

**École Alpha Secondary School PAC**  
**MINUTES**  
**Monday, November 6, 2023**  
**7pm, in person, Alpha Library**

**1. Welcome, Introductions, Land Acknowledgement – Maria**

**Present:** Maria F, Gloria M, Janice C, Jessica J, Vivien G, Mr. Paré, Melanie W, Stace D, Stacie S, Sheeba F, Johanna K, Karen L, Shaen G, William H, Nancy N, Liezel L, Amy T, Aleksei Z, Jacqui Z, Donna S, Sally F, Arlene E

**Regrets:** Donna Y

**Guest Speakers:** students Michael and Sylvia

**2. Approval of Minutes from October 16, 2023, Meeting**

Motion to approve from Donna; seconded by Melanie; no opposition; passed.

**3. Presentation from Student Council**

Michael and Sylvia, co-presidents for Student Council this year, gave presentation.

Council is made up of a full Executive, reps from each grade, Indigenous reps, technical rep. They meet weekly, every Tuesday morning at 7:30am.

They plan activities for students like Spirit Days, pancake breakfasts, dances, Ho-Ho-Ho-Down, valentine's day, food truck Fridays, easter egg hunt, year-end carnival.

Possible PAC assistance includes:

- Parent encouragement for students to participate with Council events as they struggle with student engagement.
- remind your child to follow the Student Council Instagram account: <https://www.instagram.com/alphacouncil/?igshid=OGQ5ZDc2ODk2ZA%3D%3D>
- Prizes for the Ho-Ho-Ho-Down, perhaps gift cards and baskets. They have a letter we can use to solicit for donations. Donation letter attached.

Council communicates via Instagram (Alpha Council), announcements, and more.

PAC can communicate with them via Mr. Paré.

Winter formal dance:

- Planning for Thursday, December 7.
- Tickets in the \$20 range.
- Includes a DJ, decorations, security, photo booth, and snacks for sale.
- All grades invited.
- Dance is at the school.
- Hope for 300 tickets sold.
- Tickets will be sold in person at lunch (cash accepted) and available on School Cash Online.
- There will be a cut-off date for ticket sales and no tickets sold at the door.
- Last year sold 180 tickets, wasn't enough sales, and was only for grades 10-12's.

#### **4. Principal's Report – Mr. Paré**

Reviewed Emergency Response Guidelines.

##### **Types of Drills:**

##### **Fire, Bomb Threat, Gas Leak**

Notification: fire alarm or PA announcement

Response: evacuate

##### **Earthquake, Explosions**

Notification: feel shaking

Response: Drop, cover, hold on

##### **Outdoor Safety Hazard – when there is a threat outside the building (“Shelter in Place”)**

E.g., wild animal, extreme weather

Notification: PA announcement

Response: shelter in place

##### **Neighborhood security concern (“Hold and Secure”)**

E.g., gas station close to Alpha being robbed, police presence at nearby home, potentially dangerous situation in the community

Notification: PA announcement

Response: Hold in the school and secure the school

Note: works well when everyone is in the school and in class; difficult when in a transition and kids are outside.

##### **Threat in the Building Concern (“Lockdown”)**

Notification: PA announcement

Response: Lockdown (not a hold and secure) – away from windows, huddled down in the dark, everyone stays in that position until police come to the rooms.

Note: Administrative staff must also Lockdown.

##### **At Alpha:**

- Regular drills are held
- School has been seismically updated
- On October 19, 2023, participated in the Great BC Shakeout
- November 22 is a Lockdown drill
- Blinds for classrooms – some rooms have special Lockdown blinds, only meant to be down for a Lockdown. Rooms that don't have them are rooms where it is possible to hide and not be seen from the windows.
- Parent letter going out November 2023.
- Administration takes VTRA (Violent Threat Risk Assessment) training
- They do de-briefs and scenarios, e.g., reviewed Mountain Lockdown last Spring

#### **5. Chairperson's Report - Maria**

PAC Fundraising - Maria has been managing the fundraising and has several volunteers to take on fundraising pieces. Current fundraisers include:

- **SPC cards** – sold 100 to date, \$10 via School Cash Online, 450 providers give discounts with this card. Sales close on Friday Nov 10. PAC takes home \$3.50 from each card.
- **Purdy's** - Stacie S. Closing date is Nov 25 and will be delivered on Dec 8. PAC will send link out. Sales open Nov 10. First \$500.00 sold we get 5%; over that. 25%.
- **Cob's Bread at Kensington** – mention Alpha and 5% of the sale got to Alpha PAC.
- **Return it at Kensington Bottle depot** - Bag it and tag it to Alpha School. PAC gets all the money. Bag must be translucent. Use school phone number to print the label. Working on it being accepted at other Return-its.

#### **6. Vice-Chairperson's Report - Gloria**

No report.

#### **7. Treasurer's Report - Janice**

In October PAC received the annual gaming grant, \$22,920, based on last years head count, \$20 per student.

Gaming grant must be used within 36 months.

Gaming grant has restrictions on how funds can be spent.

School Cash Online donations and general funds spending is more flexible.

Gaming Grant funds usually go towards teacher wish list items. Staff give their list at end of November to Mr. Paré, he reviews it and presents to PAC.

Decisions on spending are made at PAC meetings. Requests come in, are discussed at PAC meeting, and voted on.

PAC will discuss creating a budget for future spending of the General account.

#### **8. Parent Representative Reports**

**Sally – grade 9 rep** – reported that at the recent parent teacher online meetings, some parents struggled with hearing the teachers.

