



# Chronicle

Langley Secondary School

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## Principal's Message

Happy Valentines LSS Community! Semester 2 is off to a good start with additional classes added to meet the needs of the building. February is a busy month with course planning and we had a great showing of parents during our information evening last week. Course Descriptions and selection forms are found on our school website. Please have conversations about course selections as students will be registering online for next year soon. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call the school.

Winter sports are winding down. Thank you to all the coaching staff who support our teams and offer a busy basketball season. We also acknowledge the new sport of curling offered this year as well and look forward to our spring sports including soccer, badminton, track, rugby and golf.

Our musical theatre production of Mean Girls are preparing for their debut and Tickets can be booked online:

<https://sd35.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/56214/111/False/True>

Tickets can also be booked by emailing [lssmeangirls@gmail.com](mailto:lssmeangirls@gmail.com) if the preference is to pay cash at the door.

### Important dates:

7pm Shows Feb 29, March 1, 2, 7, 8, 9

2pm Matinees March 2, 9

March 7, staff and alumni night

Diversity and Respect Week was established by the Langley Board of Education in 2017 as a means "to coincide with Pink Shirt Day in February to promote Awareness, Acceptance, Reconciliation, and Inclusion for all members of the school community." Diversity week takes place this year from Feb 26 – Mar 1<sup>st</sup>.

Diane Smillie, Principal

## Upcoming Events

**February 14 – Sweetheart Day**

**February 16 – Pro D Day** (classes not in session)

**February 19 – Family Day** (school closed)

**February 22 – Grade 12 Movie Night**

**February 26 – March 1 – Diversity & Respect Week**

**February 26 - Design & Assessment Day / Report Card Prep** (Classes not in session)



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## Technology

On Friday, January 26, the Province announced actions to help keep students safe when it comes to using cell phones and digital technology in schools. The District will be working with the Ministry of Education and Child Care on these strategies which are expected to be in place in the new school year. District and school staff will be taking the time to learn more about these changes and understand their impacts on students, staff, and families. You can read more in the news release B.C. launches concrete actions to keep kids safe, healthy here: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2024PREM0004-000088>

Our small gym is taking shape in preparation for the school musical. New theatre curtains have been hung with the lighting and a new sound system. Cushions will be offered for the seating and we look forward to a great production.





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## Free Virtual Sessions for Parents on the Topic of Substance Use

Please share the following in your next communication with families:

The Ministry of Education and Child Care, in partnership with adolescent Clinical Psychologist, Dr. Hayley Watson, will be hosting free virtual sessions on youth substance use for parents/guardians, caregivers and caring adults. Dr. Watson will provide valuable insights, practical tips, and resources to equip participants with the tools needed to guide their children and youth toward making positive choices when it comes to substance use.

Key Takeaways for Participants:

- Learn why children/teenagers are drawn to substances.
- Understand what causes and maintains substance use disorder and needs.
- Increase your child's ability to make positive choices about substances.
- Acquire practical conversation tools for discussing substances in the home.

Participants must register in advance due to limited capacity. Session dates are:

- February 20, 6:00 – 7:30 pm PST - [Click here to Register](#)
- February 22, 6:00 – 7:30 pm PST – [Click here to Register](#)
- February 28, 6:00 – 7:30 pm PST - [Click here to Register](#)

Please email [educ.mentalhealth@gov.bc.ca](mailto:educ.mentalhealth@gov.bc.ca) with any questions



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## Langley Fine Arts Open House – Middle and Secondary Only

Please share the following message and graphic here (and attached) in your next newsletter or communication to families.

### **Langley Fine Arts Open House (Grades 8-12) – February 22, 2024**

Are you looking for a program that encourages secondary students to **EXPLORE, CREATE** and **INSPIRE**? Langley Fine Arts (LFAS) is inviting families to an open house to learn more about secondary programming streams including Dance, Drama, Music, Visual Arts, Photography, and Writing. This unique, publicly funded, K-12 fine arts school located in historic Fort Langley, combines provincial curriculum with high-level courses that develop aesthetic intelligence in student artists. This choice program is open to students in and outside of the Langley School District. Students with a passion for the arts will feel at home at Langley Fine Arts.

