

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA PROVINCIAL SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

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BCSD February Newsletter

Dear BCSD Families/Guardians,

It's amazing how fast the year is flying by, and March is just around the corner! As we look back on the past months, we've witnessed so many moments of growth, curiosity, and achievement from our students. We want to share some updates and events to keep you connected to all the learning and excitement happening at school.

Course Selection Night

Thank you for joining our Zoom session on January 29th to discuss students' course selections. We hope you and your child have had an opportunity to review and talk about the courses they would like to take in the fall.

Final class schedules for the fall will be provided to students before the school year ends in June.

Bookmark Contest Winner

Congratulations to **Dara Adewale** for being selected as our Bookmark Contest winner! His creative design stood out and will be shared with our school community. We are proud of his hard work and artistic talent.



BRAVO, Dara!



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Deaf Seniors Event

On February 18th, the Leadership class hosted a special event for Deaf Seniors. They participated in a variety of games and crafts, enjoyed a provided lunch, and explored the students' science projects. The seniors enjoyed the day so much that they expressed a desire for this to become an **annual event!** It was a wonderful opportunity for students and seniors to connect, have fun, and celebrate learning together.



Science Teacher

We are thrilled to announce that BCSD has found the science teacher, **Edgar Fuller Altamirano** to join us starting Feb 19th through the end of June! Our students will benefit from having a stable and dedicated teacher in the classroom. He's excited to be part of our BCSD team!

Science Project

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Judy, our TOC, for her dedication in inspiring and encouraging students to participate in the science project. Her guidance helped students explore their creativity, apply critical thinking, and develop teamwork skills throughout the project.

The students were proud to showcase their work, sharing their experiments and findings with peers, staff and Deaf Seniors. To celebrate their hard work and effort, they enjoyed donuts as a special treat, a small reward for their big achievements!

A big thank you to Judy for making this learning experience engaging, memorable, and motivating for our students.

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Youth Canada Tournament of the Deaf (YCTD)

We are pleased to share that BCSD Secondary will be hosting the Youth Canada Tournament of the Deaf (YCTD) from **May 2–6, 2027**. YCTD is a national event that brings together Deaf students from provincial high schools and Deaf programs across Canada to celebrate Deaf culture, language, and traditions.

This event provides students with a meaningful opportunity to connect with peers from across the country while participating in a wide range of educational and community-building activities. It is a wonderful opportunity for our students to be part of this unique experience.

We will keep you updated with more details as they become available!

MyEdBC is an online system that allows **students and parents** to access important school information. Through MyEdBC, you can:

- See your child's **attendance and grades**
- Check **class schedules** and course information
- Access **report cards and progress reports**
- Update some **contact information**

It's a convenient way to stay connected with your child's learning and school updates. To access MyEdBC, reset your password, or request a new account, click here: [MyEdBC Login](#)

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BCSD/Burnaby South School Leaving Ceremony – Important Information

The School Leaving Ceremony for BCSD/Burnaby South will take place on **Wednesday, May 20, 2026**, at **SFU Convocation Mall**.

Grade 12 students who wish to participate must complete the following:

1. **School Activity Fee: \$35**
2. **School Leaving Ceremony Fee: \$105**

Deadline to pay all fees and order your graduation gown: **Friday, March 6, 2026**

All participating students must attend the **rehearsal on Wednesday, May 13, 2026**.

Make sure to meet these requirements to celebrate your graduation with your classmates!

BCSD Ceremony and Awards

We will be hosting a ceremony and awards celebration for our Grade 12 students and their families on **Saturday, June 6 at 2pm** at the **Hilton Vancouver Metrotown (Burnaby)**. More details will be shared closer to the event.

Please mark your calendars and join us for this special occasion as we celebrate the achievements of our graduates!

Here are some important dates for February & March:

- **Feb 27** – Professional Day (school closed)
- **March 8** – Daylight Saving Time
- **March 16-27** – Spring Break (school closed)
- **March 30** – School Resumes
- **April 2** – Send Report Card Home

Thank you for your continued partnership and support!

Sincerely,



Cathy Bennett, M.Ed., Ed.S.
BCSD Principal



Jennifer Zuvic, M.Ed
BCSD Vice-Principal