**Stacie S. – grade 12:** (note Oct 30, 2023, Grad Assembly presentation attached)

##### **Graduation Photos**

- November 14 to 18, 2023 at Artona Studio
- Book an appointment through the Artona website.
- Check-in 15 minutes prior to their session.
- Cap and gown photo taken for the yearbook.
- \$60 deposit due at the sitting that will be applied toward your purchases or refunded if you return your Artona Book within the 30 days of your session.
- Grads will have photos taken first in the outfit of their choice prior to their cap and gown photo. They may bring props if they fit in a 55 cm X 39 cm container, they may also have a photo taken with two friends or with 4 family members. If you want a family photo and have more members, contact Artona.

- Remember to please contact the school to excuse your student for the time they will be away for their senior photos.

### **Teams**

Ms. Lo has asked that you remind your student to check their appropriate Teams group.  
For students with last names starting A to L: O365-Alpha-2023-2024-Grade12-A-L  
For students with last names starting M to Z: O365-Alpha-2023-2024-Grade12-M-Z

### **Instagram**

Ms. Lo has also asked that you remind your student to join these Instagram accounts:  
Grad Council Instagram, <https://www.instagram.com/alphagradcouncil2024/>  
Dry Grad Instagram, <https://www.instagram.com/alphadrygrad2024/>

### **Capstone**

Please confirm your student has submitted their Capstone Proposal.

### **Grad Yearbook write-ups and baby photos**

Deadline for Grade 12 grad write-ups and baby pics for the yearbook is Nov 30.  
The link to upload and submit is posted on the Grade 12 Team.

### **Mark your calendar**

**Post-Secondary BC (PSBC) Visit:** Tuesday, November 21, 2023, 5:30 PM. Grade 10-12 students and parents welcome!

**School Leaving Ceremony:** Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at SFU's Convocation Mall, 6:30pm.

**Dinner Dance:** Wednesday, June 26, 2024, Vancouver Marriott Pinnacle Downtown  
1128 West Hastings Vancouver, BC

**Dry Grad:** Wednesday, June 26, 2024, 11:00pm to 3:00am, The Metro Hall - 759  
Carnarvon Street, New Westminster

### **Payments**

School Cash Online is now ready to accept your payment for some Graduation Events:  
School Leaving Ceremony (\$80), Dinner Dance (\$140). Pay fees by November 30  
If applicable, you should also find the AP Exam fees in School Cash Online.

### **Grad Sweats**

2023/2024 Grad Sweats (\$30-\$40) samples are available at lunch in the foyer.  
Orders are due Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **Dry Grad**

Opportunities in School Cash Online account to support Dry Grad. If you have any questions for the Dry Grad Committee, please reach them at [drygrad.alpha@gmail.com](mailto:drygrad.alpha@gmail.com).  
All grade 12 parents are welcome to attend the Dry Grad committee meetings, the next one will be December 13, 2023, at 7 PM in the Alpha School Library.



### **Dry Grad fundraiser: Family and Friends Portrait Nights**

Open to all Alpha Families and their friends.

November 20, 21, 22, 2023 from 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Alpha School Library.

\$45 for a personalized 15-minute portrait session of up to 75 shots, fee provides one free photo download.

\$90 for an additional package that provides a complete download of all photos.

Group Size is maximum of 8, no refunds/time changes for any reason, no pets.

To learn about the photographer, Derek Stevens, visit his website at [www.dsphoto.ca](http://www.dsphoto.ca)

How to book:

1. Book your time slot via link: <https://calendar.app.google/wPmTY4axee1tAEgw9>
  2. Once your time slot has been confirmed, pay \$45 via School Cash Online
- Note: Completion of either step without the other will result in the cancellation of your appointment.

### **9. Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

#### **a. Alpha PAC Constitution revision progress update:**

Melanie volunteered to run the group. See Melanie if interested in helping. Goal is the revision is completed in time to vote on at April PAC meeting, so all is in order prior to the June AGM. Current C&Bs are on the PAC website. Sign up form circulated to join the group.

#### **b. Treasurer parent volunteer for next year update:**

This is Janice's last year. We will need a new treasurer for 2024-25. Would be good for someone to shadow Janice this year. Have 2 possibilities.

#### **c. Fundraising parent volunteer update:**

Position is still open. Let PAC know if you are interested in taking this on.

#### **d. New English Language Learner (ELL) parent volunteer update:**

Position is still open. Let PAC know if you are interested in taking this on.

#### **e. Athletics Update: Basketball Coaches needed ASAP:**

- Grade 8 girls' basketball
- Grade 9 girls' basketball
- Grade 10 girls' basketball
- Sr girls (grade 11 and 12) Basketball
- Grade 8 boys Basketball
- Grade 9 boys Basketball

Additional details from Amber Norris, Athletic Director, provided post-meeting: Will take up to 6 hours a week. There are often 2 practices and 2 games, but this may vary depending on the schedule. (Some weeks may have 3 games, some 1, and some may have no games)

Practices can be in the mornings (7-8:30 am) or after school. Athletic Director tries to accommodate parents and community coaches as best they can.

Gr. 10, 11, and 12 games are on Mondays and Wednesdays (for the most part). Jr. games are at 5:30 and Sr. games are at 7:00

Gr. 8 games are mostly on Mondays and Wednesdays but are also on some Tuesdays and Thursdays. Grade 8 games are at 4:00.

Gr. 9 games are on Tuesdays and Thursdays (with some possible exceptions) Gr. 9 girls' games are mostly at 4:00 but will be at 5:00 if there is a gr. 8 game beforehand. Gr. 9 boys' games are at 5:30, and the occasional game at 7:00.

Some knowledge of the game is helpful, but school is looking for anyone who is willing to coach. A big part is endurance training and getting them moving as it is a high energy game. A person does not need to have experience. Although we may eventually get there, basketball is not our strongest Alpha sport, so just being able to have a coach to have a team and participate is all we need.