Administrators and staff will be available to share information about the program, registration, intake timelines, and enrolment requirements - which may include an audition or portfolio. The team will also lead school tours and answer any questions you may have.

To learn more about the school, visit the website [here](#).

**Date:** Thursday, February 22, 2024

**Time:** Drop-in anytime between 9:30am and 2:30pm

**Place:** Langley Fine Arts School (9096 Trattle Street – Fort Langley)

**\*Please check in at the main entrance on Trattle Street**



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## Course Planning and Course Selection Guide For 2024/2025

Course planning for the **2024/2025** school year for students currently in grades 9 through 11 took place in early February. Our Course Selection Guide, which outlines all the courses is available online on our website [Course Planning - Langley Secondary School \(sd35.bc.ca\)](https://www.sd35.bc.ca/course-planning).

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## Final Report Cards for Semester 1 - AVAILABLE ONLINE

We are continuing to have report cards available through the Parent Portal on MyEdBC. There are several benefits associated with being able to access this feature on MyEdBC for parents. The Parent Portal gives parents access to check attendance, class progress, student schedules, and also download report cards. Instructions for accessing the Parent Portal can be found [here](#). Parents who already have an account and are having difficulty accessing the Portal please contact the school office.

Parents without accounts will need to have an email account to be able to access the Parent Portal. If you do not yet have an account, please click on the [MyEdBC Assistance Form](#).





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## ✓ BEFORE STARTING



Login account will be created for parent/guardians that have provided an email address to the school. A **Login ID** and a temporary **Password** will be emailed to you at the time your account is created. Please check your JUNK or SPAM folder if you did not get it.



Your login ID will be the following format  
**sd35-xxxxxxx**

NOTE: Both user name and password are **case sensitive**



Please use a **Laptop** or **Desktop Computer** to initialize your account.



\*Once your Login account is activated, you will be able to use a smartphone/tablet to access all info in the system.



Pop Ups should be **enabled** for some features of the site to work properly.





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## LOGGING IN

### 01 On Initial Log In / Reset Password

Go to <https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>

1. Enter your **Login ID** (Logins should be all lower case )
2. Enter your **Password** (Case Sensitive)
3. Click **Log On**

### 02 Change Password Pop-Up

1. **Current Password** – enter the temporary password
2. **New Password** – enter the new user created password
3. **Confirm New Password** – enter the new user created password a second time

*Passwords must meet the following criteria:*

- ✓ Minimum length is **8**
- ✓ At least one **number**
- ✓ At least one **capital letter**
- ✓ At least one **lowercase letter**
- ✓ At least one **symbol** that isn't a letter or number
- ✓ Cannot contain login name, first name, middle name, last name, date of birth, personal id, or only sequential letters or numbers.



**Passwords are good for 90 days**

to protect your child's data and you will be prompted to change your password.




If you use a smartphone/tablet, please see "Resetting Password on Mobile/Tablet for MyEducationBC" page.



## LOGGING IN

### 03 Security Preferences Update Pop-Up

You will be prompted to confirm your email address and enter your **Security Preferences** by choosing a security question and answer that you will remember.

 This will allow you to use the *'I forgot my password'* function on the logon page, should you need to reset your password.

#### Security Preferences Update

To enable self serve password recovery, please provide the following information

Primary email	<input type="text"/>
Security question	<input type="text"/>
Security answer	<input type="text"/>
Confirm answer	<input type="text"/>

1. Enter your **Primary Email address**.  
This email address will be used to receive a new password if you forget your password.
2. Choose a **Security Question**
3. Enter your **Security Answer** then confirm your security answer. (Case Sensitive)
4. Click **Submit**





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## Math Contest Signup 2023-2024

Registration deadlines for Gr. 9 – 11 is *closed*. Gr. 12 registration is open until March 7

For more information about these contests:

[http://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past\\_contests.html](http://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past_contests.html)

The grade 9-11 contests are on Wednesday, February 28, 2024 during first period (block C) in the library learning commons.

The grade 12 contest is on Wednesday, April 3 from 8:50am to 11:20am (blocks A & B) in the library learning commons.

Students who are interested in writing this contest can see Mr. Van Bergen in room A125 or ask their math teacher to sign them up.

