



# The Titans' Tribune

Home and School Working Together

January 24, 2025

Issue #10

## Upcoming Dates

Hello LFMSS Families:

We are now officially halfway through our school year. Here are a few reminders of some upcoming events and important dates. As always, our Tribune communicates both school-related and District-related activities and initiatives that support our school community.

### Semester Two

Our second semester begins on Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup> for those students who are enrolled in semester courses. Student timetables will be available on MyED BC after 3:30 PM on Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. This is for Grade 10-12 students with semestered courses. Paper copies of timetables will not be available.

**\*Please refer to the document that provides specific details about how the last few days of January will be structured for Grades 8-12. \*Grade 6/7 students are in session as usual.**

### Reporting

The Summary of Learning (for Semester 1 courses only) will be published in MyED BC on February 7<sup>th</sup> by 3:00 PM.

The Informal Learning Update #2 (for Gr. 8-12 linear courses) will be communicated by your child's teacher in MyED on Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> by 3:00 PM. The purpose of this update is to keep students and families informed as it relates to student academic progress.

**\*The next Summary of Learning for Grades 6 & 7 will be in March.**

### Course Planning

Course planning is underway for September 2025. As needed, information will be shared with students and families about

- Jan. 27 Student Success Day – Gr. 6-7 in attendance. Gr. 8-12 by invite only
- Jan. 27 Gr. 8 & 9 Career Fair
- Jan. 28 Semester Turnaround – No school for grades 8-12  
Regular school day for grades 6-7
- Jan. 29 Semester 2 Begins - Gr. 8-12 linear classes resume
- Jan. 31 Alpine Sports
- Feb. 6 Gr. 6/7 Hot Lunch
- Feb. 6 Parent Information Evening
- Feb. 7 Whistler Ski Trip
- Feb. 10 Pro-D Day – students not in attendance
- Feb. 17 Family Day – school closed

Please visit [www.lfmss.sd35.bc.ca](http://www.lfmss.sd35.bc.ca) for the most up to date calendar of events.

**COMMUNICATING**  
with your school

GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING AN ISSUE OR CONCERN

- 1 Start with the employee whose action has given rise to the issue or concern
- 2 Contact your principal, vice-principal, or counsellor
- 3 Speak with a District Principal or Assistant Superintendent
- 4 When applicable, make an appeal to the Board of Education

Langley Schools

the timeline of events. **One important date to highlight is the Parent Information Evening that is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Athletics**

The middle and secondary basketball seasons are well underway. We are always so appreciative of the dedication, commitment, and time that our Staff and our community coaches put forth to support our athletes.

Sincerely,

Ms. Carla Clapton  
Principal  
LFMSS

## **Semester News**

### **End of Semester Transitions - Secondary**

One of the most important measures of student success is the measure of student transitions, when students successfully move on to the next step in their educational journey. This might include a student who goes from one course to the next course (e.g., English 8 to English 9), from one grade to the next grade, from one level of school to the next level of school (e.g., middle to secondary), or to post-secondary opportunities. At the end of each semester, secondary schools have Transition Days, in which staff create opportunities for students to demonstrate key transitions goals and growth, and assist them in their transitions. Successful transitions are vital for students to build on the successes they have had, and prepare them for the new challenges in their new classroom, new school, etc. The Transition Days also allow for students to complete and present their major careers requirements. Some of the activities that occur during Transition Days in different secondary schools include:

- Mini-Capstone presentations by Grade 9 students;
- Capstone presentations by Grade 11 and 12 students;
- Careers and Capstone Fairs;
- Other connections and activities between schools to assist in student transitions

At the end of Semester 1, secondary schools also will have a Semester Turnaround Day, to be able to complete the many tasks that are necessary in ending one semester and starting another, including reviewing semester-end student report cards and re-working student timetables.

**Please refer to the LFMSS “End of January 2025” document that is specific to our school.**

If you have any questions about semester end activities, please contact the school’s Administration.

