

D.P. Todd News

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Hello D.P. Todd Family,

We will be having a couple fire drill practices, as well as lockdown practices, just so our D.P. Todd families are aware what will be happening in May.

Parents/Guardians of Bus students, the SD57 website has a My School Bus Monitor notification system available, it lists all the delayed and cancelled busses. Parents/Guardians may also sign up yearly, for specific Bus Route Information. Instructions for how to sign up for specific route information is listed on the website.

As you may or may not be aware, we have been having issues with where our students are smoking and vaping. We are required to have an off campus smoking area (there is a 50m variance) according to School District 57 Policy 5131.62. We have made the decision to move our smoking area to a space on campus for a period of time until we can go through the process of applying for a variance change. We have been working with our Assistant Superintendent on this and have permission to have it on our campus for the interim. As of May 9th we are moving our area to the corner of the far end of the bus loop where it leaves our parking lot. Please see the map below. In the coming weeks and months, we will be consulting with students, staff and our learning community regarding a permanent move. Thank you for understanding.

Sincerely,

D.P. Todd Secondary School Administrative Team

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TROJANS

Upcoming Events

- May 2** – Report cards to students
- May 11** – Interims to students
- May 12** – Indigenous Grad
- May 24th & 25th** – Grads **must** attend rehearsals
- May 26** – E7 ends for Grade 8's
- May 28** – Grad @ **Civic Center @1pm**
- June 4** – Prom photos 11-3pm @ UNBC Agora Courtyard
- June 4** – Prom @ Hart Community Centre, doors open @ 5:30pm
- June 7** – PAC Meeting @6pm
- June 18**- Dry Grad
- June 23** – Exam blocks A&C
- June 24** – Exam blocks B&D
- June 27** – School Awards @ 10:30 am, in school field, encourage parents to bring lawn chair (School Award)
- June 28**- Athletic Year End BBQ and softball game.
- June 29** – **NID** School Closed



In the Community

Senior Girls Soccer

Will be at Masich & UNBC locations for league play. The girls will play April and May with Zones happening May 15/16 and Provincials June 2/3/4.

 **Come out & Support these awesome athletes & coaches** 🧡❤️

*For more information on everything to do with the athletic department see the website at <http://www.dptoddathletics.webly.com/>



The new smoking/vaping area highlighted in yellow above, as of May 9th, 2022 for the interim.



Mrs. Connell is the career coordinator this year. If you have any questions about school district 57 career programs, please check out [https://tconnell91.wixsite.com/mysite/copy-of-](https://tconnell91.wixsite.com/mysite/copy-of-contact-me)

[contact-me](#) and/or contact Mrs. Connell.



Natural Resource Management is a broad and exciting field involving careers in a wide range of natural resource areas. The amazing Mr. Costley is organizing a couple

of exploration opportunities in this area for students. Please see Mrs. Connell ASAP to get your name on the list as spaces are limited.



Does your child work with a certified tradesperson? If so, he/she/they may be eligible for up to 4 courses worth of course credits! Please complete the form linked to the QR code and/or see Mrs. Connell.





It has been such a busy month in the music department. Students have been dedicated and committed to making great music together and I'm so proud of the work they have done. **Congratulations** to all our groups for their performance at MusicFest Fanfare at Vanier Hal. It was a magical event as we celebrated all the great

musical learning that's going on in our district. Hearing bands from other schools was a really good opportunity for us.

Following Fanfare, we headed out on our 2022 Tour Band Trip to Whistler to complete in the Con Brio Festival there. With adjudicators from Texas, Las Vegas and Victoria our students were awarded a GOLD standing for their performance. **CONGRATULATIONS** on bringing back some serious hardware DP Todd. Special thanks to our chaperone team for keeping us laughing and making us all feel safe and cared for. Cheers to Mr. Winnig, Mr. Wood, Mrs. Kozak, Mrs. Uy and Mrs. Sarasin.