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## Valentine's Day

Staff celebrated our students on Valentines Day with a tradition of sending a personal message from staff to each students. Thank you to our staff, leadership and Avid students for your work in providing a sense of belonging!







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## Dance

Ten LSS dancers participated in the Level Up BC Highschool Dance Convention on Wednesday January 31st. Dancers took classes in Contemporary Dance, Afro and Hip Hop. 22 high schools participated in the Dance Convention at Coast Salish Secondary in Surrey. Thank you to the PAC for providing the funding for LSS dancers to attend the convention.





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## Theatre

### Mean Girls Production Tickets available

We have a very exciting musical theatre production that will be taking place **February 29 – March 9.**

If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please click on the link below to purchase tickets.

<https://sd35.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/56214/111/False/True>

**LANGLEY SECONDARY SCHOOL  
MUSICAL THEATRE COMPANY**  
*Presents*

# MEAN GIRLS

**HIGH SCHOOL VERSION**

Book by <b>TINA FEY</b>	Music by <b>JEFF RICHMOND</b>	Lyrics by <b>NELL BENJAMIN</b>
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Based on the Paramount Pictures film *Mean Girls*

<h2>PERFORMANCES</h2> <table style="width: 100%;"><tr><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>7 PM EVENING</b> Thursday, February 29 Friday, March 1 Saturday, March 2 Thursday, March 7 Friday, March 8 Saturday, March 9</td><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>2 PM MATINEE</b> Saturday, March 2 Saturday, March 9</td></tr></table> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>LOCATION</b> Dramnasium Langley Secondary School 21405 - 56 Avenue</p>	<b>7 PM EVENING</b> Thursday, February 29 Friday, March 1 Saturday, March 2 Thursday, March 7 Friday, March 8 Saturday, March 9	<b>2 PM MATINEE</b> Saturday, March 2 Saturday, March 9	<h2>TICKETS</h2> <p>School Cash Online OR LSSMeanGirls@gmail.com</p> <table style="width: 100%;"><tr><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>\$12</b> Students Seniors</td><td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"><b>\$14</b> Adults</td></tr></table> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">School Cash Online</p>	<b>\$12</b> Students Seniors	<b>\$14</b> Adults
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Direction by **PATRICK McMATH**  
Music Direction by **PATTI THORPE**  
Technical Direction by **MYLES NIELD**  
**IAN LOPEZ**

Original Broadway Production Produced by  
Lorne Michaels Stuart Thompson Sonia Friedman

Paramount Pictures Marisa Sechrest Ais Nova Entertainment Berkind Productions  
Steve Burke Scott M. Delman Ray Funnin Robert Greenblatt Ruth Hendel Jan Theatricals  
The John Gore Organization The Lowy Sabater Company James L. Nederlander  
Christine Schwabman Universal Theatrical Group  
Executive Producer David Turner

MEAN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL VERSION is presented through special arrangement with Misto Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. [www.mtishows.com](http://www.mtishows.com)





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## A Season of Theatre 2024

The new year brings us another fabulous year of musical and theatrical productions across the District featuring Langley's students. Please support the Arts in Langley schools as well as the incredible work of our Drama and Musical Theatre teachers by attending one or all of the shows that will be happening over the next few months. Please see the poster at the link below for show dates and visit each individual school website for exact show times and details on how to purchase tickets.

**Langley Schools**  
*Season of Theatre*  
**2024**

- BROOKSWOOD SECONDARY**  
February 14-17 & 21-24 2024  
*Into the Woods*
- LANGLEY FINE ARTS DRAMA ENSEMBLE**  
March 5-9th, 2024  
[www.showtix4u.com](http://www.showtix4u.com)  
*She Kills Monsters*
- LANGLEY SECONDARY**  
Feb 29, March 1, 2  
March 7 - 9 @7pm  
Matinees March 2 & 9 @2pm  
*Mean Girls*
- D.W. POPPY SECONDARY**  
April 2024  
<https://dwps.sd35.bc.ca>  
*The Perfect Pitch*
- LANGLEY FUNDAMENTAL MIDDLE/SECONDARY**  
April 25 - May 4 2024  
[www.showtix4u.com](http://www.showtix4u.com)  
*Frozen Jr.*
- H.D. STAFFORD MIDDLE**  
May 3 - 6, 2024  
<https://hdsms.sd35.bc.ca>  
*Chicago*
- WALNUT GROVE SECONDARY**  
May 2-4 & 9-11 2024  
[www.showtix4u.com](http://www.showtix4u.com)  
*The Addams Family School Edition*

**GET YOUR TICKETS!**  
We hope you will be able to take in one or all of the shows! Please check out individual schools' websites for more information. Break a leg!