## January 2025 Transition Days and Semester Turnaround



Thurs. Jan. 23	Last day of Semester 1 courses
Fri. Jan. 24	Selected Grade 8-12 students for Transition Day #1 Grade 6 & 7 students in attendance CLC Capstone Presentations and Grade 10 Mini-Capstone
Mon. Jan. 27	Selected Grade 8-12 students for Transition Day #2 Grade 6 & 7 students in attendance Grade 8/9 Career Fair (in AM)
Tues. Jan. 28	Semester Turnaround Day (Grade 8-12 students not in attendance) Grade 6 & 7 students in attendance
Wed. Jan. 29	Semester 2 Begins / Grade 8-12 Linear courses resume Grade 6 & 7 students in attendance

## Parent Information Evening

### Parent Information Evening Thursday, Feb. 6, 2025 6:00- 8:00 PM – LFMSS Small Gym

Please join us for an information session in our small gym on Thursday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>. During this session, you will be provided with information about our school and you will also have the opportunity to ask questions about how we may support your child's smooth transition from elementary to middle school.

**6:00 – 6:45 PM** LFES' current Grade 5 families transitioning to Grade 6  
New Grade 5 families transition to Grade 6  
Coghlan's current Grade 7's transitioning to Grade 8

- Introduction to the school and some LFMSS Staff
- The life of a Grade 6 Student at LFMSS
- The life of a new Grade 8 Student at LFMSS
- Question & Answer period
- School tours (optional)

**If you have older children at LFMSS, there will be a second session...**

**7:00– 8:00 PM** Current Grade 8 – 11 LFMSS Students

- Introduction to some LFMSS staff
- Introduction to the graduation program and requirements
- Required academic courses for graduation
- Elective options
- Question and Answer period

# Course Planning for the 2025-2026 School Year

Course planning for the 2025-2026 school year has begun.

- GRADE 11 - Classroom presentation: Thursday, January 23 MTSS
- GRADE 10 - Classroom presentation: Friday, January 31 MTSS
- GRADE 9 - Classroom presentation: Thursday, February 9 MTSS

## PROGRAM PLANNING PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

**Thursday, February 6**

Current Gr 8 – 11 Students

7:00 P.M. - 7:45 P.M.

Small Gym

**MyED BC Student Portal [open](#) for Gr 8-11 students to select courses from [February 7-14](#)**

## Jazz Festival

Titan's Sr Jazz band has an amazing performance at the District Jazz Band Festival Wednesday evening.  
What a great evening full of music!





# LSS Sports Academies Information Night: Middle/Secondary

Are you looking for a way to fuel your passion for hockey, baseball or softball while still achieving your academic goals? Langley Secondary's sports academies may be the perfect fit! These high-performance skills-based programs combine on-and off-field or ice training, strength and conditioning education, and the B.C. school curriculum. Hockey academy participants will have at least 40 on-ice sessions during the semester, while baseball/softball students will spend two blocks every day in academy programming. Learn more at an upcoming information session, which is scheduled for Feb. 11, 7 pm at the LSS Learning Commons. See poster [here](#) for details. For info on baseball/softball read [here](#) or hockey read [here](#). Please note, this info session does NOT include the LSS Soccer Academy.



## LSS Sports Academies Information Night

Baseball Semester 1

Softball Semester 1

Hockey Semester 2

Students can attend  
LSS all year or for the  
semester of Academy

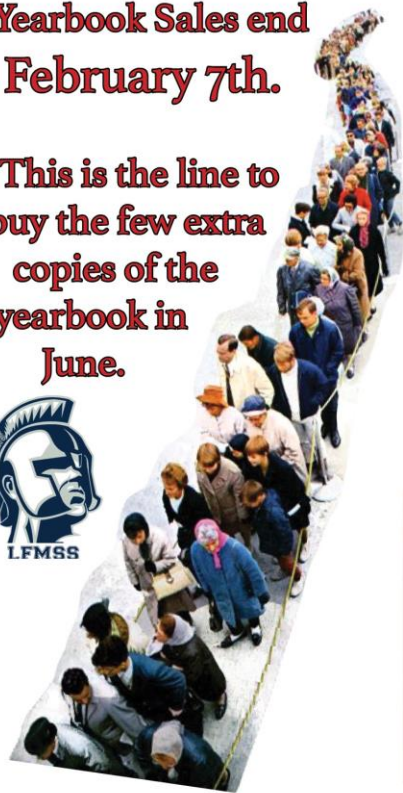
Langley Secondary School  
Learning Commons  
Tuesday, February 11, 2025 7pm