Our league games are in Burnaby and New Westminster. The one exception is gr. 9 girls where there will be one game played at Heritage Woods in Coquitlam.

Please contact Amber if you can help, [Amber.Norris@burnabyschools.ca](mailto:Amber.Norris@burnabyschools.ca)

## **10. New Business**

### **a. Hybrid options for PAC meetings – Maria**

The PAC investigated utilizing hybrid options for our meetings. The technical piece to do so is complicated. The PAC also decided to focus on building connections with families and the Alpha Community through in-person engagement. To support families that are unable to attend a PAC meeting, the PAC has initiated:

- Sending the previous meeting Minutes with the upcoming meeting Agenda the Friday before each PAC Meeting.
- Having the meetings begin at 7pm.
- Sending out a PAC Monthly Update email (last one sent October 26, 2023)
- A link with information on how to connect with the PAC is available at the Alpha School Website at <https://alpha.burnabyschools.ca/parent-advisory-council/>

### **b. School expansion project update - Vivien**

This year, Alpha has 1,250 students enrolled. There is a District Plan which forecasted the year 2025 to be 1,209 students. This expected growth has been achieved sooner than expected. Alpha is over its capacity and nearby elementary schools are over their maximum capacity too. i.e., year 2025 (150-180%) for Kitchener and Brentwood Park.

There is no plan for an Alpha expansion.

Parents signed up to join a PAC subcommittee on this topic. Please let the PAC know if you'd like to join.

It was brought up that students might want to also be involved, perhaps the Debate team.

It was noted the BC Govt only builds to current numbers, not to future numbers.

### **c. Decision re: DPAC Representative voting - Maria**

PAC Constitution & Bylaws (C&Bs) being revised this year due to many outdated protocols.

PAC C&Bs require District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) rep vote be done by secret ballot. PAC held two elections for the 2023-24 year and did not do a secret ballot for DPAC rep.

BC School Act Legislation also mentions a secret ballot is required for DPAC reps.

Discussion re: the BC School Act Legislation not mentioning having DPAC alternates vs. the Burnaby DPAC Act which allows alternates, and Alpha has two alternate DPAC reps.

Discussion on the Alpha PAC being guided by the BC School Act vs. the Burnaby DPAC act.

Melanie made a motion to have an election by secret ballot for the DPAC rep at the next PAC meeting.

Melanie decided to withdraw her motion. Melanie asked it to be noted in the minutes that she disagrees with the PAC continuing the rest of the 2023-24 year with not having a secret ballot DPAC vote and with having alternate DPAC reps.

#### **11. Upcoming Events**

November 6-17 Beaver Computing Challenge

November 10 Remembrance Day Assembly

November 13 school closed for Remembrance Day

November 14-18 Grad photos

November 30 Term 1 Report cards available

November 21 PSBC (Post-Secondary BC School visit), 5:30pm

November 24 Pro-D Day

November 30 Grad write ups for yearbook due

November 30 to Dec 1 Winter Cabaret

December 7 Winter Dance (date: TBD, potential date is Dec 7)

#### **12. Next PAC Meeting: Monday, December 4, 2023, 7pm, in person**

#### **13. Adjourn 9:20pm**



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930 Alpha Avenue, Burnaby, BC V5C 3E2, Phone: 604-296-6865 [alpha.burnabyschools.ca](http://alpha.burnabyschools.ca)

To whom it may concern:

This letter is coming to you on behalf of Alpha Secondary's Student Council. Student Council is a student-led class that focuses on organizing events for the school community and rallying school spirit. The class itself consists of approximately 20 students from grades 8 through 12 who represent the diverse and extraordinary student body that exists at Alpha.

Every December, the Student Council team works together with the school to run an annual holiday event, known as the Ho Ho Ho Down. This event includes curricular engagement with line dancing, alongside festive games and activities that encourage cooperation and community amongst the student population. The event itself is entirely run by the students and is always a highlight of the year.

We are asking you to consider providing a donation to the event in the form of whatever you feel is fit. Examples may include a gift card, vouchers, or a physical item that can be given as prizes to the lucky students who participate and engage in the Ho Ho Ho Down.

Thank you so much for taking the time to read this letter and consider contributing to Alpha's annual Ho Ho Ho Down event.

If you would like to contribute or discuss anything further, please reach out directly to myself at [Isabella.v.deangelis@burnabyschools.ca](mailto:Isabella.v.deangelis@burnabyschools.ca) or 604-296-6865 Ext: 601124.

