



# THUNDER NEWS

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As we head into Spring Break, we know that time will go by even more quickly. This is always a busy place, but the time from Spring Break to Year-End is always the busiest. We have a lot going on:

- Course Selection Forms are Coming Soon!!!
- Scholarship application deadline is April 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Excel application deadline is April 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Music Festival – our students performed very well in several categories.
- Basketball teams have come to the end of another successful season, Midget Girls, and Junior and Senior Boys heading to Provincials!
- Rugby teams started their seasons (boys & girls).
- Talent Show was awesome!
- Compassion Week and Pink T-shirt Day were popular events.
- Spring Activity Day is coming soon (Quam Campus, grade 8 & 9 only).
- Thanks again to all the staff and parent volunteers who make all these things happen.
- Family Fun Run. Students, parents & Staff are all invited to walk, jog or run on our CSS team at the TC 10K. Register on our team at [www.tc10k.ca](http://www.tc10k.ca)
- Career & Traces – lots going on – Read more inside.

**STUDENT & PARENT SURVEYS...** If you have students currently in Grades 8, 9 or 10, you should have seen a survey asking if you have a preference for either campus for September 2016. There is a Student Survey and a Parent Survey. As all new Grade 8 students will stay on the Quamichan Campus, and all Grade 12s will be home-based on the James Street Campus in September, those students were not included in this survey. This survey is for information only, to give us a sense of student and parent preferences. It is just a survey, NOT a vote. We hope this information will be helpful as we continue to make adjustments each year to our existing Dual Campus Model. If you have any questions or suggestions, please email Mr. Coleman at [ccoleman@sd79.bc.ca](mailto:ccoleman@sd79.bc.ca), or come out to our next PAC Meeting on Wednesday, March 9th at 7PM.

If you have any questions or concerns about any of this, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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CSS School Swag!  
See order form on the  
last page!!

## COURSE SELECTION PROCESS

Watch for an email coming soon with the links to our website for the updated Course Request Books for 2016-2017. We will be holding assemblies and class visits over the next couple of weeks to let the students know about all their options for courses & programs for next year. **We have a lot of new options for students to consider.** This is in addition to the amazing variety of courses we already offer. We wanted to take a little more time to explain all of these options to students first. The actual course request process will take place after Spring Break.

## ATTENDANCE COUNTS!

**Attendance counts!** One thing that is very clear to us as we monitor student progress is that good attendance really makes a difference. Students with consistent attendance tend to have better grades and more credits for graduation. Students who miss a lot of school days tend to have lower marks and fewer course completions. We will be paying extra close attention to students who have a record of poor attendance. This should not come as a surprise, but it is worth repeating: **You need to be in class to pass!**

## PARENT-TEACHER-STUDENT CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for **Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**. If you are unable to attend, please feel free to contact teachers directly by phone or email. (*email addresses on the back of this newsletter*)

## SCHOLARSHIPS

Deadline for local scholarships is **Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 3 pm**. Please encourage your child to check the bulletin boards inside and outside the Career Centre. Also check our website at <http://css.sd79.bc.ca> National scholarships are posted in the Career Centre Monthly Newsletter, page 2. Check it out and stay informed!  
There are new scholarships posted regularly in the Career Centre. Please encourage your student to check frequently for these opportunities.

We held a Parent Information Night for Scholarships and Bursaries on Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Every year CSS proudly gives out close to 100 Scholarship and Bursary awards. Each award has its own special criteria. The criteria includes things like marks, skill areas such as trades, the arts, sports, community involvement, place of employment and affiliations. Come help your child receive support in achieving their future goals.

## SATISFACTION SURVEYS

We are asking parents of grade 10 and 12 students to fill out the online Ministry of Education Satisfaction Survey. This survey is also completed by grades 10 & 12 students, and our staff. It allows schools and Districts to evaluate current practices and programs in order to know what's working and what needs improving.