This night is an opportunity for students and parents to find out information regarding the Baseball, Softball and Hockey Academies Offered at LSS. For any further information please contact: [tbannister@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:tbannister@sd35.bc.ca)

# Yearbook Sales

**Yearbook Sales end  
February 7th.**

**This is the line to  
buy the few extra  
copies of the  
yearbook in  
June.**

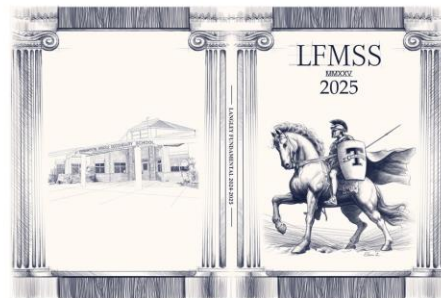


Every June dozens of students are disappointed that they can't buy a yearbook.

Yearbooks must be pre-ordered!

**ORDER YOURS TODAY AT  
SCHOOLCASH ONLINE**

**BUY YOUR**  
*Yearbook*



## Fun & Games with the Leadership Team

Leadership students Harry and Yusei organized "The Evil Joker Card Game Competition" for our middle school students. The leadership students are getting stronger in their event-planning skills and the middle school students are loving the opportunity for different ways to interact with the older students. Great job Yusei, Harry, and the leadership class.





# Mrs. McClelland's Balloon Car Racing

This was 6-3! Balloon Car Racing. They created a car that would move using Newton's Third Law.



# Parent Education Presentation

## **Langley DPAC presents Hannah Beach**

February 13, 2025 at 7pm

Kwantlen Polytech University

Free Event, Registration Required

Childminding available

Today's children face rising anxiety, aggression, and withdrawal, leaving parents feeling overwhelmed. Kids are isolated, glued to screens, and struggling to connect. Hannah Beach, award-winning educator and author of *Reclaiming Our Students*, is dedicated to helping children build emotional resilience through relationship and play. Her work is transforming how we support kids in schools and at home.

[REGISTRATION LINK.](#)



**Practical Parenting Strategies for Change**

**FREE Parent / Caregiver Presentation**

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- ✓ Registration required
- ✓ Childminding Available

**February 13, 2025**

Kwantlen Polytechnic University  
20901 Langley Bypass Langley

7:00 pm

## Canteen Cards – Now Available

Grades 8-12 parents who want to send your kids with lunch money — on a loadable card, is now available. Please go to the link below and fill out the form then E-transfer the payment of the card to [lfmsspac@gmail.com](mailto:lfmsspac@gmail.com) and we will email you with instructions for pickup.