Sincerely,

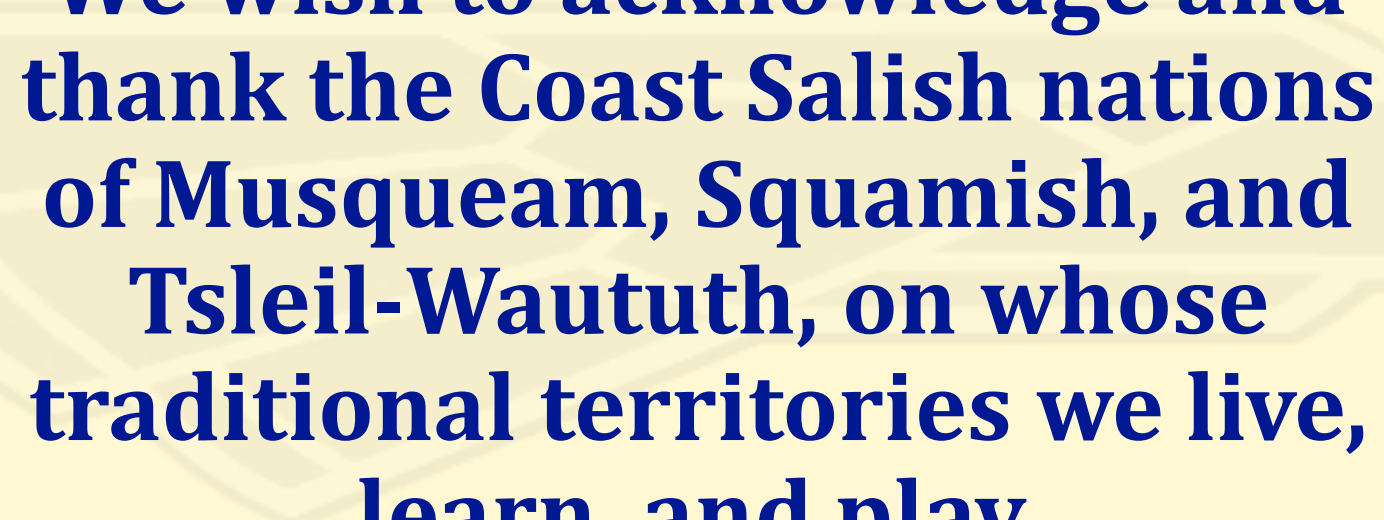
Isabella De Angelis  
Student Council Teacher



# **Grade 12 Parent/Guardian Information Session**

**October 30, 2023**

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**We wish to acknowledge and  
thank the Coast Salish nations  
of Musqueam, Squamish, and  
Tsleil-Waututh, on whose  
traditional territories we live,  
learn, and play.**

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GRADUATION

## INDIVIDUAL PHOTO SESSION

**November 14-18, 2023**

Book This Sitting

## WHAT'S THE SESSION LIKE?

- Personalized 30 Minute Professional Studio Session
- 4 Studio Rooms and 16 different looks
- Traditional Cap & Gown

**GRAD PHOTOS  
@ ARTONA  
NOVEMBER 14-18,  
2023  
BOOK ONLINE**

**[https://artona.com/schools/  
ALPH/programs/graduation](https://artona.com/schools/ALPH/programs/graduation)**



# School Leaving Ceremony Team

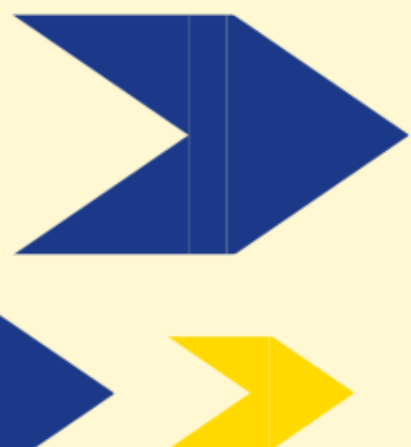
- **Vice Principal: Ms. Watson**
- **Teacher: Ms. Nguyen**





# School Leaving Ceremony Fee



- **SLC Fee: \$80**
  - **Payable via SchoolCash Online**
    - **Indicate your HEIGHT when you pay your fee**
    - **Email/Website/O365-Teams for info**
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# Dry Grad

**What is Dry Grad?** Dry Grad is the Prom after party.

**Why is it called Dry Grad?** It's a safe place for graduates to celebrate their graduation without drugs or alcohol.

**When:** Thursday, June 26, 2024 from 11:00 pm to 4:00 am

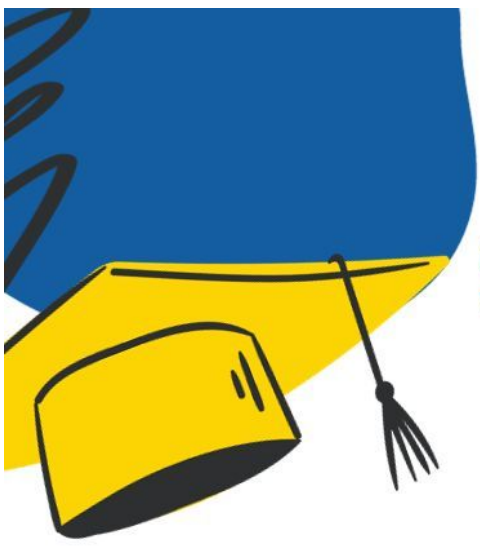
**Who organizes Dry Grad?** Parents of the graduating class. There is cost to attend Dry Grad, but the parent group will hold fundraisers to help subsidize ticket price.

## *How can I contribute?*

**Volunteer:** come out to our next meeting and see what volunteer opportunities exist. Next Meeting-7PM: November 2, 2023 School Learning Commons

**Donations:** We are always looking for monetary donations as well as item donations that will be used as prizes. Everything helps!

**More Information or Questions?** Contact us at [drygrad.alpha@gmail.com](mailto:drygrad.alpha@gmail.com)



# **ECOLE ALPHA SECONDARY'S SCHOOL LEAVING CEREMONY**

**TUESDAY, MAY 21st, 2024  
at Convocation Mall, SFU**

## **GRAD DINNER/DANCE...**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26th, 2024  
at the Pinnacle Hotel Vancouver  
Harbourfront**





# Grad Council

**Ms. Cawker**

**Ms. Deacon**

Co-chairs

**Lara Boljuncic**

**Sophia Brigden**



## Logo Contest!

Open now until October 6

Link to vote for your favourite logo will  
be open Oct 10-13 on TEAMS

Vote for your favourite design to have  
your say in this year's grad logo!




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## Cookie Dough Sales!