To access the survey, go to [http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\\_survey/access.htm](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm) and click on "Direct Access to Parent Survey". Once on that page, from the drop-down menu select District "079", School "Cowichan Secondary" and click "Login" to begin the survey.

We are requesting that grade 10 and 12 parents complete this survey **by April 30, 2016**. Thank you for your participation.

For more information about the survey, please go to:  
[http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\\_survey/](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/)

## PROVINCIAL EXAM RESULTS

Parents of students who wrote provincial examinations at the end of 1<sup>st</sup> semester saw a school mark only for these courses on the report card. The school mark makes up 80% of the final mark and the provincial examination mark makes up the other 20% in Grade 10 and 11 exam courses. For students in Grade 12 who wrote provincial exams (except First Nations Studies 12), the exam mark has a value of 40% of the final mark. The remaining 60% of the mark is derived from the work completed at school. At the Grade 12 level, only English 12 and Communications 12 are required exams. Students will be able to access their provincial exam results by logging onto <http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams>. Soon students will need their Personal Education Number (PEN) to access their mark(s). Students who do not know their PEN can contact the Counselling Department to receive their number. **RESULTS ARE AVAILABLE NOW!**

NOTE: There may be a difference between school marks and provincial examination marks for individual students. Some students perform better on classroom tests and others on provincial examinations. School assessment measures performance on all curricular outcomes, whereas provincial examinations may evaluate performance on only a sample of these outcomes.

## EXCEL PROGRAM

The Excel Program challenges highly motivated, creative achievers. Students are encouraged to use higher level thinking processes, develop a positive self-concept, work both independently and cooperatively, and develop the confidence to respond orally and in writing with originality and creativity.

The Grade 10 Excel courses offered are English/Social Studies and Math/Science. Grade 11 Excel courses are English/Social Studies and Math/Physics. Students may apply for acceptance into the English/ Social Studies section, the Math/Physics section or both. The Grade 11 students' work may be accelerated to better prepare them for Grade 12.

Applications are due on **April 4<sup>th</sup>**, 2016.

## WHISTLER MOUNTAIN BIKE TRIP

The CSS Mountain Bike Club is holding two meetings to determine if there is enough interest to run a Whistler mountain bike trip in late September 2016. This trip is open to any student currently in grades 8 to 11. This is not a definite go ahead trip meeting, but a sign of interest to see if the trip is a possibility. If you are interested in a trip like this, please attend one of the following information meetings: Tuesday, March 8, 11:50 am at Quamichan in room 209, or Thursday, March 10, 11:50 am at CSS in room 205. Mr. Whittington, Mr. Cutt and Mr. Hillyard



## PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

All parents of Cowichan Secondary School students (Grade 8-12) are automatically members of the Parent Advisory Council and are encouraged to attend.

### 2015-16 PAC Executive:

Chair: Sara Lowe

Vice-Chair: Caroline Kirman (DPAC Rep)

Treasurer: Mary Noakes

Secretary: Sandi Urquhart

CSS PAC is always looking for new regulars to come out to the meetings. Meetings are once a month, usually on the second Wednesday of each month. Cowichan Secondary School PAC is NOT a fundraising PAC. Primarily we are here to help distribute funds allotted to the school, and help facilitate and enhance student opportunities, school needs and activities, in a fair & democratic but simple way. Please consider joining our next PAC Meeting. **Next meeting** will be **Mar 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016** followed by: April 13<sup>th</sup>, May 11<sup>th</sup>, and June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

CSS PAC Email is [csspac@sd79.bc.ca](mailto:csspac@sd79.bc.ca)

CSS PAC Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/mtppac/> (or Search for "Cowichan Secondary School – PAC")

CSS PAC Page: <http://css.sd79.bc.ca/index.php/parent-advisory-council>

PAC meetings and Social Media pages, help us know what is going on at school.... because our kids may no longer tell us! Which means...This is a group to share events, news, ideas and school docs, ask stuff, etc... We help support gaming applications by fundraising groups at the school, learn from presentations and about opportunities for travel and learning for the students, occasionally start committees where there is a need and put the word out for volunteer opportunities within the school community.