<https://airtable.com/app5HrZXjPgY936n6/pageECuY8Fu8R49tr0/form>

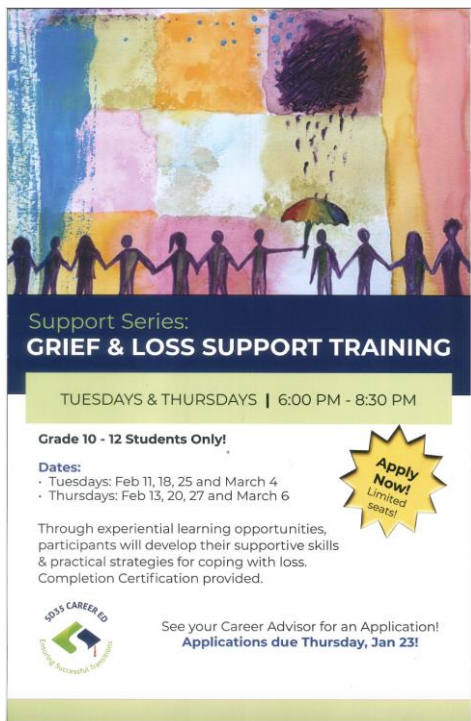


# Information About School Status During Inclement Weather

Snow closures and power outages are an annual occurrence in the 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 X (formerly Twitter) @LangleySchools and Facebook at [www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict](http://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.

## Career and Secondary Education Information



**Support Series:  
GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT TRAINING**

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS | 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

**Grade 10 - 12 Students Only!**


**Dates:**

- Tuesdays: Feb 11, 18, 25 and March 4
- Thursdays: Feb 13, 20, 27 and March 6

Through experiential learning opportunities, participants will develop their supportive skills & practical strategies for coping with loss. Completion Certification provided.

**Apply Now! Limited seats!**

See your Career Advisor for an Application!  
Applications due Thursday, Jan 23!



### Food Safe Certification



#### What Is Food Safety Certification?

A Food Safety certification is a valuable asset to have, to work in a successful food business. It gives you a competitive advantage over someone who is not certified.

Even if someone isn't preparing meals or working directly with customers onsite during their shift hours, it's still essential for them to know about proper hand-washing techniques when handling certain foods.

#### Food Safe Certification

**SIGN UP IS REQUIRED**

Space is limited, first come first serve.

Please see Ms. Brown at room W14 to sign up or for more information

**Date:** Feb 28, 2025

**Location:** Brookwood Secondary School

**Time:** 09:00am to 03:00pm

**Cost:** \$25 per participant payable at time of registration

## IMPORTANT INFO for future SFU students:



Application Deadline: January 31, 2025



Campus Tour



Virtual Tour



Entrance Scholarships (deadline December 15, 2024)



UGGLA Family Scholarship (deadline January 25, 2025)

**SFU**  
Simon Fraser University

Grade 8-12 students are invited to submit your video about safety in the workplace and you could win a cash prize!

More info at:



**Show up,  
speak up  
for safety**



2025 Student Safety Video Contest **WORK SAFE BC**

Deadline for submissions is April 1, 2025

**Attention Young Canadians:**  
If you are a young person passionate about leadership, politics, and change.

[LEARN MORE](#) 

**Get Ready for the Forum for Young Canadians National Summit 2025!**  
Are you ready to dive into the heart of Canadian civic engagement, meet some of the country's top decision-makers, and make your voice heard on the issues that matter? Then the Forum for Young Canadians National Summit is your chance to shine!

In March 2025, Ottawa will host over 100 students aged 14 to 18 each week for an immersive, hands-on experience like no other. You'll learn about how decisions are made in Canada, meet Senators, Members of Parliament, and other influential leaders, and gain the tools you need to make a real difference in your community. This is your opportunity to be a part of something BIG.

SD35 Career Education

**PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE**  
Exploring Langley School District's Trades & Career Opportunities

Scan to watch last year's video: 

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**04** DAY    **FEB** MONTH    **25** YEAR

**6:30 pm - 8:00 pm**  
Langley Events Centre

 Automotive   
  Carpentry   
  Electrical   
  Hairstylist   
  Landscape Horticulture   
  Piping/Plumbing   
  Professional Cook 1   
  Welding   
  Intro to Health Science   
  Early Childhood Education   
  Biomedical & Health Science

