

SEYCOVE GRAD 2007 BULLETIN
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This is your third edition of Grad Bulletin.

- **Grad Parent meeting** is on **Wednesday, November 8th, 7:30pm** in the cafeteria. Topics include: Scholarships, University Admissions, Provincial Exams and Transcripts
- If you haven't done so already regarding the completion of the Portfolio, please see Ms. Roberts.
- **Completed a Grade 12 Course?** If you have completed a grade 12 course, please see Ms. Roberts with your final mark.
- **Correspondence** – if you are taking a Greater Vancouver Distant Education Course, please let Ms. Robert know. See Ms. Roberts with a copy of your final grade.
- **External Courses for Graduation Credits** – Students can receive credits for successfully completing certain external courses approved by the Ministry of Education, Skills and Training. To find out more information about External Courses, see Ms. Roberts or visit the website:
www.bced.gov.bc.ca/branches/dmsc.
- **30 Hours** – Please make sure you have completed your 30hrs (4.1 Aspect)
- Get your 100 hrs and/or 200hrs paperwork completed and handed in to Ms. Parmar ASAP.

Reminder

- **Grad Parent emails** – If your parents did not attend Grad Parent night we may not have their email address, please see Ms. Roberts/Ms Parmar or Ms. Riekert to obtain the purple form.

POST SECONDARY

- **Seycove Post Secondary Day** - on **Tuesday, Dec. 5th at 7 PM**. Representation from B.C universities, colleges, and technology institutions will be at Seycove to answer your questions. PARENTS ARE WELCOME.
- **WHAT TO DO NOW IF YOU WANT TO APPLY TO UNIVERSITY IN B.C.** – Check out the PASBC (Post-Secondary Application Service of B.C) Website: www.pas.bc.ca The deadline is, as a rule of thumb, February 28th for B.C. universities and March 31 for colleges. Eastern and out of province schools have earlier deadlines, generally January 31, if you are applying to school in Ontario, they also have a common application center, www.ouac.on.ca. For out of province schools, Ms Roberts will need to prepare a transcript for you.
 - Many universities will base your initial acceptance on you **2nd Term** grades.

- In the spring, you will sign a Post-Secondary Institutions choices form (PSI), which will allow universities in Canada to access your transcript from the Ministry of Education.
- **Reference Letters From Teachers, Counsellors, Administrators or Others-** Many universities (primarily in the U.S) and many scholarship and bursary applications require reference letters. When you are asking for a reference letter from any of the above, PLEASE GIVE TWO TO THREE WEEKS NOTICE. You will need to provide background information about yourself by completing the information form for reference.
- **Transcripts** – Sign up with Mrs. Riekert in student services, allow at least 24hrs to process.
- **Attending University/College in the U.S** – Check the university website for application dates. Many U.S. university applications are due before Christmas.
- **SAT'S** – American Universities determine the eligibility of applicants by their Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) results combined by their High School marks. See Ms. Roberts for the Information booklets. There are usually 5 testing dates each school year. Register online for the SAT at www.collegeboard.com. Seycove Code: 821252. You should write your SAT asap if you are planning on attending university in the U.S.
- **KAPLAN** – To help students prepare for the SAT, Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions will be offering a **free practice SAT**. This is a great opportunity for students to learn what to expect on test day.
 - **Practice SAT:** Saturday, November 4, 2006 from 10:00 am to 2 pm
 - **Location:** Kaplan Education Center – 1490 West Broadway, Suite 300, Vancouver, BC.
 - Student should bring a calculator, pencils, and snack to the practice test. Kaplan will provide everything else. To register, please call 1800-KAP-TEST or visit www.kaptest.com
 - **For a complete list of registration deadlines, please visit –** http://www.collegeboard.com/prof/counselors/test/sat/dates_fees.html.
- **SAUDER School of Business** – The Commerce Undergraduate Society, in conjunction with the Undergraduate Program Office of the Sauder School of Business, at the University of British Columbia is hosting an Admissions Forum for high-school students. Grade 11 and 12 students, along with their parents and counselors are invited and encouraged to attend. The 2006 admission forum is on Saturday November 18th, 2006 – 10:00 am – 3 pm. At university of British Columbia, Forest Science Centre, 2424 Main Mall, UBC Vancouver Campus.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- **Soroptimist International of North and West Vancouver - The Violet Richardson Award** – This award recognizes and honors young women between

the ages of 14-17 who make the school, community and world a better place through their volunteer efforts. The deadline for entry is **December 1st, 2006**. Each candidate must submit an original application – photocopies are not accepted. Application forms are available in the scholarship filing cabinet, outside Ms. Roberts office.

- **MILLENNIUM SCHOLARSHIPS** – The Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation's and Millennium Excellence Award Program encourages Canadians to make positive and significant contributions to the betterment of their communities, to demonstrate a capacity for creative leadership and to commit themselves to the pursuit of innovation and academic excellence. Students who will be entering a post-secondary institution in 2007-2008 are eligible to apply, the application deadline is December 15th, 2006. Check the website for the application www.excellenxeaward.ca. Over 1,000 entrance awards with a value of up to \$20,000 (in annual allotments) will be distributed throughout Canada in 2007. Application forms also available in scholarship file cabinet out side Ms. Roberts office.

Work Experience

- **Here is the opportunity for all the students who have science and applied science as their focus area** – BCIT and UBC have a Biotechnology Career Awareness Program, for more info see Ms. Parmar
- **VanArts - Vancouver Institute of Media Arts has a Media Arts Boot Camp-** it's a great opportunity for students who have signed up for Fine Arts and Design, see Ms. Parmar for details.

REMINDERS: Students who have taken the application for these two events need to see Ms. Parmar

- **If you are interested in the SWEAT program at Vancouver Art Institute, see Ms. Parmar for application.**
- **Any students interested in RCMP Youth Academy please see Ms. Parmar for more info.**

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

- **Community Leadership in Training** – Are you between the ages of 15 to 22? Want a challenge? Interested, committed, and passionate about human rights and equity issues? Want to be a mentor and be mentored in the process and become a community leader join ICR! See Ms. Roberts for application form – deadline is November 7th, 2006

Leadership opportunities – Shad Valley – 4 weeks residential program – every July. Application deadline is December 11 and January 15th, however a larger percentage of places will be awarded to qualified applicants are received by the December 11 deadline. For more info please see Ms. Roberts or Ms. Parmar.

RONA – Hardware Store has a Open House/Job Fair, on November 8th, 2006 – 9:30am – 1:30 pm and 3 pm – 7 pm, 1160 East 3rd, North Vancouver, bring your resume or you can apply on-line www.careers.rona.ca

Grouse Mountain is also hiring – apply at www.grousemountain.com/careers

Thank you,

Ms. Parmar