



November 2025 Newsletter

Student Fees



Athletic and academic fees are uploaded in SchoolCash. You can paid Cash, Cheque, or online via SchoolCash. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Paying through SchoolCash online:
[https:// sd73.schoolcashionline.com/](https://sd73.schoolcashionline.com/)

Why Use SchoolCash Online?

- Convenient: Make secure payments 24/7 from the comfort of your home.
- Easy To Use: Online shopping with various payment methods
- Safe: Your child won't be carrying cash or cheques to and from school
- Saves Time: Manage your school expenses and view payment history in one place
- One Account: You can manage the fees for up to 8 students at 8 different SD73 school through one account.

Starting September 2025 individual student fees (enhancement fees for field trips and athletics for example) will include a processing fee for all payment transactions using online payment options. This processing fee, which was approved by the Board after the budget consultation process last spring, represents actual costs the Board incurs for using online fee payment services. Cash and cheque payments will not incur this processing fee. We recognize that fee increases can be challenging for families. School District 73 is committed to ensuring that no student is excluded from an educational program or activity or extracurricular activity because of financial need as outlined in the District's Administrative Procedure 506: Student Financial Assistance.

Important Dates

U of C Indigenous Visit 2-3.....	Nov 03
Take Our Kids to Work Day.....	Nov 05
End Term #1.....	Nov 07
TRU Recruitment Fair; Indigenous Students (Gr 11/12) in Lib. 1:30-2:45.....	Nov 07
Remembrance Day Ceremony.....	Nov 10
Term #2.....	Nov 10
Remembrance Day-No School.....	Nov 11
Mosaic #3.....	Nov 13
U of Alberta Visit 1:15-2:15.....	Nov 19
Report Cards Published.....	Nov 21
District Careers Prog. Presentation for Gr. 9-12 (C&D).....	Nov 21
Non-Instructional Day.....	Dec 01
Mosaic #4.....	Dec 15

Administration

Principal: Mr. J. Brady

Vice Principal: Ms. K. Dolha

Vice Principal: Ms. C. Waage

Office Hours

Monday — Friday, 8:00am to 4:00pm

250-374-0861

Remembrance Day Ceremony

Our Remembrance Day Ceremony will be held on November 10.

Our students have been working hard to prepare the ceremony for staff, students, and guests. If you would like to join us, ceremonies will be held in the gym at 10:15 am.



Report Cards

Report cards are fast approaching! If you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress, please reach out to the classroom teachers as soon as possible. You can expect to see report cards published to the MyEd portal on November 21. If you need assistance accessing MyEd, see this [LINK](#).

Verification Forms

If you haven't done so already, please remember to sign and return your student's verification forms that were sent home in September.

These are important to ensure that your student's information is current and up to date.

If you haven't received one, please connect with your student or call the school.

Counselling News

Post-Secondary Visits

Monday, November 3

Who:- University of Calgary Indigenous Visit

Where:- Sa-Hali Library

When:- 2:00pm—3:00pm

Friday, November 7

Who:- TRU Recruitment Fair; Indigenous Students (Gr 11 & 12)

Where:- Sa-Hali Library

When:- 1:30pm—2:45pm

Student Services

Office is open from Monday to Friday
8:00am to 3:30pm.

If students need assistance from their counsellor, please refer to the following list:

Ms C. Keltie: Grade 8 -12 (A-K)

Ms. S. Mayoh: Grade 8-12 (L-Z)

Ms. J. Douglas: R & H Ministry
Designations, TNT, WEX, Recognition,
Scholarships & Bursaries

Student Transcripts

It is highly recommended that the Grade 12 students sign up for the Student Transcript Service (STS), especially if they are considering applying to post secondary opportunities for the 2025-2026 year. The transcripts are considered "interim" transcripts (in progress) throughout the school year and while you may receive "conditional acceptance" from various post secondary schools, they will expect that the final transcript is sent in July. Note: schools are **closed** in July.