## DRY GRAD COMMITTEE

### CSS DRY GRAD 2016 NEWS

WINE and BEER, BEER and WINE.... Need some???

Until March 31 the Support Dry Grad Campaign is on at participating BC Liquor Stores. All donations collected will help fund alcohol – free events and activities for our grads. Each BC Liquor Store gives a small token of appreciation to customers who contribute \$1 or more to the campaign. So for the month of March we hope you will purchase your drink of choice at the BC Liquor stores and support Grad 2016.

Hoodies and Subway cards are still on sale at CSS on Wednesdays.

Thrifty grocery cards are still available. Contact Lisa Margerison at [marger5@telus.net](mailto:marger5@telus.net) it's so easy to load them and each time you do a portion is passed on to the Dry Grad Committee. JUST DO IT!!!!

### New for April. Get out the calendar and enter the following dates:

**Burger and Beer, April 10<sup>th</sup> at Just Jakes** - details to follow

**Burgers at Mr. Mikes fundraiser, April 23<sup>rd</sup>** – details to follow

**Food fundraisers coming up will be; Moos pizza, Cheers Chicken and BC Meats**

The next Dry Grad meeting is March 7<sup>th</sup> in the CSS Library come out and be involved.

Remember too that if you are a Grad parent and are too busy to volunteer for the various events you can still contribute. We are always looking for prizes to add to silent auctions, prizes for the Dry Grad event and any financial support is always appreciated. The Grads benefit and so will you knowing you were able to find a way to participate. Just email [cssdrygrad@gmail.com](mailto:cssdrygrad@gmail.com)

All information can be found or requested through:

[cssdrygrad@gmail.com](mailto:cssdrygrad@gmail.com), Join/Like and Share the "Cowichan Secondary Dry Grad 2016" FB Page

(<https://www.facebook.com/cssdrygrad> ) and FB Group "Cowichan Secondary Dry Grad 2015 Group"

(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/cssdrygrad/> ) Follow us: Twitter [@cssdrygrad](https://twitter.com/cssdrygrad) Instagram [@cssdrygrad](https://www.instagram.com/cssdrygrad)

We feel so supported,

CSS Dry Grad 2016 Committee

## T-BIRD ATHLETICS UPDATE

**Quamichan Lunchtime Intra-Murals:** Quamichan Hockey League has wrapped up. Indoor Field Hockey is next.

**Jr. & Sr. Girls Rugby: (Brad Skene/Alanna Skene/Scott Jackson)** – Hosting Jr. Sr. Girls tournament at James St. Regular season starts first week of March. They will be travelling to Mark Isfeld School.

**Jr. & Sr. Boys Rugby: (Tom Fogarty)** - Boys rugby is just getting underway and we are still looking for new players. Training is on Monday and Wednesday from 3.30 to 5.00. League games will begin after Spring break and the boys are excited to put on the Cowichan colours and play some rugby!

**Senior Boys Basketball: (Tyler Ralphs/Lucky Walia)** – Senior Boys won the North Island League, won the North Island Tournament, finished second at the Island Tournament. We are off to Provincials on March 8.

**Junior Boys Basketball: (Graham Scargall/Lucky Walia)** – Junior Boys qualified for the Island Championship Tournament, winning two games, and losing two games to finish in 7th place.

**Grade 8 Boys' Basketball: (Lucky Walia)** – The boys won the CVIAA league tournament.

**Senior Girls' Basketball: (Michelle Kerkerich /Danielle Kornet)** – The girls enjoyed a competitive season and had fun.

