SIMONDS & U-CONNECT November 18, 2024

UPDATES

We have had a fun last few weeks, with our Annual Holiday Market and some other great things happening including our Remembrance Day Assembly. I will say, that you should be very proud of your students as they were very respectful and great learners during our school-wide assembly (K-7). Our secondary students participated in a video and class discussion and all students learned a little bit about why we wear a poppy leading up to and on Remembrance Day.

Please be sure to sign up for Student Inclusive Conferences and to make note of when classes are in session. Conferences are meant to include students and their families. Please check your email for signing up information if you have not already done so.

We are getting ready for some fun holiday adventures here in both schools! Our Leadership students at secondary have already begun their celebrations (is that an elf?!) and our younger students are starting to plan and learn some songs and performances to share with families leading up to the holiday break. You also may have noticed some updated exterior lighting in and around the school--this is to help support having less activity in the evenings and weekends that have been leading to broken glass and garbage on our play areas. Please, if you notice anything--contact us at the office, and if it is after hours and emergent or disruptive; please feel free to report to non-emergency.

Important Dates



Nov. 18-29: Student Inclusive Conferences Nov. 19-21: Scholastic Book Fair Nov. 20: Lego Connections OWL (UC K-7) Nov. 26: U-Connect K-7 Student Inclusive Conferences (U-Connect K-7 not in session) Nov. 27: Simonds Student Inclusive Conferences (Simonds K-5 Classes not in session) Nov. 28: Simonds Student Inclusive Conferences (Simonds K-5 2 hour early dismissal: 12:33) Looking ahead: Dec. 3: Pancake Breakfast Dec. 12: Christmas Store (Simonds) Dec. 13: MunchaLunch (Simonds; order by Dec. 5) Dec. 18: Winter Concert (1:00 pm & 6:00 pm)

Communicating Student Learning (CSL) Elementary School

Learning is a journey for all students that requires the support of teachers, staff, and families. Parent/guardian involvement is always a contributing factor to a student's success. But how does a parent/guardian know how their child is doing? The District is sharing information about the different ways of **Communicating Student Learning (CSL)** to help support families. On this webpage you will find information about student inclusive conferences, proficiency scales, and self-reflection on the core competencies. These resources are aimed to help support your child. Read more <u>here</u>.

Communicating Student Learning (CSL) Secondary School

Learning is a journey for all students that requires the support of teachers, staff, and families. Parent/guardian involvement is always a contributing factor to a student's success. But how does a parent/guardian know how their child is doing? The District is sharing information about the different ways of **Communicating Student Learning (CSL)** to help support families. On this webpage you will find information about proficiency scales, letter grades, self-reflection on the core competencies, and how you can support your child in their learning process. Read more <u>here</u>.

WEATHER INFO

Important Recess Information:

Just a reminder that we ask all students to be prepared for the weather, be it rainy or sunny or cold or not...Outside time is an important part of our day, and unless it is very, very rainy or stormy, we continue to go outside. Please ensure your student has extra clothing at school, and is dressed for the weather with proper footwear and jackets so that they may play comfortably!

Information About School Status During Inclement Weather

Snow closures and power outages are an annual occurrence in the Langley School District. So, where do you go to get information about the status of schools during periods of inclement weather? If you are able to access the internet via computer or smartphone, current information about Langley schools can be accessed on all school websites or www.sd35.bc.ca. Updates are also posted to X (formerly Twitter) @LanglevSchools and Facebook at www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict. If you don't have internet connectivity but your phone is working, call a relative or friend in an area that has not been affected by the storm and ask them to check the district website for vou. Local radio stations are also informed of school status in Langley. Tune in to CKWX 1130AM, CKNW 980AM, Country Radio 107.1FM, Pulse 107.7 or CBC 690AM or 88.1FM for updates.

Please note that Langley District schools are all considered 'open' until a decision to close is required. Decisions on school closures are usually made by 6:30am. As always, it is a parent's decision whether to send their child to school based on safety and individual circumstances. If you feel it is unsafe for you or your child to travel to or attend an open school for any reason, please keep your child home and report an absence to the school.

Spirit New Order Link

https://simonds-pac.square.site/







DID YOU KNOW THAT WE COMMUNICATION LOTS OF DIFFERENT WAYS WITH OUR U-CONNECT 8-12 PROGRAM?

We use the following for communication:

Grade Teams, Class Teams, Post Secondary and Scholarship Team, Grade 8/9/10 (NEW!) Homework Snap, School Newsletter, OWL Bulletin Notices, Open Tutorial Notices, Hallway PowerPoint AND Direct Emails. If you feel that we aren't connecting with both students and home; please let us know how we can better support--we are always open to new ideas.