To access the STS, go to the following link,

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/transcripts-and-certificates>

Once you get to the site, click on "Current student" and scroll down to the bottom of the page to set up your BCeID account, then you use the BCeID account information to log in to the STS. From there, you can send your transcript to the institution of your choice, even if you haven't sent your application yet.

Take Our Kids to Work Day

Take Our Kids To Work is an annual national program in which **grade 9** students are hosted by parents, friends, relatives and volunteers at **workplaces** across the country every November. The event this year will take place on **Wednesday, November 5th, 2025**.

Please complete the [consent form](#) and have your child give it to their School Trades and Transition Coordinator at your secondary school if they would like to participate in this cross-Canada community event.

For more information, please visit the SD73 Trades and Transitions [website](#)

Sa-Hali Secondary District Careers Program Presentation, November 21, 2025 (CDAB)

A presentation to all Grade 9 - 12 students by the District Trades and Transition Coordinators and Community Partners, such as TRU Future Students, TRU Trades, RCMP liaison, and local business representatives supporting events (Heavy Metal Rocks, Jr Crew Fire) will be held at Sa-Hali Secondary on November 21, 2025 during first and second block.

December 2025 Discovery Day Opportunities:

Explore hairstyling at the La Bella Saints Salon at NorKam Secondary School. Tour the salon, shadow current hairstyling students, and get a hands-on experience in hairstyling.

Hosted by La Bella Saints Salon

Date: December 4, 2025

Location: NorKam Secondary School, 7:30 12th St

[Applications](#) are due to Mrs. Douglas in the Counselling Office by **November 19, 2025**

Spend the day learning about career pathways in engineering at Molycop. Tour the facility, hear from various engineers in their field, tackle a real-world problem, and have fun completing a hands-on activity with like-minded peers!

Hosted by Molycop.

Date: December 5, 2025

Location: Molycop, 250 Andover Cres

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Trades & Transition (TNT)

Students who are interested in learning more about the Trades & Transition (TNT) opportunities in our school district can contact

Mrs. Joanna Douglas, Sa-Hali Secondary TNT Coordinator, by phone or email.

You can also visit the TNT website at <https://tnt.sd73.bc.ca/en/index.aspx#>

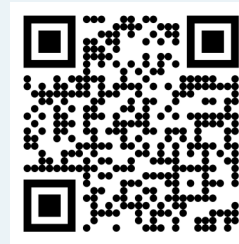
for more information about the programs.

Peer Tutoring

Our Peer Tutoring Program is back!

With the removal of the Connections block, the program looks a little different this year. Posters around the school include QR codes that students can scan to request help. The form allows students to indicate the subject they need support in and choose either drop-in tutoring (Wednesdays at lunch) or a scheduled session with a specific tutor. All tutoring sessions will take place at school—before school, at lunch, or after school—whichever works best for those involved. And then have the QR code.

PEER TUTORING
QR CODE



Sa-Hali Swag

Is your student interested in buying Sa-Hali school clothing?
If so, they can look and order [here](#).

Deadline is November 10, 2025.



How Secure Are Our Students' Passwords?

Passwords safeguard sensitive data like addresses, phone numbers, and financial details. In order to prevent identity theft, it's important make sure passwords are strong. Weak passwords can lead to unauthorized access and identity theft. This includes nefarious actions on chromebooks, so it's important to safeguard educational resources. Students with compromised passwords can lose their school work including access to their GEDU, their MyED information or use of chromebooks.

Some information on creating strong passwords:

- Use a combination of upper and lower case letters, numbers and symbols
- “St@r7r3KNG*” is much stronger than “startrekng”
- Avoid using personal information
- Sahali2* is not a good password sd493029 is not a good password

Try to use multiple passwords:

- At minimum
- A password for personal use (personal email, nobody knows)
- A password for school/work (some might know)
- A password for gaming/streaming/etc (sites get hacked and many will know)
- Students can change their own password at: <https://password.sd73.bc.ca>
- This will change their GEDU, Email and Wifi password
- MyED passwords are changed in MyED
- @KOOL password are changed in BrightSpace
- Changing a password in Google only works for GEDU and not email or WiFi
- Linux passwords are changed on Linux Desktop