**Jr. Girls Basketball: (James Cutt/Jodi Hopwo)** - Congratulations to the junior girls basketball team on a fantastic season, finishing second in the mid-island championship tournament in a nail-biting final. The team showed tremendous growth through the season, and we look forward to seeing all the players again next year. The 2015/16 junior girls BB team: Captain: Emma Dewit; Assistant Captain: Jaz Charles; Julia Cutt, Hannah Geldenhuys, Amanda McKinnon, Julianna McKinnon, Corrie Southall, Mai Yamamoto, Jaime Needham, Madi Jumeau

**Grade 8 Girls' Basketball: (Sandeep Heer)** - Grade 8 girls basketball team is off to the BC's Thursday March 3rd – Saturday - March 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Girls & Boys Wrestling: (Nic Zubak)** - Team is training Monday and Wednesday nights through the CV Wrestling club.

**Rock Climbing Club: (Trevor Prest/Mark Whitney)** – On going after-school climbing Tuesday & Fridays.

**Mountain Bike Club (Jesse Whittington/James Cutt/Stu Hillyard)** – See write-up in this newsletter!

## CAREER CENTRE NEWS

The Career Centre is located across the hall from the main office and we are open from 8:45 a.m.—3:15 p.m. Mrs. Blacklock, Career Facilitator, can provide you with information and assistance in the following areas:

- Apprenticeship Opportunities
- Dual Credit Opportunities in partnership with VIU and Camosun College (SEE LIST BELOW)
- Work Experience Opportunities
- Certificate Training (Foodsafe etc.)
- Job Search, including Resume & Cover Letters
- National Scholarship Opportunities
- Career Exploration
- Grad Transition Program

Watch for our monthly Career Centre Newsletter– loads of good information .... Keep informed.

### **ACE-IT-DUAL CREDIT Trades Programs**

Are you interested in any of the Camosun College or VIU ACE-IT Dual Credit Trade programs??

Automotive -Administrative Assistant-Business Access-Carpentry-Culinary Arts-Electrical-Golf Course Management-Hairdressing-Heating & Cooling-Heavy Duty Mechanic-Health Care Assistant-Horticulture Technician-Information Technology-Introduction to Trades-Joinery/Cabinet Making-Sheet Metal/Metal Fabrication-Plumbing & Piping-Trades –Apprenticeship-Exploring Technology-Welder LevelC.

Please come to the Career Centre to find out more about these exciting opportunities in TRADES!!!!

### **Find Your Fit Tour**

The WorkBC Find Your Fit Tour is an interactive student based event taking place at Cowichan Secondary School - Quamichan Campus on March 3, 2016 from 9:00am-3:15pm for grade 8 and 9 students and from 3:30pm - 7:00pm for all other students and parents. The event allows students to jump right in and try the skills they'll need for different in careers in demand across BC. Interactive activity stations including welding, carpentry, accounting, and more will help students apply real life experiences to their career planning. Students will also be able to connect with WorkBC's labour market information, tools and services. Parents are also welcome to attend the event, as they look for ways to educate and support their children in their career exploration. Find Your Fit is part of the provincial government's B.C.'s Skills for Jobs Blueprint commitment to re-engineer education and deliver the skilled workforce B.C.'s growing economy needs.

**Drop in and explore the program and discover how to 'find your fit' for a career!**

## **SKILLS CANADA**

We have 35 students competing in the Skills Canada Regional Competition this month. Some of the areas in which they are competing are Automotive Service, Welding, Carpentry, Cabinet Making, and Electrical Wiring. We even have some Junior teams competing in Gravity Vehicle Race, Spaghetti Bridge Building and Sumo Robot.

Top placing students will move on to the Provincial Competition in Abbotsford. Stay tuned for updates.

## **GRAD TRANSITION**

The next Grad Transition Conversation date is **April 14<sup>th</sup> for students with last name beginning with E-G, S, T**

Graduation Transition is a 4-credit requirement that must be completed in order for a student to graduate. No mark is assigned.

