

Cowichan Secondary School Career Centre Newsletter

October 2017

The Career Centre is located across the hall from the main office and we are open from 8:45 AM to 3:15 PM. Mrs. Leigh Blacklock is our Career Facilitator, Mrs. Cheryl Martin is our Work Experience Teacher and Mrs. Tanya Leech is our Career Centre Assistant.



- Dual Credit Trade Opportunities - Vancouver Island University & Camosun College
- Apprenticeship Opportunities
- Work Experience Opportunities
- Certificate Training (Foodsafe, etc.)
- Job Search, Job Board, Job Market Trends and Volunteer Opportunities
- National Scholarship Opportunities
- Career Exploration
- Grad Transition Program



PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

The next Youth Health Clinics are on October 2, 23 and 30. A nurse from VIHA is onsite from 10:00-12:30. Appointments can be booked at the Career Center

FOOD SAFE COURSE

We have scheduled a Food Safe course Wednesday, Nov 1, 2017, which will run from 9am-3pm in the P.E Portable. Students have to be at least 15 years of age to take the course. A payment of \$50 must be made when signing up. Please come and sign up at the Career Centre. Please do NOT sign up until you have paid in full.





Post-Secondary Institution visit

On Tuesday, Nov. 21st, representatives from Post-Secondary Institutions around BC are coming to Cowichan Secondary, from 1-3pm. Grade 11 and 12 students will be visiting the mini-fair style information booths with their classes that afternoon. The nine institutions attending this year are: UBC, NWCC, Quest, Camosun, SFU, VIU, UVic, NIC, and CAF-RMC.

Education and Career Fair Field Trip Opportunity

On Thursday, Nov. 23rd, grade 11 and 12's will have the opportunity to travel to Nanaimo to visit the Education and Career Fair at Beban park. We will be taking a bus to the event. Permission slips will be available in the Career Centre in early November.

P.A.R.T.Y

(Prevent Alcohol and Risk-related Trauma in Youth)

The P.A.R.T.Y program is an injury prevention program aimed at teens, to help educate about consequences of poor decision-making in relation to risk-taking behaviours such as: drinking and driving, lack of seat belt use, not wearing a bike helmet, etc. This program will be presented by staff at Cowichan District Hospital on November 7th 2017 (from 9:15 – 12:15). Students will be bussed to and from Cowichan District Hospital. Please encourage students to sign up

Work Experience

If you have a job, let's make it count! Work Experience is a course that allows you to earn school credits while gaining valuable experience in the work

Job Board

Looking for a job, make sure to check out the Job Board located outside the Careers office.

University of Alberta's

Fall visit to Cowichan Secondary

Date: Friday, November 17

Time: 1:00pm – 2:00pm

University of Toronto

Date: Wednesday, November 28

Time: 8:30am in the hall, 9:00am presentation

Dual Credit Programs

ACE-IT

Trades Programs

ACE IT

The Accelerated Credit Enrolment in Industry Training (ACE IT) program is the in-class component of a high school apprenticeship. ACE IT students are Youth Apprentices registered with the Industry Training Authority (ITA).

Camosun College and Vancouver Island University in partnership with School District 79, are offering the following ACE-IT Trades programs:

- Automotive
- Administrative Assistant
- Carpentry
- Culinary Arts
- Early Childhood Education
- Electrical
- Golf Course Management
- Hairdressing
- Heating and Cooling
- Heavy Duty Mechanic
- Health Care Assistant
- Information Technology
- Introduction to Trades
- Joinery/Cabinet making
- Sheet Metal/Metal Fabrication
- Plumbing and Piping
- Trades Apprenticeship
- Exploring Technology
- Welder Level C
- Welder Level C/Pipefitter

These programs are open to Grade 11 and 12 students who can receive their dual credits, meaning University and Secondary School credits on their transcript. There is no tuition cost for these programs, however, you will be responsible to purchase any necessary supplies and books. Students are able to complete Level One or Foundation Technical Training before graduation. Please visit the Career Centre to make an appointment with Mrs. Blacklock or email at iblacklock@sd79.bc.ca

Info for Grads

Grad Transitions:

Grad Transitions is a mandatory component for graduation. Students must complete a Graduation Transition Plan. There are different areas in which they will need to meet a certain requirement such as Daily Physical Activity, Hours of Work or Volunteer, etc. Grade 12's will be given all necessary information about Grad Transition requirements by Mr. Coleman and Ms. Keple in the near future. Stay tuned!