The music does not stop here, as we have plans to continue the magic into June. So far, these are the dates we have planned:

June 14th @ 11:00 AM (Tuesday) – Band 10 Performs for Heritage School.

June 16th @ 7:00 PM (Thursday) – Year end band concert, celebrating the year of musical successes.

June 20th @ 7:30 AM (Monday) – Band Breakfast for Band 10-12 Music returning.

June 27th @ 10:00 AM (Monday) – Tentative: Jazz Band at School Awards Ceremony.

In addition, our Band 10 class will be performing for elementary schools in June. We are still working on confirming dates for this. Rehearsals continue for our Band 10 after school on Wednesdays as we finalize our concert repertoire.

As always our fundraising efforts continue. **Bottle depots have DP Todd Band Accounts and Save-on Foods Gift Cards** also bring 4% to your band account. Remember to buy the card under the DPTodd Band name and for bottles and gift cards, always bring your receipt to me with your name clearly written on the top of the receipt.

The silent auction was a success and brought in approximately \$1750.00. Thanks to Sandra Uy for the hard work putting that together.

If your child is in Grade 8 and wants to keep learning about music by playing a band instrument in Grade 9, please email me sklein@sd57.bc.ca so I can ensure their registration into the class.

If you are not receiving my occasional band updates via email, please let me know so I can update my email lists. Thanks Mrs. Klein.



Important Announcement

GRADS!

The Valedictory Ceremony is May 28th, 2022 at the Civic Center @ 1pm
Grad Fees are Due to the office.

Grad rehearsals! All graduates **must** attend both practice sessions:

Tuesday May 24th in DPTodd's gym at 3pm.

and

Wednesday May 25th at the Civic Centre at 3:15 pm.

PAC meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at 6 pm in the Library.

Everyone is welcome!



Our spring season is going well so far. Our **grade 8 girls basketball** team has had to combine forces with PGSS in order to have enough girls to form a team but we are very excited to give them the opportunity to play.

The **grade 8 boys** team both won their first game of the year! The badminton team is getting ready to head to Dawson Creek for zones in the beginning of May. Our **Senior girls soccer** team continues to play well and compete hard in their games. The **Mountain Bike team** has started riding but the **Golf** and **Tennis** teams have been stalled due to weather.

We are excited to announce that 4 coaches have stepped forward to start a **football program** at DP Todd. We will start this spring with workouts and some field work when the field clears off. The workouts will be on Wednesday at 5:30pm in the Upper Gym.

If you are interested in joining any of these teams, please see Mr. Lawrence for more information.

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Name: Serena S

Sport Coaching: Badminton

Age coaching: Juniors & Seniors

How long have you been coaching: 1 year

Do you coach anything else and if so what?: Basketball

What is your favorite thing about coaching: Helping advance players skill level and watching them put in a dedication to improve overall.

Favorite memory of playing or coaching: When me and my friends first joined badminton and played our first zones we learned a lot and had lots of fun.

Where and when did you graduate: DPTodd 2019.

Favorite athlete and why: Tim Duncan- Even though he started playing basketball in his late

teen years, with hard work he was able to become one of the best all-time players as he consistently put up numbers.

Favorite Food: Chocolate

Favorite colour: Green

Favorite piece of DP Todd Swag: Crew Neck

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Dead Pine Trappers Program

Mr. Roberts and Mr. Tanner have been taking Gr. 8-12 students out to two different trap lines on the outskirts of Prince George. Students build and maintain trap sites and bait stations which also includes hanging marten boxes, building lynx and wolverine cubbies, and setting beaver and otter

traps. Students will then check traps throughout the trapping season and then help skin and prep furs. When not trapping, the students are participating in bushcraft such as fire starting with flint and steel and shelter building. So far this season, the Dead Pine Trappers have harvested wolverine, wolves, coyotes, lynx, marten, ermine, skunk, squirrels, beaver, otter, mink and muskrats. The program is open to any students at DP Todd. If interested, please see Mr. Roberts in room 156 for permission forms.



