semester regarding their attendance and participation in the "I Days". This time will also allow teachers and staff to prepare for the start of semester 2 starting on February 3rd. We will have a regular bell schedule for the "I Days"

January Provincial Assessments: Provincial Assessments – Literacy

All students prior to graduation as part of the graduation program are required to complete three assessments (Numeracy 10, Literacy 10 & Literacy 12) in addition to the 80 credits (minimum requirement). Mr. Close will be communicating with students and sending information to families

in the coming weeks. All grade 10's have been registered to write the Literacy assessment on January 26. Grade 10's will only be expected to come to their assessment that Day. All grade 10 classes have been cancelled on January 26.

Student Clothing

Seaquam is offering students and families the opportunity to buy some Seaquam swag. The sale is from January 5-22. The office has some sample sizes that students can try out. All orders are done online and we hope to have the items back to students by Spring Break. Check it out.

<https://www.prostockathleticsupply.com/collections/seaquam-secondary-school-online-store>

Delta Homestay families needed

Delta School District International Programs needs more homestay families for international students coming to Delta School District for September 2023. They will arrive from all over the world and have a strong desire to be in Delta.

Hosting a student comes with a reimbursement of \$1100 per month for expenses. Multiple students from different nationalities can be hosted in one home.

They are looking for a family connection and being a part of a family during their stay in Delta. Their study periods range from 3 months to multiple years. If you are interested in hosting, please reach out to homestay@godelta.ca. If you are not able to host but know of a family who can, please send them our way.

PAC meeting

The next PAC meeting will be on Monday, January 23.

Student Opportunity

Applications are open for the Youth Empowered Speakers (YES) Program at First Peoples' Cultural Council. Applications will close on January 16th, 2023.

This program is for BC First Nations youth aged 18-30 and offers:

- Funding for youth to learn their language with a mentor using the Mentor-Apprentice model
- A paid internship for language work in community
- Post-secondary tuition and living expenses for full-time students

Note: youth are eligible regardless of where they live in the province.

Interested youth can apply at <https://fpcc.smartsimple.ca/s/Login.jsp>

The website is <https://fpcc.ca/program/yes/>

If you have questions, please email yes@fpcc.ca

Dream It Be It – Free Career Planning Event Conference

January 21, 2023 – KPU Surrey/Newton Campus – Spruce Atrium
10am – 3pm

For Surrey/Delta girls ages 13 – 18 (grades 8 – 12), who identify as female, transgender and non-binary.

Registration is between 9:00am – 10:00am. Program begins at 10:00am.

You will have the opportunity to:

- Hear and meet inspiring guest speakers
- Meet and interact with professional women in a variety of careers, and trades professions
- Gather valuable resources (volunteer opportunities, education info, community resources, etc.)
- Enjoy FREE lunch and refreshments
- WIN fabulous door prizes
- Receive a Grad Transition Certificate

<https://www.soroptimistwhiterock.ca/events/>

The DELTA TEACHING ASSISTANT CERTIFICATION (DTAC) program:

- Quality instruction and up-to-date curriculum
- Over 20 years of successful operation
- A proven track record with employers
- A manageable part-time schedule
- Among the most affordable tuition fees in B.C.

The Application Deadline for the Fall 2023 program is Monday, MARCH 6, 2023.

Detailed Information: <https://deltalearns.ca/dtac/>

Cafeteria Menu

Jan. 16-20. 23		<h1>Seaquam Café Menu</h1>				
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soup of the day		Cream of Mushroom	Minestrone	Tortellini	Wonton	Beef Chilli
Special #1	Chicken Strips & Fries Honey-Mustard Sauce	Loaded Nachos	Meatball Subs		Baked Penne Rose Sauce	Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza Pockets
Special #2	Beef Lasagna	Sweet & Sour Pork	Chicken & Broccoli	Pork Bahn Mi		Chicken Souvlaki

	House-made Foccacia Bread	Jasmine Rice	Steamed Rice	Sandwich Pickled Vegetables	Greek Orzo Pasta Salad
Special #3	Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup	Asian Noodle Salad Crispy Tofu	Beef Chimmichanga	Curry	Teriyaki Pork Stir-Fry

Grad Information

To Book Grad Photos by Artona, go here - <https://artona.com/schools/SEAQ>. Dates are Feb 16-27

Dry Grad Information

Grad Showcase Update!

Grad Showcase preparations are underway. Mark your calendar! The Showcase will be on Wednesday, March 8 in the theatre.

Dry Grad Tickets **NOW ON SALE**

Please follow the link to our website for further details on how to purchase Tickets to Dry Grad <https://sites.google.com/view/seaquamdrygrad2023/home>

Grade 12 Dry Grad Fundraisers:

FlipGive

Flip Give is a free team funding app. We earn cash back on every purchase we make all year long! Simply purchase gift cards to your favourite stores and use them when you shop.

Join now and you'll get a \$5 bonus the first time you

shop: <https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?joincode=RLRQF2> Or enter this code: RLRQF2

Want to learn more? Check out this 2-minute

video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5vTO_Qg4n80

Return it Bottle Drive

You can drop off empty refundable bottles (including milk jugs) off at any Return It Depot. Just print off our label using #604-591-5800. Labels can be printed at the printing station at the depot.

Prize Donations:

We are looking for prizes for our dry grad event. If you find a good deal on something a teen would like, pick up a second one to donate. Gift cards for coffee, food, stores, movie tickets, gas, book stores, phone cards, and Compass Cards are all great donation ideas.

Or make a Donation - If you want to skip the fundraising options, you can support our Grade 12s by sending an e-transfer donation.

Any amount is gratefully accepted to support the event. Send donations via e-transfer to: seaquamdrygrad2023@gmail.com

More details on all things Dry Grad

<https://sites.google.com/view/seaquamdrygrad2023/home>

Families and students in financial need

We realize that sometimes families struggle financially. The BC Government has created a Student and Family Affordability Fund and will be providing schools funds for this school year only to help students and families with school fees, school supplies, food security, and assorted other things. Please contact your child's counsellor or administrator if your family requires financial support. Discretion is paramount.

Calendar events

Jan 19	Elementary School Concerts - Band and Choir Grads vs Staff - Jeopardy, school topics
Jan 24	Grade 7 Parent Night 6pm
Jan 26	last Day of Semester 1 classes Grade 10's doing Literacy Assessment Choral Celebration Night
Jan 27	Pro D Day
Jan 30, 31	I days
Feb 1	First Day of Semester 2 classes

Sincerely,

Mark Robinson, Principal Ian Close, Vice Principal Vlad Nikic, Vice Principal