**PROFESSIONAL COOK 1 WORKSHOP**

**JANUARY 27, 2025**  
10:00 - 12:00pm

See your Career Advisor for an Application! Applications due January 13, 2025



For Grade 10 - 11 students

**AUTOMOTIVE WORKSHOP**

**JANUARY 27, 2025**  
10:00 - 11:30am

See your Career Advisor for an Application! Applications due January 13, 2025




For Grade 10 & 11 students

**CARPENTRY WORKSHOP**

**JANUARY 27, 2025**  
11:00am - 12:30pm

See your Career Advisor for an Application! Applications due January 13, 2025



For Grade 10 & 11 students



**ROTARY IS INVESTING IN CANADA'S YOUTH**

**ADVENTURE IN CITIZENSHIP (AIC)**

[www.rotaryottawa.com](http://www.rotaryottawa.com)    MAY 25 - 28, 2025

**THE ADVENTURE**  
Since 1951, AIC has given a unique opportunity to a select group of young Canadians who get together in Ottawa and gain a better understanding of our country. Through meetings with political leaders, officials, and experts they learn about the workings of our government and the challenges facing all young Canadians. By meeting their peers from across Canada they learn to better appreciate the privileges and responsibilities of citizenship, and that greater their diversity. Candidates have much more to discover than matters that divide us.

**PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**  
This program includes but is not limited to exposure to change in the country and the opportunities available. Typically, the program includes a visit to the House of Commons and a presentation from the Speaker, meetings with dignitaries and local leaders, and a variety of activities. This program is open to all young Canadians. Other than the program expenses of travel and meals, there is no cost to the candidate. The program is held at the Canadian War Museum, a select theme and a visit to the Parliament for a national French Canadian theme and more. There is also ample time and opportunity for the candidate to get to know each other and build a deeper appreciation and understanding of various diversity in Canada.

**ELIGIBILITY**

**Trip to Ottawa: Adventures in Citizenship (AIC)**  
The Rotary Adventure in Citizenship Program | Rotary Club of Ottawa-Ontario takes place in Ottawa May 25-28 for **ages 16-18**. The Rotary Club of Langley Central is looking to send two students. All expenses are fully paid for this amazing experience. Contact Youth Services Coordinator Ms. Lara Petrie at: [lpetrie@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:lpetrie@sd35.bc.ca) or 604-308-7648 if you are interested in applying. **Deadline is Jan 31 for applications; remaining seats open until filled.**





Program Exploration Tour:

## BIOMEDICAL & HEALTH SCIENCE

WEDNESDAY | FEB 19, 2025 | 9:00AM - 1:00PM

Visit the Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) Surrey Campus and hear from KPU instructors about our exciting new Biomedical & Health Science Program!

Students will have an opportunity to visit a lab and various science classrooms/buildings. Experience what it's like to be a university student while still in high school! **There will be prizes and pizza lunch!**



See your Career Advisor for an application!  
Applications due February 7, 2025

Limited seats available!



INFO SESSION:

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

REGISTRATION RECOMMENDED!  
SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER NOW!

Do you have a passion for educating and inspiring young minds? [Find out more about](#) our Early Childhood Education Document was last saved: Just now with University of the Fraser Valley. Students and parents/guardians welcome!

**Date:** Feb 26, 2025  
**Time:** 6:30pm-7:30pm  
**Location:** Richard Bulpitt Elementary



See your Career Advisor for more info!



Career Exploration:

## FILM & TV INDUSTRY

TUESDAY | FEB 11, 2025 | 8:15 AM - 4:00 PM

Bringing Stories to Life!

### Shooting Schedule:

- Overview of the FILM and TV landscape
- Breakout sessions providing an insider look into many of the professions related to the industry
- Opportunity to meet the Unions associated with the industry:
  - The Directors Guild of Canada
  - Teamsters 155
  - The Union of BC Performers
  - ActSafe
  - IATSE Local 891/ICG 669
  - Creative Pathways



See your Career Advisor for an Application!  
Applications due February 4, 2025

# Biomedical & Health Science

DUAL CREDIT HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM  
PARTNERED WITH KPU



Info Session: February 5 from 6:30 - 7:30pm

**START FULL TIME IN FEBRUARY 2026 - TUITION FREE**

**APPLY BY APRIL 4, 2025**

**ACCEPTED STUDENTS WILL TAKE FOUR COURSES AT KPU SURREY:**

- English 1100 - Introduction to University Writing
- Biology 1110 - Introduction to Biology I
- Psychology 1100- Introduction to Psychology I
- Biology 1160 - Anatomy and Physiology I