GSA Club

The GSA is excited to announce the second Purdy's Christmas Chocolate Fundraiser, running from November 3rd to November 21st. This delicious initiative is the perfect way to get into the holiday spirit while supporting meaningful causes. Half of all proceeds raised will go directly to the GSA to help fund future events, awareness campaigns, and inclusivity projects within our school community. The remaining half will be donated to a local charity in Kamloops, ensuring that your purchase spreads warmth and kindness beyond our walls. Students, staff, and families can order their favourite Purdy's treats through the online fundraising link: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1658722-130393>, making it easy to browse and buy from the comfort of home. You can also browse the catalogue [here](#).

For those who prefer to purchase in person, GSA members will also be selling chocolates during long break and lunch periods on selected days, as advertised throughout the school. This is a great opportunity to stock up on festive gifts, share a sweet moment with someone special, or simply treat yourself—all while giving back to causes that matter. If you have any questions or would like to place an order directly, please contact Nichelle Penney at npenney@sd73.bc.ca. Every box sold helps build a stronger, more caring community. Don't miss your chance to participate in this year's GSA Purdy's Fundraiser—treat yourself, support others, and taste the joy of the season!



[New QuitNow Vaping Prevention Resource](#)

[QuitNow](#) has launched a new [youth-focused resource](#) designed to support vaping prevention and promote healthier alternatives. This resource helps youth explore the reasons behind vaping and offers:

- Free support services tailored to young people
- Practical coping tools
- Connections to population-specific community organizations for additional support

A [printable version](#) featuring QR codes is available for easy sharing in schools and youth spaces.

Additionally, QuitNow offers free presentations on their smoking and vaping prevention and cessation services. This includes one-on-one phone coaching, live chat support, and a wide range of educational resources. To learn more, please contact Beth Clark, Manager of Behavioural Coaching and Outreach at QuitNow, via email at clark@bclung.ca.

Parent Engagement Session

The district offers many parent engagement sessions. Click [here](#) to see what is available.

Attendance

STUDENT SAFE ARRIVAL

Parents no longer leave a message on their school's answering machine/Safe Arrival line. Our new system handles the majority of parent contact (including phone calls) when a student absence is unexpected. This also allows parents to interact directly with the system in the following ways:

- by phone when the system calls you or when you want to initiate a call to notify that your child will be absent
- by internet through a login controlled web page interface
- by a Smart phone app (iOS and Android version; both available for free)

In the preferences on the SchoolMessenger App, parents can select the style of message that they wish to receive for certain school messages. For example, parents may wish to receive a text message for a morning call (Safe Arrival) instead of a phone call.

All parents are asked to please report student absences **before 8:30 am** on the day of the absence (you can also report absences in advance, if they are known).

To report an absence you may choose to:

- ◆ call the toll free # 1-844-350-2647 or
- ◆ access the following website: <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca> or
- ◆ download School Messenger app from [Google Play](#) or [Apple's App Store](#)



SA-HALI IS A SCENT CONSIDERATE SCHOOL

Many students and adults are allergic to personal hygiene items, such as cosmetics, perfumes, colognes, creams, deodorants, shampoos, conditioners, hair spray and soaps.

Please see the policy [here](#) so that all employees, students, and visitors have a safe environment at Sa-Hali Secondary.

We share the air, go scent free!