October 4 - 27

Most sold - \$200 gift card to Metrotown  
4 x \$50 gift baskets



# **Grad Requirements and Post-Secondary**

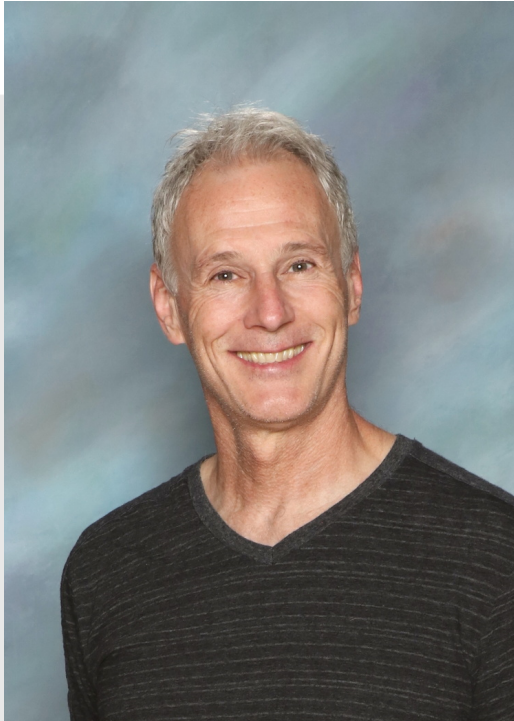




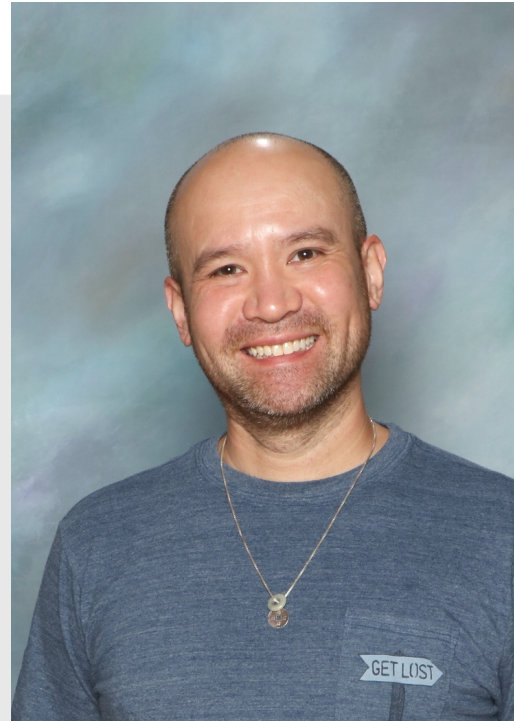
# Counsellors



**STEVE BERMANN**  
A - Ho



**JEREMY BERKBIGLER**  
Hs- M + Indigenous  
Students



**YOONA HAWKINS**  
N- Z



# 2023 Graduation Requirements

- Minimum of 80 credits

Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Any English 10	Any English 11	English Studies 12
Social Studies 10	Any Social Studies 11 OR 12	
Any Math 10	Any Math 11 OR 12	
Science 10	Any Science 11 OR 12	
PHE 10		
Career Life Ed 10		

# 2023 Graduation Requirements

- Minimum of 80 credits
- Plus:
  - Applied Skills or Fine Arts 10 or 11 or 12
  - Career Life Connections 11 and 12
  - 3 Additional Grade 12 courses
  - **Indigenous-Focused Graduation requirement (4 credits of indigenous focused coursework)**
- Grade 10 Literacy Assessment
- Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment
- **Grade 12 Literacy Assessment (New!!)**
- **Grade 12 FRIMM Literacy Assessment (New!!)**



# Post-Secondary

## College requirements

- High school graduation with English Studies 12
- Some pre-requisites for specific programs
  - Check with your counsellor or a college advisor
- Apply now!
  - Registration dates are assigned based on your application date – many programs and courses will be full if you have a late registration date!

# University Requirements

Admission averages are **typically** based on:

- English Studies 12, *plus*
- 4-5 Academic Grade 12 classes (specific to your program of choice)

**Some universities also require:**

- Minimum English/ Math 11/12 mark
- Language 11
- Supplemental or Broad-Based Admission Application or Video

# University Requirement Examples

- SFU has changed the requirements for the **Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences**. Make sure to check to see if your course load makes you eligible.
- **SFU Admission Compass**

# University Requirement Examples

**SFU:** Min. English Studies 12 Requirement 70%

Math 11 ( Pre-Calc 11 or FOM 11) Min. Requirement 60%

**UBC Van:** Min. English Studies 11 + 12    **70% cutoff**

For some programs Eng. St. 12 /Pre-Calc 12    **80% cutoff**

# University Requirement Examples

## Ontario Universities:

- Science / Business Programs: Calculus 12

## McGill/ U of T:

- Repeated Courses Count

# But...

- Many universities have changed or *are still changing* their requirements
- Our information is for general guidance only

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# So...

For help,

- **Check their websites** – sign up for newsletters and updates!
- Pay attention to the **O365-Alpha Grade 12 Teams** and the Student Bulletin.
- Make sure your push notifications are on!

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# Also...