Students will receive an RM (requirements met) upon completion. For more information contact the Career Centre. You can also check out the Ministry of Education website:

<http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/graduation/grad-transitions/>

## **GRAD TRANSITION CONVERSATION DATES**

- Last Name starting with **E-G, S, T**: April 14<sup>th</sup>
- Last Name starting with **H-K, U-Z**: May 5<sup>th</sup>

Please encourage your son or daughter to complete this required process. They cannot grad without it!

## **DAILY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY**

Grade 11 students should have picked up and filled out a DPA log sheet from the careers/counselling office. It should be handed in to in the Career Centre assistant. If students were taking a PE 11/12, Personal Fitness 11/12, Dance Class, or played on a school team or a community team in semester 1 then they should have had their forms signed by their teacher or coach. If students didn't take part in any of the above classes or school/community teams, then students need to have filled out the back side of the form – indicating what activities they did on their own throughout the semester. A parent signature to validate is appreciated.

Grade 12 students would have received their semester 1 & 2 DPA forms as part of their Grad Transitions Package. Students are responsible for filling both of these in and getting them checked off in the Career Centre.

## **LEADERSHIP**

A big thank you goes to Justin Young for organizing the Talent Show! Justin put together a great team of performers and crew - the night was a memorable one! Thanks to everyone who came to help, perform, or be a member of the audience.

We would also like to thank the Cowichan Green Community for planning a joint Anti-Bullying (Pink) Day with us. Leadership students and Green Community staff held games, face painting and more - along with cake for all - in Kin Park next to the school during lunch on pink day. We appreciate everyone who came and took part in the activities!

We are just finishing up Compassion Week. Monday was School Spirit Day, and members of our class even made the newspaper showing off our school colours. Tuesday was diversity/multicultural day, and thanks go to our International Students for taking part. Wednesday was Pink Day (see above). Thursday was Random Acts of Kindness day, and students committing an R.A.K. witnessed by staff members were entered in a draw to win some Cow High gear. Friday capped off the week with Rainbow Pride day. Thanks to the Leadership students who painted the Pride flag and inspirational messages at our front entrance.

Thank you to Leadership students and the rest of our school for joining in Compassion Week celebrations.

Peggys Round 2 will ramp up after spring break. Stay tuned!

## **GRAD COUNCIL**

(Sponsored by Ms. Blacklock, Ms. Cizeron, Ms. Rowan)

**President:** Charlotte Yarnold

**Vice President:** Merryam Rizk

**Secretary:** Liam Caljouw

**Treasurer:** Nirmal Hayer

**Communicators:** Antonio Biello and Kristina Biello

**Decorators:** Sarah Bombardir and Olivia Blackwell

As spring is quickly approaching, Grad Council is getting busier than ever! Grads can look forward to more themed days and fundraisers in the month to come. The next big event coming up is the Grad Fashion Show on Thursday, April 14th. Come out to support the grads of 2016; everyone is welcome! Stay tuned for more details to come.

## YEARBOOK



Sales are progressing rapidly; take advantage of the price break now because after Spring Break the price increases to \$55.00. We make the final order at that time; we always order a few more copies than we need to fill the pre-orders however there will be limited amounts so don't wait.

## BAND

Congratulations to all Cowichan Secondary Band members for their amazing and emotional performance at the Cowichan Music Festival. It always feels great to shred!

Cowichan Band students are gearing up for their performance tour of Portland in May and for their eco-concert series in this spring.

Band students are currently selling chocolate and coupon books to support their upcoming trips and extra curriculars.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

With the nicer weather coming we anticipate spending time outdoors: dress appropriately for the weather and with reasonable shoes for walking. Please remember to bring your own SD storage card if you are using a school camera in class time. At this point you must have your own camera device, as discussed in class or your own SD card to keep track of your own work.

Thank-you for your generous donations of cameras and camera equipment. We welcome any and all film and digital cameras and equipment - you can leave it at the front office, please.



## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



### HOST FAMILY OPPORTUNITES

The Cowichan Valley School District's International Student Program is looking for families who would like to host a student. We have long term and short term, winter, spring and summer hosting opportunities. Criminal record checks are required for all adults (18 years and older) residing in your home.