SA-HALI SECONDARY SCHOOL CALENDAR 2025-2026

*This is a dynamic document and subject to change

DATE		DAY
SEPTEMBER		
1	Labour Day	X
2	Term #1/Mosaic 1/Orientation Day	1
3		1
4		2
5	Grade-Wide Meetings	3
8		4
9	Photo Day	1
10		2
11		3
12	Terry Fox Run/BBQ	4
15		1
16		2
17		3
18		4
19		1
22	Non-Instructional	X
23		2
24		3
25		4
26		1
29	Orange Shirt Day	2
30	Truth and Reconcil'n Day	X
OCTOBER		
1	Post-Sec visit @ HGED 6-8pm	3
2		4
3		1
6		2
7	Mosaic #2	3
8		4
9		1
10		2
13	Thanksgiving	X
14		3
15		4
16	Parent/Teacher Convo (Early Dismissal)	1
17		2
20		3
21		4
22		1
23	Photo Retake Day/ U of Calgary visit 8:30-9:30	2
24	Non-Instructional	X
27		3
28		4
29		1
30		2
31		3
NOVEMBER		
3	U of Calgary Indigenous Recruiter visit 2-3	4
4		2
5		3
6	TRU 1 on 1 appt	1
7	Indigenous Veteran's Day/End Term #1	2
10	Term #2/Mosaic #3/Remembrance Day Assemblies	3
11	Remembrance Day	X
12		4
13		1
14		2

17	Louis Riel Day	3
18		4
19	U of Alberta visit 1:15-2:15	1
20		2
21	Report Cards	3
24		4
25		1
26		2
27	I/E Meetings	3
28		4
DECEMBER		
1	Non-Instructional	X
2		1
3		2
4		3
5		4
8		1
9		2
10		3
11		4
12		1
15	Mosaic #4	2
16		3
17		4
18		1
19	Pancake Breakfast	2
Winter Break Dec 22nd - Jan 2nd		
JANUARY		
3	School Reopens After Break	3
6		4
7		1
8		2
9		3
12		4
13		1
14		2
15	Capstones	3
16		4
19		1
20	Num+Lit Assess./Grad Photos 20-27	2
21	Num+Lit Assess.	3
22		4
23		1
26	Project Completion	X
27	Project Completion END TERM #2	X
28	2 nd Semester Starts TERM #3/Mosaic #5	1
29		2
30		3
FEBRUARY		
2		4
3		1
4	Grade 9 Immunizations	2
5		3
6	Non-Instructional / Report Cards	X
9		4
10		1
11		2
12		3
13		4
16	Family Day	X

17		1
18		2
19		3
20	Semester 1 Awards/Recognition	4
23		1
24	Photo Retakes (24&25)	2
25	Pink Shirt Day	3
26		4
27		1
MARCH		
2	I/E Week	2
3	Mosaic #6	3
4		4
5		1
6		2
9		3
10		4
11		1
12	Parent/Teacher Convo's (Early Dismissal)	2
13		3
Spring Break Mar. 16th - 27th		
30		4
31		1
APRIL		
1		2
2		3
3	Good Friday	X
6	Easter Monday	X
7	Day of Suwewtwecw	4
8		1
9		2
10		3
13		4
14		1
15		2
16		3
17		4
20	End Term #3	1
21	Term #4/ Mosaic #7/ Num+Lit Assess. Double Block	AABB
22	Num+Lit Assess. Double Block	CCDD
23		2
24		3
27	Non-Instructional	X
28		4
29		1
30		2
MAY		
1		3
4	Report Cards	4
5	Red Dress Day	1
6		2
7		3
8		4
11		1
12		2
13		3
14	Moose Hide Day/ I/E Meeting	4
15	Non-Instructional	X
18	Victoria Day	X
19		1

20		2
21		3
22		4
25		1
26	Mosaic #8	2
27		3
28	District Honours Reception	4
29		1
JUNE		
National Indigenous History Month		
1		2
2		3
3		4
4		1
5		2
8		3
9		4
10		1
11	Num+Lit Assess./Catch up Week	2
12	Num+Lit Assess./Catch up Week	3
15	Indigenous Grad	4
16		1
17		2
18	Principal's List Lunch/Athletic Banquet Capstones	3
19	Capstones/National Ind. Peoples Day	4
22	GRAD	1
23	Last Day of Reg. Class	2
24	Project Completion	X
25	Project Completion End Term #4	X
26	Administrative Day Non-Instructional	X

Day 1 – A B C D
 Day 2 – B C D A
 Day 3 – C D A B
 Day 4 – D A B C