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## Grad News

### Grad Class of 2024!!! Deadlines are important!

In the words of the great Jon Bon Jovi, "Woah, we're halfway there!" That's right, we have eclipsed the halfway mark to get your yearbook comments and baby photos in. Our firm deadline for submissions will be two Thursdays from now **February 29<sup>th</sup>**. You can do both by clicking the link below!

Combing over the first wave of submissions, we are already starting to notice some repetitive and common comments. My best advice to reduce the risk of having the same comment as another student is, be original and avoid using canned google comments. You have 250 characters at your disposal to give a shout out to your friends, share fond memories / experiences, or extend gratitude to anyone who made an impact along your journey.

Submit your comment and baby photo by clicking here: <https://forms.office.com/r/c8V9DeFyjR>

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The Grad Council designed this year's Grad Wear as seen below with option in Black, White and Dark Green. Information will be released shortly to put your order through school cash online.







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## Dry Grad – cont'd

Hello All,

The Purdy's fundraising for LSS Dry Grad has been set up. The program gives 25% of the profit back to the Dry Grad! The Easter order **deadline will be Saturday, February 24, 2024**, with a pick-up date **to be announced**.

Please use the link below, click join a campaign and start shopping!

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1921687-115068>

Share the link with family and friends!

Thank you,

LSS Dry Grad Committee

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Hello All,

The Purdy's fundraising for LSS Dry Grad has been set up. The program gives 25% of the profit back to the Dry Grad! The Easter order **deadline will be March 4, 2024**, with a pick-up date on March 22, 2024.

Please use the link below, click join a campaign and start shopping!

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1921687-115068>

Share the link with family and friends!

Thank you,

LSS Dry Grad Committee

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## LSS DRY GRAD 2024

ONGOING AND UPCOMING RUNDRAISERS

**UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS**

FEBRUARY 24, 2024 - ASW  
WRESTLING IN CLOVERDALE, BC

MARCH 22, 2024 - PICK UP DAY  
FOR PURDY'S ORDERS. ORDERS  
DUE BY MARCH 9, 2024 THERE IS  
STILL LOTS OF TIME TO GET YOUR  
ORDERS IN!

MARCH 23, 2024 - LANGLEY  
RIVERMAN GAME. GRADS WILL  
BE SELLING TICKETS TO THIS  
GAME - STAYED TUNED FOR  
MORE INFO!

**ongoing fundraisers**

- Please help support the LSS 2024 Dry Grad by taking your recycling to the Return-It depot and using the code LSS-DRY-GRAD (577-379-4723).
- Shop at The Langley Liquor Warehouse, mention LSS Dry Grad at the till and 5% of sales will go right back to help us make Grad a success!

Follow LSS Dry Grad 2024 on Instagram & Facebook for updates



Join the Purdy's Campaign in support of LSS Dry Grad 2024



Take your bottles in a clear bag to your nearest Return-It depot, enter the following code at the label kiosk and donate your bottle return amount to LSS Dry Grad!

LSS-DRY-GRAD 577-379-4723





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Join us for a day of shopping with mom,  
where every gift is as unique and beautiful as she is!

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# SPRING FLING

## MOTHER'S DAY MARKET

Sun, April 28th  
**11 am- 4pm**  
Langley Secondary  
School  
**21405 - 56 Avenue**



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## Athletics

We are entering playoff time for most teams. This week, the highlight of the week was Coralie Entz, who qualified on Wednesday to represent L.S.S. in the 2024 Cross-Country Provincials in Crescent Park next Saturday! Congratulations to Gr 11 student, Sierra Hamilton who has been selected in rugby elite u18 for world rugby representing BC and Canada. Thank you to all the fall coaches as we wrap up the regular season of play! The student-athletes appreciate all they do for them. We have the strongest staff-led coaching staff in the district, which leads to better connections in the community where we work, play, and live. Hoodies have arrived and can be bought on School Cash Online!