**Courses can be used towards the following degrees:**

- Health Science
- Biology
- Nursing/Psych Nursing



See your Career Advisor for more information and an application







Landscape Horticulture



Piping/Plumbing



Professional Cook 1



Welding



Automotive



Carpentry



Electrical



Hairstylist

## YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!

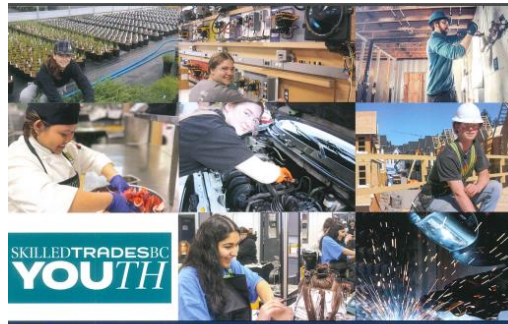
Applications Document was last saved: Just now Join in Trades programs! Train to become an Automotive Service Technician, Carpenter, Electrician, Hairstylist, Landscape Horticulturalist, Professional Cook, Pipefitter/Plumber or Welder - **tuition-free!**

**Apps Due April 4 for:**  
Electrical and Landscape Horticulture

**Apps Due April 17 for:**  
Auto, Carpentry, Hairstylist, Professional Cook 1, Piping/Plumbing & Welding



See your Career Advisor for more info & an application!



SKILLEDTRADES BC YOUTH

### INFO SESSIONS:

## YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES

REGISTRATION RECOMMENDED 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. Students and parents/guardians welcome!

**\*Landscape Hort** - Feb 13, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

\*Registration is required for this virtual session. You will receive link to join the session upon registration.

**Electrical** at DWP - Feb 18, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

**Piping/Plumbing** at LSS - Feb 20, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

**Professional Cook 1** at WGSS- Feb 27, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

**Auto, Carpentry & Hairstylist** at ACSS- March 4, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

**Welding** at KPU Cloverdale, March 5, 3:30pm-4:15pm



See your Career Advisor for more info!



### SFU Virtual Stem Seminars

#### Control for Safe Robot Navigation

Date: Saturday January 25, 2025 Time: 1-2 pm Grade: 8-12

Location: Virtual over Zoom Cost: FREE

Please click the link below to sign up for the event  
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/stem-speaker-series-control-for-safe-robot-navigation-tickets-1098233679499?aff=oddtcreator>

#### Human centred design of a self-monitoring tool for learning

Date: Saturday February 22, 2025 Time: 1-2 pm Grade: 8-12

Location: Virtual over Zoom Cost: FREE

Please click the link below to sign up for the event  
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/stem-speaker-series-human-centered-design-of-a-learning-tool-tickets-1099201153239?aff=oddtcreator>

#### My journey as a computing science undergrad

Date: Saturday March 15, 2025 Time: 1-2 pm Grade: 8-12

Location: Virtual over Zoom Cost: FREE

Please click the link below to sign up for the event  
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/stem-speaker-series-my-journey-as-a-computing-science-undergrad-tickets-1099223550229?aff=oddtcreator>

#### Understanding ALS: The Genetic Mystery Behind TDP-43

Date: Saturday May 24, 2025 Time: 1-2 pm Grade: 8-12

Location: Virtual over Zoom Cost: FREE

Please click the link below to sign up for the event  
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/stem-speaker-series-understanding-als-the-genetic-mystery-behind-tdp-43-tickets-1099253439629?aff=oddtcreator>



### Young Women in Public Safety Program

One week-long paid internship opportunity for female high school students particularly students in grade 11  
Young Women in Public Safety – Student Employment Opportunity

Any questions contact: [ywps-fsp@ps-sp.gc.ca](mailto:ywps-fsp@ps-sp.gc.ca)

For more info: <https://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/bj/crrs/ywps-en.aspx>

#### Where will it take place?

Selected candidates will have the opportunity to visit several federal public safety organizations in Surrey, BC:

- Canada Border Services Agency
- Canadian Security Intelligence Service
- Correctional Service Canada
- Public Safety Canada
- Royal Canadian Mounted Police



# WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITY



**SPRING BREAK 2025**



## GAIN HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE IN THE CIVIL CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY!

