



May 19, 2023

Dear Families and Students,

We love to celebrate the successes and volunteerism of the students who attend Seaquam.

- Thursday staff, students and coaches watched Adeep S celebrate his acceptance to the University of Toronto on a Football scholarship. Congrats.
- I had the pleasure to read applications for 4 groups who would like to be Valedictorians for the 2023 Grad class.
- A group of Grade 8 and 9 students are planning a Grade 8 and 9 dance on June 9.
- On Wednesday night Seaquam hosted the District Queer Prom. We had 90+ students attend from all 7 high schools. It was a fabulous night.
- We saw the last nights of the musical Newsies last weekend.
- The school bands will be performing next week at the Seaquam Music Festival.
- The ball hockey team made it to the Provincials – games start on Friday, May 26
- The Football teams are practicing.
- The Track and Field team is a meet this week.
- The student government is gearing up for elections.

There is so much going on. I want to personally thank all the students, staff, and families for all they do to build community and extra-curricular activities. This makes Seaquam the place to be.

We are gearing up for the end of the school year but also planning for next year. Ms. Callander, VP for next year, is actively helping us prepare. Grad events are coming soon and sorry that the start of the newsletter is dominated with that. We will be soon announcing plans for next year that will support Seaquam students and families.

Take care everyone and enjoy the long weekend.

Grad and Dry Grad Information

Valedictorian

I would like to congratulate the 4 groups of Grads who have put their name forward to represent the Seaquam Grad Class of 2023 as their Valedictorian.

The next steps are for the students to give a 1-2 minute speech at lunch on May 25 in the Library. All Grads are welcome to come and watch. Once the speeches have ended each Grad will receive an email, via @deltalearns, that contains a link that will allow you to vote – 1 vote per grad. The voting will end at 1pm on Friday, May 26. We will announce the winner at 2:40 on Friday, May 26.

Please vote for the person or group that you feel will do the best job of representing you. This should not be a popularity contest.

Walk Across the Stage speech:

On the evening of the Grad Commencement, each grad will have their name called and photo displayed during their 15 seconds on stage. In that moment, a staff member will read a short statement about what that student's future plans are or state perhaps, thank you to the people responsible for getting them to this milestone.

We request that each grad reflects on their journey and their next steps and captures that in a short statement to be read. Our expectation is that this statement is respectful and positive and adds to the general celebratory vibe of the evening. Consider connecting with a teacher if you are not sure if your comment meets that expectation. Keep the comment short and around 3 sentences max.

Due immediately! - Any students who do not contribute a statement will have a generic comment read in its place.

<https://forms.gle/v3SM9LuPVAJ2Yte76>

Volunteers NEEDED for Dry Grad/Red Carpet June 10th!

The Seaquam Grad Red Carpet celebration and Dry Grad requires many volunteers to make it a success. Thank you already to those who have already signed up. It's a fabulous event and great to see the grads having fun!

As is tradition, we encourage parents/guardians from the Grade 11 class, but also welcome parents with students in grades 8 – 10, to participate. This allows parents of graduates to focus on enjoying the graduation activities.

There are still many spots that need to be filled! Please sign up at this link: volunteersignup.org/BF3KB

In particular we need bus chaperones, security help, and games/general help for the Dry Grad event at night.

Even if you sign up for one area initially, please note we will try and share the shifts so that volunteers can move around and help in other areas of the event.

We also need a few more people for Red Carpet cleanup and also who can help with putting together the wooden Arbour (that the grads walk through)

If you have any questions, please ask! Thank you!

DRY GRAD TICKETS – Regular sales are now over

If you still wish to purchase a dry grad ticket, please contact the Dry Grad committee at seaquamdrygrad2023@gmail.com

Further details on Dry Grad can be found here <https://sites.google.com/view/seaquamdrygrad2023/home>

LAST Dry Grad Meeting is Monday May 29th in School Library at 6:30pm

Student Volunteer Opportunity

Key volunteers are conducting an information meeting about the International Children's festival in the multipurpose room after school Thursday, May 25, 2023.

It is a great opportunity to earn volunteer hours, provides career experience, teaches you valuable job skills, can provide a healthy boost to your self-confidence, and self esteem.

Please come to the meeting next week, to get important information about the event and confirmation of shifts.

Seaquam Music Festival

Our Seaquam Music Festival is coming up soon! The Music Festival is held in the Seaquam Theatre on Thursday, May 25th from 1:00-5:00pm.

We have 4 ensembles playing during the festival: Concert Band, Jazz Band, Concert Choir, and Wind Ensemble. The Festival will have two wonderful adjudicators that will work with each ensemble, this is a great learning experience for all music students.

We are looking forward to holding our 2nd annual Seaquam Music Festival!

Seaquam Football

Want to play football? Make friends? Learn teamwork? Have fun?

Football Facts:

- Offer football for grades 9 to 12
- Our coaches are certified
- Equipment is provided
- Our motto is Safety First
- Everyone makes the team
- Season starts in September, ends in December
- New to the game? We teach you the proper and safe way to play the game.

Football registration information:

- Registration fees includes:
 - All equipment (helmet, shoulder pads, jerseys, pants, mouth-guard, etc)
 - Transportation costs
 - Referee fees and athletic fees (BC School Sports, BC High School Football, etc)
 - Funding assistance is available through KidSport Canada www.kidsportcanada.ca

For more information, please contact:

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Cafeteria

Msay.22-26.23		Seaquam Café Menu				
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Special #1	Victoria Day	Ham & Cheese Kaiser Sub	Butter Chicken Basmati Rice	Chili Cheesedog	Lasagna Garlic Bread	
	Special #2	No School	Housemade Mac & Cheese	Baked Penne Rose Sauce	Greek Chicken Skewers	Pizza Day
Special #3	Victoria Day	Beef & Cheese Quesadilla	Chicken Lollipop Fried Rice	Beef & Broccoli Chow Mein	Chicken Parm Burger	
	Dining Room <i>*pre-order</i>	No School	same as Sp #1	Butter Chicken Steamed Basmati Rice Naan, Raita	Greek Orzo Salad Chicken Souvlaki Skewer	same as Sp#1

May Career Newsletter - click [here](#) to access all the information.

Highlights in this issue:

1. [Career & Hiring Fair](#) - June 8
2. [UBC Geering Up](#) - Summer Camps
3. [NASA Career Talk](#) - May 6
4. [Delta Police Academy](#) - July 2023
5. [VCAD Open House](#) - May 23
6. [BCIT Biomedical Info Session](#) - May 26



See your school Career Program Facilitator for more information on the high school programs!

Calendar events

May 22 Victoria Day – no school
May 24/25 South Fraser Track meet
May 25 Seaquam Music Festival, 1-5pm
May 26 Fire Drill
May 30 PAC meeting and elections
May 31 One Act plays
Collab Day
June 1 One Act plays
Grad Games – Softball
June 5 Fire Drill
June 7 Grade 8/9 Dance
June 8-10 BC Track and Field Meet
June 10 Red Carpet and Banquet
June 14 Grade 7 BBQ and open house
June 15 Music Concert
June 20 Provincial Assessments catch-up
June 23 Commencements at South Delta Baptist Church
Last day of regular classes for students
June 26 Awards Night
June 26-28 I Days
June 29 Report Cards posted

Sincerely,

Mark Robinson,
Principal

Ian Close,
Vice Principal

Vlad Nikic,
Vice Principal

Maggie Callander (next year)
Vice Principal