**Merch:** Hoodies have been ordered and will arrive in the next two weeks; pictures are on the following page with the designs! We will have black, light grey, dark grey, and white base options. Price is to be determined so wait for an update! Hats are now available at the store for \$20. We still have plenty of the \$10 special t-shirts left, so buy yours next week!







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## AWARDS

The four Rotary Clubs of Langley are proud to announce the ninth annual SASSY Awards Langley. In the previous eight years, SASSY is proud to have awarded just over \$100000.00 to Langley youth. SASSY stands for “Service Above Self” Student Youth. Incorporating Rotary’s guiding motto, the awards aim to recognize and celebrate the **leadership achievements of Langley youth** who exemplify the ideals of Rotary by making a positive impact in our Langley communities. Nominations are now being accepted in seven categories for youth aged 15 to 21 living in, and/or who have made a significant impact in leadership roles within the Township or City of Langley. The awards will be presented as part of the awards show on Thursday, May 9th, 2024 at the Chief Sepass Theatre, located in the Langley Fine Arts School. An applicant must also be available, if chosen for the top three in one of the seven categories, for interviews on Saturday morning, April 6th, 2024. You must be available and attend both the April 6<sup>th</sup> Judging and the May 9<sup>th</sup> Awards Show to be eligible to receive a cash and recognition award. Please put these dates on your calendar.

**Each Category Award Winner (one in each of the seven categories) will receive \$1,000 Cash Award. Each of the two runners up in the seven categories will receive a \$500.00 cash award.** More information is available at: [www.sassyawardslangley.ca](http://www.sassyawardslangley.ca)

Email nominations must be received no later than **Friday, March 15th, 2024 (11:59PM)**. Mailed nominations must be postmarked no later than **Friday, March 8th, 2024. There is no flexibility to these deadlines.** Forms can be either emailed to [nominations@sassyawardslangley.ca](mailto:nominations@sassyawardslangley.ca) Or mailed to: 2024 SASSY Awards Langley c/o Rotary Club of Aldergrove PO Box 1602 Aldergrove, BC V4W 2V1





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## Career News

**Students bring your lunch and learn - Educational Speaker Sessions**

**Trinity Western University - Enrolment Advisor - Nicholas Hassell**

Looking to find a school where you leave feeling equipped for life? Come out and learn about what Trinity Western University has to offer.

Join us in Rm. A113 (at LSS) on February 20, 2024 at lunch 11:50 - 12:25pm to learn more.

**Lasalle College Vancouver- High School Rep - Avenues Sidhu**

Are you a creative looking to attend a unique boutique-design school? Lasalle College offers programs such as VFX for Film and Television, Video Game Programming, Game Art and Design and many more.

Join us in Rm. A113 (at LSS) on February 22, 2024 at lunch 11:50 - 12:25pm to learn more.

Registration is NOW OPEN for the Youth Train in Trades and ECE Academic Dual Credit program info sessions.

Youth Train in Trades Information Sessions will run from 6:30 - 8:00pm at the respective schools. These information nights are intended for parents and students to attend. [Register now](#)

**Electrical** - February 22<sup>nd</sup> @DW Poppy Secondary

**Piping/Plumbing** - February 27<sup>th</sup> @Langley Secondary School

**Professional Cook 1** - February 29<sup>th</sup> @Walnut Grove Secondary School

**Automotive Service Technician** - March 4<sup>th</sup> @ Aldergrove Community Secondary

**Carpentry** - March 4<sup>th</sup> @ Aldergrove Community Secondary

**Hairstylist** - March 4<sup>th</sup> @ Aldergrove Community Secondary

**Landscape Horticulture** - February 15<sup>th</sup> (Virtual-link will be sent to you when you register)

The ECE info session will be taking place at Donna Gabriel Robbins Elementary School on February 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. [Register now](#)

Registration is now open for the Intro to Health Sciences Information session. It will be hosted by KPU online on February 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm. Students can register [here](#).