- Talk to your counsellor
- Make an appointment with a university advisor

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# PSBC (Post-Secondary Institutions)

- In person this year again (yay!)
- November 21, 5:30 PM

BCIT • CAMOSUN • CDN FORCES • CAPILANO • COAST MOUNTAIN • CNC  
COTR • CORPUS CHRISTI • DOUGLAS • EMILY CARR • FDU • JIBC • KPU  
LANGARA • NVIT • NORTH ISLAND • NORTHERN LIGHTS • OKANAGAN • QUEST  
RRU • SELKIRK • SFU • TRU • TWU • UBC • UNBC • UVic • VCC • VIU

# Applying to BCPSIs

- <https://apply.educationplannerbc.ca/>
- Create an account that can be used to apply at multiple institutions
- You will need your PEN number

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# Application Dates

- **UBC \*\***

- Major Entrance Scholarship: Dec. 1, 2023
- Final Deadline: Jan. 15, 2024

- **SFU\*\***

- Major Entrance Scholarship: Dec. 15, 2023
- Final Deadline: Jan. 31, 2024



# Application Dates

- Douglas College: Oct 1- Ongoing
- Langara College: Oct 1- Ongoing
- Capilano University: Now – May 31
- Kwantlen Polytechnic: Oct. 1- Aug 1

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# Application Dates

**OUAC APPLICATIONS Vary by University so make sure to check the websites to find application deadlines.**

***E.g. APPLICANTS TO U of T:***

- **U of T has listed NOV 7th.** As the recommended early application deadline

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# Application Dates

UVIC	Apply by Jan. 31/24
KWANTLEN	Apply by March 1/24
CAPU	Apply by May 31/24
ECUAD***	Apply by Jan. 15/24 ***Portfolio due Jan 16th, 2024 on Slide Room

# Student Transcripts Service



Allows grads to:

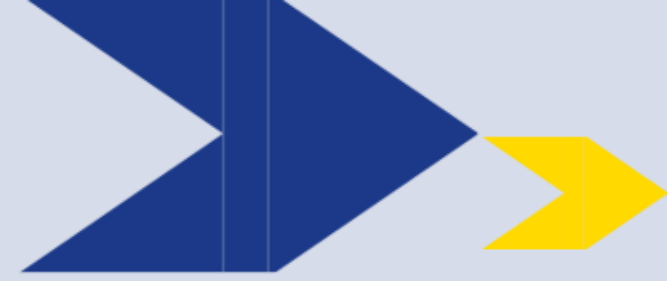
- View grades and Assessment results
- Order & send transcripts to post-secondary institutions and/or employers
- View transcript order status and history
- View BC scholarships awarded, expiry, and redemption status. <https://www.bceid.ca/>  
<http://www.StudentTranscripts.gov.bc.ca>
- Instructions posted on school website



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# ONLINE COURSEWORK



- **For UBC and SFU:**
  - Online coursework must be completed by June 30, 2024
  - require an interim mark by March 15th submitted and 50% complete by March 15th.



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# Challenge a Language 11/12



- Complete the package online  
<http://web.deltasd.bc.ca/content/schools/secondary/challengeexams>
- Attach a picture & \$50.00 refundable deposit (non-refundable \$195.00 for International students)
- Exams are held Jan 28<sup>th</sup> or Jan 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Confirmation email sent out by Dec 16, 2022

**DUE to Us: October 31 or to Delta S.D. Nov. 4, 2022**



Spanish 11/12	French 11/12	Punjabi 11/12
Korean 11/12	Mandarin11/12	Japanese 11/12

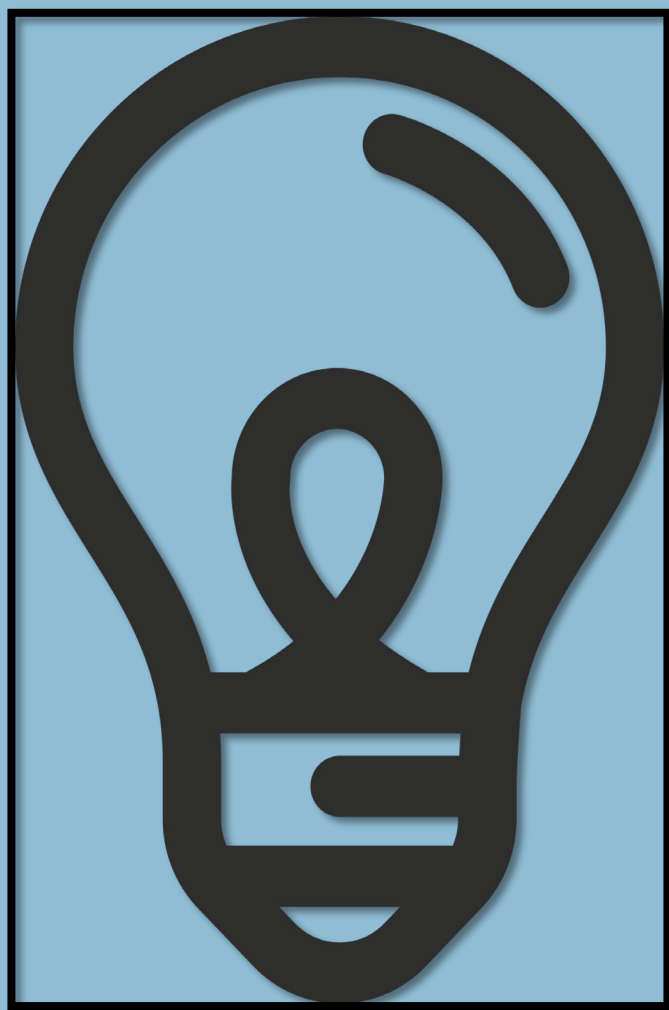
**NOTE: UBC does not accept Language 11/12 marks for admission.**

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# Post-Secondary

General Rule of Thumb for  
applying:

**2 Universities and  
at least 1 College**



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# CAPSTONE & CLC 12B

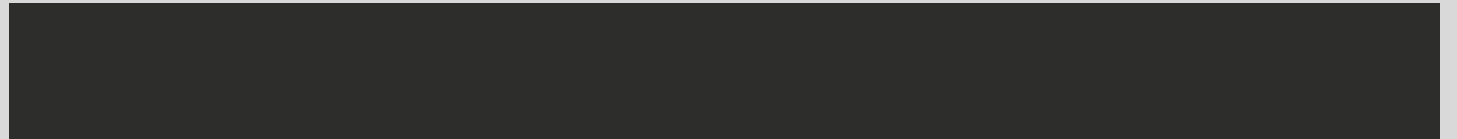
**Ms. Lo & Ms. Teng-Davis**

# CAPSTONE ADVISORS (BY LAST NAME)



Ms. Teng-Davis (A-L)

Ms. Lo (M-Z)





# CLC 12B

- **Resume**
- **Proof of Work Safe (completed in CLE 10)**
- **30 hours of WORK or VOLUNTEER experience  
(forms available on TEAMS or see your advisor)**
  - International grads = local experience
- **Capstone Project (all components must be completed)**



# Capstone Project

- Graduation Requirement (CLC 12A and 12B)
- Remember what you saw in Grade 11 as audience members
- Year-long project (until April 2024)
- Showcases an area of interest and your goals surrounding it
- Have a connection with your future career, post secondary goals or long-term goals after Alpha.
- Proposal and check in required

**Everything is done through O365 TEAMS**

# The Basics

## IS THIS IS A GRADUATION REQUIREMENT?

Yes, it is.

All BC grads complete a Capstone project. You will not be eligible for graduation if it is not complete.

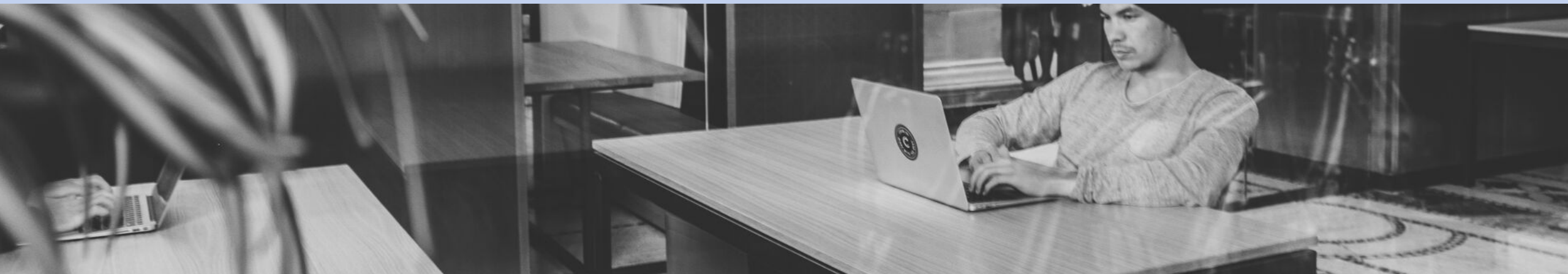
## WILL IT BE MARKED?

- ✓ Term and final mark will be given
- ✓ Will affect **GOLD CORD** and **HONOUR ROLL**

## DO I HAVE TO PRESENT IT?

Yes – Most likely, similar to last year

Small group of presenters and audience members and one teacher





# CLC 12B

## CAPSTONE TIMELINE

### PROPOSAL

FRIDAY  
OCTOBER 27, 2023

### CHECK IN

MONDAY  
JANUARY 15, 2024

### PRESENTATIONS

FRIDAY  
APRIL 12, 2024

Questions? Please contact your advisors:

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**ARE YOU A  
JANUARY 2024  
GRAD?**