#### To be a host family, you must:

- Be willing to provide emotional, social and academic support
- Be open to new cultural experiences
- Integrate your student into your family life and share activities together
- Have transportation and the ability to pick up students occasionally
- Provide a private bedroom with a desk, dresser and closet
- Provide healthy meals and snacks

Families are paid \$200 per week/\$800 per month. To find out more about our program email me, call our office or visit our website at <http://isp.sd79.bc.ca/apply-now/homestay/>.

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## COW HIGH CAFE



### **Cow High Café** **YES - WE TAKE DEBIT!!!**

Come get comfy and chill in our cafe. Play some Foosball or air hockey...

**Daily fresh baked muffins, scones, cinny buns & more!!!**

Hot chocolate, French vanilla or English toffee cappuccinos!!

**We offer daily BREAKFAST AND LUNCH SPECIALS!**

Breakfast \$4.00 includes small coffee.

Huge Lunch special only \$5.75 every day!

Daily soup and a bun \$3.50.

Homemade soup and sandwich \$5.50

Tax included!!!

Plus...we have full breakfast and lunch **menus** to choose from!

Beef taco and Chicken Caesar wraps are the best in town!!!

**COME CHECK US OUT – YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU DID.**

Check posters/boards in the school (or in the Cafe) for daily info!!

Come on in and buy your food card.. **\$20.00 gets \$22.00** worth of delicious food. 50.00 gets you \$60.00 in food!

## STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

School District #79 (Cowichan Valley) Board of Education does not provide accident insurance coverage for student injuries that occur on school premises or during school activities. Participation in this program is voluntary and the costs are to be paid by the parent or guardian.

If you wish to subscribe on-line, the web page is [www.insuremykids.com](http://www.insuremykids.com) Or call 1-800463-KIDS (5437)



## CONTACTING THE SCHOOL

Parents may make arrangements to meet with or contact a teacher or administrator in a variety of ways. Often the best way is to email us. See Staff Email List at the end of this **newsletter**.

In person:                      During office hours: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

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### Web Site

<http://css.sd79.bc.ca>

If you have any questions about your child, it is always best to contact the Advisor or individual teachers directly. In addition, please feel free to contact an administrator or counselor at either campus.

### Staff Email List – Dual Campus

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## COWICHAN SECONDARY SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015 – 2016

### March

2	Wednesday	Block Rotation - CDAB
2	Wednesday	Scholarship Information Night
3	Thursday	Find Your Fit Tour
7	Monday	Dry Grad Meeting, 7pm
9	Wednesday	PAC 7pm
11	Friday	Last day of classes before School closure
14-18	Mon-Fri	School Closure
21-24	Mon-Fri	Spring Break
25	Friday	Good Friday
28	Monday	Easter Monday
29	Tuesday	Spring Break
30	Wednesday	First Day back after Spring Break

### April

4	Monday	Excel applications due
4	Monday	Deadline for local Scholarship, 3pm
7	Thursday	Parent Teacher Conferences – Early Dismissal 1hr
8	Friday	Staff Development Day – No Classes
13	Wednesday	PLC Early Dismissal – 1hr
13	Wednesday	I Day
13	Wednesday	PAC Meeting 7pm
18	Monday	Block Rotation - BADC
22	Friday	Term 3 Ends
27	Wednesday	Half Day Early Dismissal

### May

6	Friday	Pro D Day – No Classes
11	Wednesday	Scholarship Donor Tea – 7pm
11	Wednesday	PAC Meeting 7pm
18	Wednesday	PLC Early Dismissal – 1hr early
18	Wednesday	Quamichan Spring Activity Day
19	Thursday	Block Rotation - DCBA
23	Monday	Victoria Day – No School