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**TRINITY WESTERN  
UNIVERSITY**

Lunch and Learn Session

**Rm. A113**

**FEBRUARY 20TH, 2024**

**11:50am - 12:25pm**



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You can NOW apply for the Youth Train in Trades and Academic Dual Credit Programs. Check out the SD35 Career Ed [website](#) for more information on the specific programs offered and register to attend one of the information sessions. Students interested in the Youth Train in Trades and Academic Dual Credit programs are encouraged to make an appointment with Ms. Stuve to go over program requirements and application documents. You can book an appointment [here](#). Applications will be due early April! *See posters on next the pages....*



### INFO SESSIONS: YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES

REGISTRATION REQUIRED AT [CAREERED.SD35.BC.CA/YOUTHTRAININFO](https://CAREERED.SD35.BC.CA/YOUTHTRAININFO)

Find out more about our programs including what students learn, what it takes to get in and how to do well! Program instructors will be available to answer questions. All info sessions run from 6:30pm-8:00pm. **Students and parents welcome!**

- Landscape Horticulture (virtual) - Feb 15
- Electrical at DWP - Feb 22
- Piping/Plumbing at LSS - Feb 27
- Professional Cook 1 at WGSS - Feb 29
- Auto, Carpentry & Hairstylist at ACSS - March 4

 **REGISTRATION REQUIRED AT:** [CAREERED.SD35.BC.CA/YOUTHTRAININFO](https://CAREERED.SD35.BC.CA/YOUTHTRAININFO) 



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## YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!

Applications are open for our Youth Train in Trades programs!  
Train to become an Automotive Service Technician, Carpenter,  
Electrician, Hairstylist, Landscape Horticulturalist, Professional Cook  
or Pipefitter/Plumber - **tuition-free!**

**Apps Due April 5 for:**  
Electrical and Landscape Horticulture

**Apps Due April 19 for:**  
Auto, Carpentry, Hairstylist, Professional Cook 1 and Piping/Plumbing



**See your Career Advisor for more info & an application!**





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Become a Langley Learning Farm Volunteer!

Learn about growing food, be part of a team and build your resume experience! Open to students in grade 10-12 looking to complete the Work and Volunteer Experience 12 course. Be involved in preparing soil, planting seeds, caring for, watering and harvesting as well as participate in tasks such as removing invasive species, tree trimming, etc. Learn about the local climate and sustainable growing practices from Amanda, the Langley Environmental Protection Society agriculturalist.

**Where:** Derek Doubleday Arboretum, across the street from LSS

**When:** Spring Break & Mondays/Tuesdays in April-June

**March** 18-23, 25-28 9am-2:30pm (the 23rd is the LEPS Community Seed Event)

Mondays OR Tuesdays 3-4pm, April 8- June 18th

Ms. Kiers will hold an information session at REP on Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications will be due on February 16<sup>th</sup>. Up to 8 students will be accepted.

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## LSS Open/School based Scholarships & LSS District Authority Awards

On February 5th, interested grade 12s attended a scholarship assembly during REP. For students who could not attend the assembly, the presentation and QR codes for applications have been uploaded on the Grade 12 Counselling Team under the Scholarships channel. The **deadline is Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**.

There are MANY scholarships LSS has to offer, so please encourage all students who meet the following criteria to apply! If students have any questions, they should contact their counsellor.

### Criteria:

- **Must be a Grade 12 student graduating by this June**
- **Must have a Social Insurance Number**
- **Must be a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident**
- **Must have a C+ (67%) average or higher in your Grade 11 & 12 courses**



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## Learning Commons News

Enter the monthly challenges in the library! Can you find the Sheep on the Shelf? Want to read a book from one of our featured displays? Starbucks gift cards are the prizes for February. Come on in and see what's going on in your library learning commons or email Mrs. Kusick.