B&B Contracting Group is a leading full-service civil contractor in the Lower Mainland and across BC. We specialize in residential land development, local improvement projects, excavation, shoring, concrete and rail work.

Are you a Grade 12 student looking for hands-on work experience? Join our team for a paid work experience placement in the field during the 2025 Spring Break (March 17-28).

### What you'll gain:

- Real-world experience: Work alongside experienced professionals on local civil construction projects.
- Potential for future employment: Gain valuable skills and knowledge that could lead to summer job opportunities and beyond.

### What you'll need:

- Reliable transportation to and from the worksite.
- Your own personal protective equipment (PPE): steel-toed boots, appropriate clothing, etc



To apply: Please submit your resume and cover letter to [tmihalech@bbcontracting.com](mailto:tmihalech@bbcontracting.com) by February 15, 2025.

BUILD A FUTURE [www.bbcontracting.com](http://www.bbcontracting.com) 3077 188st Surrey BC [tmihalech@bbcontracting.com](mailto:tmihalech@bbcontracting.com)

UP TO \$20,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS



## 2025 Challenge

Design a culturally sensitive and environmentally responsible solution to reduce human-caused wildfires in the local Harrison Lake area, while minimizing negative impacts on First Nations cultural practices, ecosystems, and wildlife.

### More Information



LEARN MORE AND ENTER YOUR SECONDARY TEAM AT [HTTPS://BIT.LY/4E48JEd](https://bit.ly/4E48JEd)



## 40 Avenue Road Updates

The project is expected to take four to five months to complete, and as a result, 40 Avenue is expected to remain closed until summer 2025, subject to project funding, culvert supply, and environmental approvals.

[Road closure: 40 Avenue between 212 Street and 216 Street is closed until further notice. - Township of Langley](#)

## Students in Distress and School Safety

Health and safety are a priority in the Langley School District. Our schools follow emergency procedures to help keep students, staff, and the community safe. Depending on the situation, communication to parents/caregivers is needed to keep families informed about incidents in our school, such as during lockdowns, hold & secures, and room clears. Sometimes these incidents may not be emergencies but are medical crises. It is important to note that the decision to send communications to families is dependent on a variety of factors including the nature of what happened, who has witnessed or was directly impacted by what happened, as well as student and staff privacy. Although communication is unique and dependent on the specific situation, there are times when a student is in distress and the incident may require a message or letter to families. In addition to communication to parents/caregivers, teachers and staff may debrief with students after an incident that may have upset them. In some cases, the school counsellor may offer support to students in need. As always, we want families to let us know if your child requires support. If you have any questions or concerns about communication related to emergencies or incidents, please reach out to the school.

## Volunteer Approval and Training

There is a new District process for adults volunteering in Langley schools. All volunteers who are more than just casual volunteers must complete a Criminal Record Check, the Refresher/Training video, and complete the Volunteer Application Form, all on the School District Website. The link is: <https://www.sd35.bc.ca/our-district/volunteer-at-the-langley-school-district/> The password to access the information is **SD35Volunteer**

## Financial Hardship

The District is committed to ensuring that no student of school age will be denied an educational program due to financial hardship. Within the fiscal ability of each school and the District, no student is to be denied access to programs, events or field trips that are aligned to and enhance the BC curriculum. If you have any questions or are in a situation of financial hardship, please contact the school counsellor or administrator.

## Community News

Here are a few items from the Langley School District's Community Bulletin Board. For more community events please visit <https://www.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/community-bulletin-board/>