### June

1	Wednesday	Scholarships & Bursaries Presentations – 7:00 pm
2	Thursday	Awards Assemblies – Grade 10,11,12 (Daytime)
7	Tuesday	Athletic Banquet
8	Wednesday	PAC Meeting 7pm
9	Thursday	Spring Band Concert
11	Saturday	Grad Banquet (Prom)
16	Thursday	Term 4 Ends
21	Tuesday	Grad Walk Up – 7:00 pm Report Card Pick Up
21-27	Mon-Thur	Provincial Exams

### PROVINCIAL EXAMS 2015-2016 NOTES:

1. Some Provincial Exams take place *AFTER* the last day of school in SD79. Details will come home closer to the time.
2. Major Exam Sessions happen at the end of each semester (January & June).
3. We do not always offer all of the mid-year E-Exam dates. Check with the office.

[Click here for link to BC Ministry of Education Exam Schedule.](#)



## COWICHAN SECONDARY SCHOOL SWAG

Cowichan Secondary School is offering SWAG with the T-Bird logo and name. The following below is what is in stock, please circle what you would like and bring order form to the office. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or debit.

ITEM	COLOUR	SIZE	(Adult	Sizing)		PRICE
Baseball Shirt TBird Logo on side of Shirt	White with Black Sleeves	S	M	L	XL	\$25.00
Short Sleeve T-Shirts TBird Logo on Side of Shirt	Burgundy with Grey Grey with Grey	S	M	L	XL	\$25.00
TBird Boot Bags	Burgundy and White					\$10.00
TBird Scarves with pockets TBird on Right side of scarf pocket	Grey with Burgundy					\$15.00
TBird Shaker Bottles	Clear with Black Lid					\$10.00
TBird Water Bottles	Grey with White					\$5.00
Lanyards – New Logo	Burgundy and White					\$5.00
Lanyards – Retro (Old Logos)	Burgundy and White Burgundy and Grey					\$2.50

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student Number \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

James St. Campus

Quamichan Campus

Payment Enclosed:  cash  cheque  debit

Total Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_



## COWICHAN SECONDARY SCHOOL ATHLETIC WEAR

Cowichan Secondary School is offering athletic wear with the T-Bird logo and name. *We require a pre-order and full pre-payment **before** we place an order. We will accept **completed order forms** and payment until **March 11, 2016**. Please bring order form and payment to the Main Office.*

*Please complete this form by **circling the desired item(s), colour and size**. We accept cash, cheque or (debit if you are at James St. Campus). Please make cheque payable to **Cowichan Secondary School**.*

ITEM	COLOUR	SIZE	(Adult Sizing)	PRICE
Sweat Pants with elastic cuff (Russell unisex) (No logo on butt – small logo on front L leg)	Black Grey Burgundy White	YL S	M L XL	\$50.00
Sweat Pants with elastic cuff (Russell unisex) (with T-Bird Logo on butt)	Black Grey Burgundy White	YL S	M L XL	\$50.00
Hooded Sweatshirt (Russell brand) (Logo on back)	Black Grey Burgundy White	YL S	M L XL	\$50.00
Full Zip Hoodie (T-Bird Logo on Back) (Russell brand)	Black Grey White	YL S	M L XL	\$50.00
Hooded Sweatshirt (T-Bird Logo Embroidered on Back) (Roots brand) (Men's Sizes)	Black Grey	S	M L XL	\$75.00
Hooded Sweatshirt (T-Bird Logo Embroidered on Back) (Roots brand) (Ladies Sizes)	Black Grey	S	M L XL	\$75.00
Full Zip Hoodie (T-Bird Logo Embroidered on Back) (Roots) (Men's Sizes)	Black Grey	S	M L XL	\$85.00
Full Zip Hoodie (T-Bird Logo Embroidered on Back) (Roots) (Ladies Sizes)	Black Grey	S	M L XL	\$85.00
Long Sleeve T-shirts (T-Birds on Right Sleeve)	Black Grey White Burgundy	S	M L XL	\$25.00

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