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## Secondary Language Exams

Below is a summary of the Language Challenge Exam information that was sent to all Secondary counsellors this week:

**Language Challenge Exams** - Dates: January 27 & 28, 2024

### Application and Registration Timeline:

- **September 2023** – Course challenge applications, guidelines, and specifications to schools.
- **November 3, 2023** – Completed student applications for the challenge process **due at the school level**. (Please double-check to make sure all applications are complete).
- **November 10, 2023** – Completed student applications and cheques to Deborah Zurbuchen Jonker due at the SBO.
- **November 17, 2023** – All applications will be delivered to the Delta School District.
- **December 8, 2023** – Cancellation deadline. All requests for cancellation must be made in writing. No refunds will be issued, and no changes will be made after December 8.
- **December 2023** – Confirmations by email will be made. If you have not received an email by the end of December, please check your junk folder and, if needed, contact [pmanuel@deltasd.bc.ca](mailto:pmanuel@deltasd.bc.ca)
- **January 27 and 28, 2024** – Language Challenge examination dates (See schedule in the attached handbook).
- **March 2024** – Exam results will be mailed out to students and schools.

Here are links to the Student Application Package and Information Package for Counsellors:

 [\*\*Challenge-Exam-Application-Package-2024v3.pdf\*\*](#)



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## Information About School Status During Inclement Weather

Snow closures and power outages are an annual occurrence in Langley School District. So, where do you go to get information about the status of schools during periods of inclement weather? If you are able to access the internet via computer or smartphone, current information about Langley schools can be accessed on all school websites or [www.sd35.bc.ca](http://www.sd35.bc.ca). Updates are also posted to Twitter @LangleySchools and Facebook at [www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict](https://www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict). If you don't have internet connectivity but your phone is working, call a relative or friend in an area that has not been affected by the storm and ask them to check the district website for you. Local radio stations are also informed of school status in Langley. Tune in to CKWX 1130AM, CKNW 980AM, Country Radio 107.1FM, Pulse 107.7 or CBC 690AM or 88.1FM for updates.

Please note that Langley District schools are all considered 'open' until a decision to close is required. Decisions on school closures are usually made by 6:30am. As always, it is a parent's decision whether to send their child to school based on safety and individual circumstances. If you feel it is unsafe for you or your child to travel to or attend an open school for any reason, please keep your child home and report an absence to the school.



## Emergency Procedures & Response

Health and safety are a priority in the Langley School District. Schools follow emergency procedures to ensure students, staff, and any visitors in our schools or sites are safe when unexpected incidents or events happen. At the start of every school year, administrators, teachers, and staff review these emergency procedures. Schools practice a set number of drills annually in preparation for unexpected situations. The District encourages families to become familiar with these staff emergency procedures and the drills that are completed in our schools. You can read them in the Staff Emergency Procedures Poster [here](#) or find them posted in areas throughout our buildings. If you have any questions or concerns about emergency procedures, please get in contact with your child's teacher or administrator.

*See next page for poster/procedures*



## STAFF EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

### LOCKDOWN

**Used in response to an armed or dangerous assailant WITHIN the school**

- Gather people in your vicinity into a secure room – do this quickly
- Close and secure doors
- Turn off lights, be quiet, get down low/behind heavy furniture, get out of sight
- Silence all cell phones and ask that they be placed face down on floor
- Alert other occupants by any means available and/or call 911 - only if safe to do so OR Leave Safe. If no secure area is available and a safe exit is, then quickly leave the area/school. Report to the designated assembly area and await instructions.

\*Normal activities in the school cease. Await police response.

### HOLD & SECURE

**Used if there is a security concern in the neighbourhood**

- Bring everyone into the school and remain inside
- Secure exterior doors and windows
- Close exterior window blinds/drapes (if available)
- No one may enter or exit the school during Hold & Secure

\*Typically normal activities continue WITHIN the school.

### EVACUATE

**Used to move people out of the school when a hazard exists inside**

- Direct students and other staff to exit the school via the shortest safe route
- Report to and assemble outside at the designated assembly site

\*Principal or designate will determine next steps.

### SHELTER IN PLACE

**Used if an environmental hazard may impact the school**

- Bring everyone into the school and remain indoors
- Secure exterior doors and windows
- Close exterior window blinds/drapes (if available)
- Turn off all ventilation systems (if locally available/situation dependent)
- Staff designates will monitor access to the school via the main entrance
- Access may be denied if a risk exists that jeopardizes the safety of occupants

\*Typically normal activities continue WITHIN the school.