# **CLC 12B**

## **CAPSTONE TIMELINE**

### **PROPOSAL**

**FRIDAY  
OCTOBER 27, 2023**

### **CHECK IN**

**FRIDAY  
DECEMBER 1, 2023**

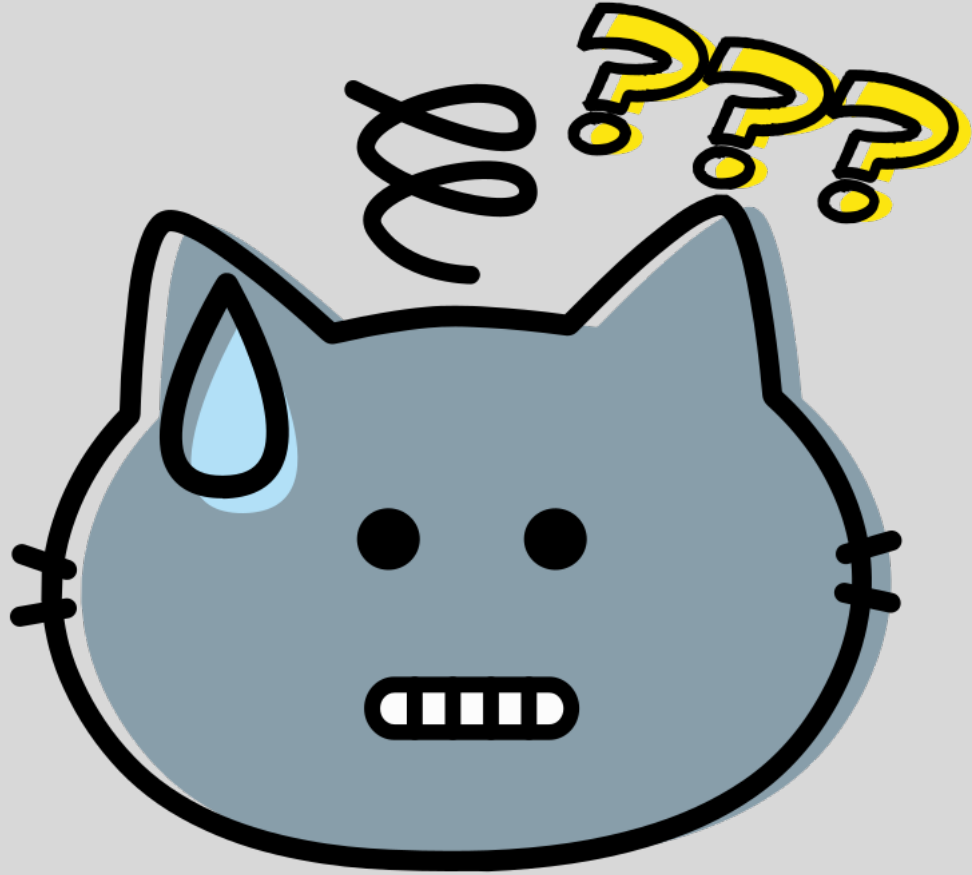
### **PRESENTATIONS**

**WEDNESDAY  
JANUARY 24, 2024**

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# Q & A

**QUESTIONS?  
COMMENTS?  
CONCERNS?**

**See Ms. Lo or Ms. Teng-Davis**

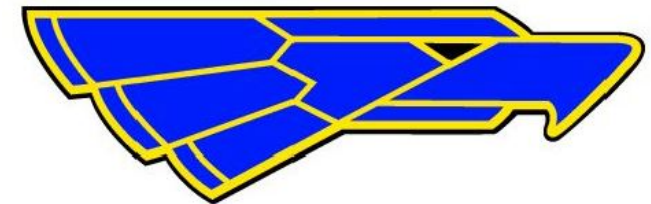
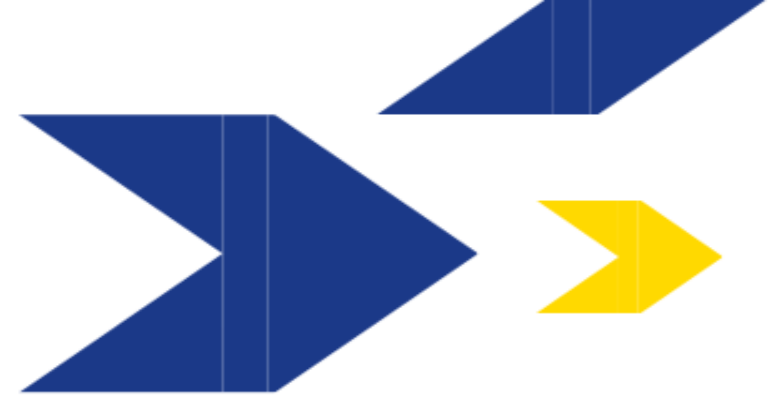


# **Alpha Scholarships**

## **2023-2024**

# Where Can Students Find Info?

- O-365 TEAMS
- Website – SharePoint/Blog



# SCHOLARSHIPS vs BURSARIES

## SCHOLARSHIP

- are grants or payments made to support a student's education
- awarded for academic achievement, financial need, community service, leadership ability, etc.

## BURSARIES

- are awarded solely for financial need.



**BOTH = FREE MONEY**

# TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS

- Alpha **School** Scholarships
- Burnaby School **District** Scholarships
- **Provincial Government** Scholarships
- **Entrance** Scholarships from **post secondary** institutions (apply at the time of applications)
- **Private** Scholarships (non-profit organizations, community organizations, businesses, banks, unions, etc.) offer scholarships too! (RESEARCH!!!)

# WHO CAN APPLY?

- Not always about marks
- Most scholarships recognize a WELL-ROUNDED student (those who balance school and life)
- Common criteria – academic performance and/or financial need
- Variety of areas
  - ✓ Athletics
  - ✓ Visual and Performing Arts
  - ✓ Community Service
  - ✓ Environmental Activism
  - ✓ Technology
  - ✓ Trades (ie. Auto-mechanics, culinary arts, hairstyling)

**[ OPPORTUNITIES EXIST FOR EVERYONE ]**



# What do you need to apply?

## 1. Transcripts - School records

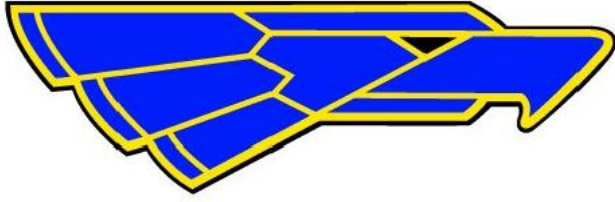
## 2. References - 1-3 references

- Teachers, coaches, employers, or community organization leaders that can speak to the student's qualifications and strengths.
- Allow at least **two weeks** notice for letters to be written.

## 3. Personal Essays

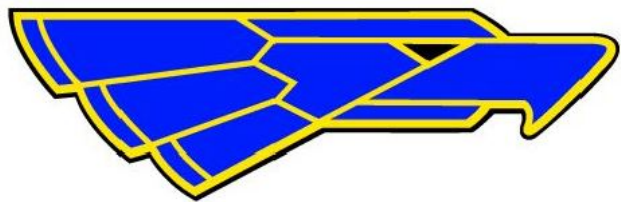






# STUDENT PROFILE

- Available on TEAMS
- All students who want to be considered for **School/District** and **School Nominated Scholarships** must complete Student Profile
- No profile = No considerations



# APPLICATION DUE DATES

## **Due dates VARY**

Some scholarships are due early in the school year, in October and November, others are in the Spring.

Keep your eyes and ears open!

*(Teams, Blog, Announcements)*



## **Deadlines are FIRM**

Applications are due before the due date – no exceptions!

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