



NORKAM SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



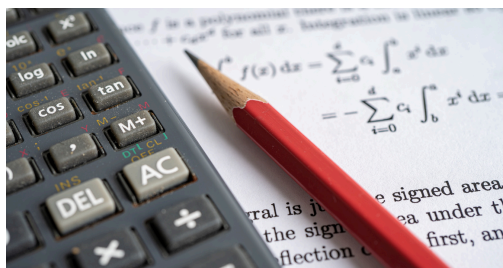
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YEARBOOK SALES

Last call for yearbook orders! April 30th is the final deadline to guarantee getting a 2026 yearbook. Yearbooks cost \$45 and may be preordered online through School Cash or at the office by cash or cheque. We only order a few extra copies, so get your order in by April 30th if you want to guarantee getting a 2026 yearbook.

MATH CONTESTS



Students in grade 9, 10, and 11 wrote the CEMC Fryer, Galois, and Hypatia Math contests April 1 and grade 12 students wrote the CEMC Euclid contest on March 31. There is an upcoming CEMC math contest in May for grade 8 students. If you are interested in writing this contest, see Mr. Boulter in room 201.

The TRU Math Contest (BC Secondary School Math Contest) final round will be written in May at TRU. The following students have been selected to attend:

Jillian Dhaliwal, Sawyer Niedziejko, Clover Yuan, Savreet Randhawa, Cayden Kwok, and Dominic Hyman.

Win popcorn by completing the Math Problem of the Week. Join the “**Math Problem of the Week 2026**” Google Classroom with this code “**wy4x4cxr**” to see the problems and upload your solutions.

SEMESTER 2 SCHOOL FEES

Semester 2 student fees have been posted. Please pay through [School Cash online](#), or by cash/cheque to the office.

GRAD 2026 SCHOLARSHIPS

A reminder to all grads that the scholarships are all open now and there are links to applications on the NorKam website. [CLICK HERE](#) to be redirected to application packages.

Read through the descriptions and due dates carefully.

Need more help?



Plan to attend a scholarship support lunch time session with the counsellors. See you then!

Your Counselling team:
Kelsey Taylor, Katie Friesen, Erin Theunissen, and Deb Collins

IMPORTANT DATES

Parent-Teacher Interview	April 2
Good Friday	April 3
Easter Monday	April 6
Day of Sucwentwécw	April 7
Double Block Day (AA/BB)	April 20
Double Block Day (CC/DD)	April 21
Pro-D (No School)	April 27
Key Club Ride for Cancer	April 30
Artifacts Week	May 11
Victoria Day	May 15

ADMINISTRATION

PRINCIPAL: MRS. R. SDOUTZ
VICE PRINCIPAL: MRS. N. STEWART
VICE PRINCIPAL: MS. A. JENSEN

COUNSELLORS

Mrs. Kelsey Taylor (A-H)
Ms. Katie Friesen (I-Me)
Mrs. Erin Theunissen (Mi-Z)

SECRETARIES

Mrs. Brittany van der Merwe
Mrs. Deanna Kucko
Mrs. Amber Holbrook
Mrs. Valerie Cadoret
Mrs. Deb Collins (COUNSELLING)

OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY—FRIDAY
8:00AM TO 3:45PM

GRAD 2026

SEE LAST PAGE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION
REGARDING GRAD 2026

Lots of New Books! New Books! New Books!

Come into the library and check out our NEW ARRIVALS rack, we are getting dozens of new titles each week thanks to the **NorKam Parents Advisory Committee!** Thanks so much for your support parents! New Manga, teen fiction, fantasy, dystopian, adventure fiction, and many others are appearing on our new arrivals shelves every single day, so come take a look!



- **FOOD AND DRINK ARE ONLY ALLOWED ON THE LARGE BROWN TABLES!**
- **PLEASE PUT RECYCLING AND GARBAGE IN THE CORRECT BINS!**

It's Research Time!

The next time you are researching in the Library, be sure to take a look at the [Library Learning Commons](#) pages! Internet links you need to find information for your classes or for your own personal interest are there, including SD73 DATABASES.

- Follow the link from the NorKam Secondary Home Page or go to:

<http://nkssllibrary.weebly.com/> GO TO THE "RESEARCH" TAB

- Check out *EBSCOhost* and *GALE Virtual Reference Library*, which are university-level research databases you can log into from home:



- Both are pre-screened authoritative resources WITH authors. Include full-text articles from reference books, newspapers, magazines, journals, as well as an image database and all of the citation information a student needs usernames/passwords can be found using:

[Database Login Info](#) link - USE THE DATABASE LOGIN BUTTON

- For EBSCOhost, be sure to use the "off-site login" link on the Learning Commons RESEARCH page or use <http://bit.ly/2OKr8Ce>

Citations/Bibliography: NoodleTools LOGIN!

Students planning on using NoodleTools to create works cited pages, please remember to do the following before you create your Works Cited page:

1. **Go to Google Drive** using your SD73 GEDU account
2. Click to the "waffle" (nine dots) at the top right of the main page
3. Go to the bottom of the list of apps to Noodle Tools
4. Follow the prompts to register your account - **our code is 439214**
5. Once in NoodleTools, create a new project using the **green button** at the top right
6. Go to the "sources" tab and start creating citations by using the green button at the top
7. Once finished, make sure you "**Print/Export to Google Docs**" at the top of the citations page
8. Use a **URL shortener** like **bit.ly** to shorten long URLs (website addresses) if necessary

Budget Consultation

2026-2027

Online Information Session – 2026-2027 Budget Preview
 Monday, April 20, 2026 | 6:30 PM | Online
 Learn more: sd73.bc.ca/budget

The Kamloops-Thompson Board of Education is inviting feedback from you on the 2026-2027 annual budget.

WHAT TO EXPECT

An overview of the 2026-2027 budget priorities that will go before the Board for initial approval on April 27, 2026, followed by information on how to provide further feedback.

GRAD UPDATES

2026

Class of

INFORMATION

- NorKam's 2026 Graduation Commencement Ceremony will take place on **Tuesday, June 16th 2026**, at the Sandman Centre. There will be a mandatory rehearsal for grads in the afternoon blocks of the 16th. Students will be bused to and from the Sandman Centre.
- We have a number of updates for scholarships and bursaries that are coming up for Grad 2026. [CLICK HERE](#) to be redirected to application packages.
- GRAD FEES DUE: All school fees must be paid PRIOR to the commencement ceremony. Payment can be made through school cash online or by cash or cheque to the main office.

BABY PHOTOS

- We are still waiting for a number of Grad baby photos at the office. Please select ONE photo between newborn to grade six. Email to norkam-sec-office@sd73.bc.ca with the subject line: "**Baby Photo (Student Name)**"

SAFE GRAD *A Parent Organized Committee*

Bottle Drive Sunday April 12 @ 11:00am (Batchelor Heights area)

Last Meat Draw Fundraiser Saturday April 25 (2:00pm-5:00pm)

KIA CAR WASH Saturday May 9th (Times TBA)

TICKETS FOR SAFE GRAD DINNER AND DANCE

TICKETS:

Early bird - \$130. APRIL 10 -MAY 9th

Regular price - \$155. MAY 10 - JUNE 1 (Final day of sales June 1st)

****Tickets must be purchased online at Eventbrite****

QR codes and links will be available on the grad board and Facebook page



Stay Connected

CLICK HERE TO VISIT OUR GRAD PAGE ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

CONTACT THE PARENT GRAD COMMITTEE AT:



Norkamsafegrad@gmail.com



[Norkam Safe Grad 2026](#)