### ROOM CLEAR

**Used to move people away from a hazard contained in one room/area**

- Direct students to leave the room/area and report to designated area (Ex. Library)
- Summon assistance as needed and appropriate (Ex. call First Aid Attendant, Principal/Vice Principal, 911)

\*Staff should remain to manage the situation or exit if the room is unsafe.


### DROP, COVER & HOLD ON

**Used in the event of an earthquake, explosion, or any event that shakes the school**

- Quickly move away from obvious hazards
- DROP** - low to the ground
- Cover** - take **COVER** under a sturdy table, desks, furniture, or other large sturdy items
- HOLD ON** - to the furniture you are under and stay there until the shaking stops

After the shaking stops, wait 60 seconds and then **EVACUATE** via the shortest safe route. Report to and assemble outside at the designated assembly site.

\*Principal or other designate will determine next steps.



**EMERGENCY TERMINOLOGY QUICK REFERENCE**

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**SCHOOL DRILLS**

**FIRE**

- 6 drills per year
- 3 per semester - fall and spring

Note: actual alarms and false alarms count as drills

**EARTHQUAKE**

- 2 drills per year
- October - Great BC Shakeout

**LOCKDOWN**

- 3 drills per year

**HOLD & SECURE + SHELTER IN PLACE**

- 1 review of procedures per year with all



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<p style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;"><b><u>FALL TEAMS:</u></b></p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;">  </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Girls Volleyball Jr/Sr:</b> (Mr. Dave Macleod, Ms. Myette)</li> <li>• <b>Cross Country Running:</b> (Ms. Pagnanini, Mr. Nicol)</li> <li>• <b>Boys Soccer Jr/Sr:</b> (Mr. Labine, Mr. Tesan)</li> <li>• <b>Football:</b> (Mr. Kardos, Mr. Macleod, Mr. Wyse)</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;"><b><u>WINTER TEAMS:</u></b></p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;"><b>Basketball:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Jr./Sr. Girls:</b></li> <li>• <b>Sr. Boys:</b> (Mr. Sheppard)</li> <li>• <b>Jr. Boys:</b></li> <li>• <b>Jr. Girls</b></li> <li>• <b>Boys Curling</b></li> <li>• <b>Girls Curling</b></li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;"><b><u>SPRING TEAMS:</u></b></p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;">  </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ultimate Frisbee:</b> (Mr. Sheppard)</li> <li>• <b>Track and Field:</b> (Ms. Pagnanini, Mr. Nicol)</li> <li>• <b>Rugby:</b> (Girls: Mr. Van Meer) (Boys: Mr. Paul, Ms. Rand)</li> <li>• <b>Golf:</b> (Mr. Heath)</li> <li>• <b>Ice Hockey &amp; Ball Hockey:</b> (Mr. Bannister)</li> <li>• <b>Girls Soccer Jr/Sr:</b> (Mr. Labine, Mr. Tesan)</li> <li>• <b>Badminton:</b> (Mr. Oh)</li> </ul>
<b>LSS CLUBS!</b>		
<p><b>Environmental Club:</b> Wednesday at Lunch - Room 203 (Ms. Pagnanini)</p> <p><b>Gender and Sexuality Alliance Club:</b> Tuesdays at Lunch - Room A112 (Ms. Lee)</p> <p><b>3D Printing Club:</b> Thursdays at Lunch - Room A132 (Mr. Rasmussen)</p> <p><b>Dungeons and Dragons:</b> Mondays after school - Room 202 (Mr. Nicol)</p> <p><b>Dance Club:</b> Monday/Wednesday 3:00-4:00 in the Dance Studio A78 (Ms. Lidemark)</p> <p><b>K-Pop Fan Club:</b> Lunch on Fridays in Portable 7 (Student Led)</p> <p><b>Diversity Club:</b> To be announced. (Mr. Sanchez)</p> <p><b>Golf Club:</b> Spring start date to be determined. (Ms. Rand)</p> <p><b>Volleyball Club:</b> Spring start date to be determined. (Mr. McMath)</p> <p><b>Homework Club:</b> Tuesdays &amp; Thursdays after school Room A109</p> <p style="margin-top: 10px;"><b>MORE CLUBS TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER IN THE YEAR!</b></p>		