Grade 12's should check the bulletin board outside the counselling area regularly for important messages regarding scholarships, post-secondary information, and meetings.

EducationPlannerBC.ca is an invaluable website for those interested in everything regarding post-secondary education. **ScholarshipsCanada.com** is also a valuable website for scholarships and

bursaries.

All Grade 12 students planning to go to post-secondary school next year **must** go through the process of sending their official transcripts electronically to the post-secondary school. Below is the link to the Ministry of Education to complete this mandatory process. There are also videos explaining the process found at the second link below.

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/transcripts-and-certificates/order-a-high-school-transcript-or-certificate>

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/transcripts-and-certificates/help>



GRADS! The Valedictory Ceremony is May 28th, 2022 at 1 pm at the Civic Center.

*All grads must be there by 11:45 am for group photo.

* doors open for seating at 12:15pm, ceremony begins at 1 pm **promptly**.

NOTE: Late arrivers will **NOT** be seated during the graduation processional. Late arrivers will be seated

after the processional when all grads are seated on stage.

Grad Fees are Due.

Fees are \$110 for the Valedictory Ceremony. We would ask that you pay this sooner rather than later as there are expenses that must be paid for in advance of the event. Please pay at the office. Fees include souvenir cap and tassel (that you keep), gown rental, folder with certificate & photo, tickets for the ceremony, sound and lighting and rental of the Civic Centre facility. If there are any financial problems, please make arrangements with your Vice Principal.



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Contact for Dry Grad/Prom?

Please remember that **Dry Grad/Prom is not a school-sponsored event**, but we are happy to help everyone stay connected and share information!

If you have any questions or concerns please email the grad committee at dptsgrad2022@gmail.com.

Prom Photos: June 4, 2022 – The grounds at UNBC are booked for grads and their families to take photos with your grad in their prom dresses and suites/tuxes.

Time: 11:00 am – 3:00pm

Location: Agora Courtyard (This is the lower level where the stairs are and all the big rocks).

*Please be advised that pay parking is in effect 24hrs a day/7 days a week.

This is a **free event** provided by the fundraising efforts of our grads and grad families. Families can come and go as you please to take photos. There will be no photographer there taking photos so please bring a friend or your own photographer to take photos for you.

At 1:00pm we will be taking a group photo with all the grads in it. Every grad is requested to attend at that time if they would like to be included in the class photo.

Prom – June 4, 2022

Location: Hart Community Centre

Time: Doors open at 5:30PM

Dinner starts at 6:30PM

Dance to follow

Tickets: **FREE** for all DP Todd Grads

\$65 each for Grad Guests

For Prom There will be a sit down dinner served at 6:30pm The menu will be as follows: Roast beef, gravy, mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetables, salads, and lasagna. This includes a mocktail bar and ice cream bar and Door Prizes!!

Dry Grad – June 18, 2022

This years dry grad festivities will be taking place at Ness Lake Bible Camp. Tickets for Dry grad are \$75.00 per grad. Grads will be bussed to and from Ness Lake, with pickup/drop off being at DP Todd parking lot.

Dinner, and late night snacks will be provided, we will have more PRIZES to be won! Students will have the opportunity to participate in multiple activities, Some of the activities that students can expect will be:

Archery Paintball Beach volleyball Climbing wall Zipline
Canoeing/Kayaking Giant Swing (If built in time) Low Rope
Mission Impossible (after dark)

TICKET SALES/DISTRIBUTION:

We will have parent volunteers at DPTodd in the Foyer the following dates and times distributing Prom tickets/selling prom guest and Dry grad tickets:

11:00am – 12:00pm Wednesday May 11th

11:30am – 12:30pm Friday May 13th

We need to have our final numbers to the venue's after **Friday May 13th** so please be sure to get your tickets on or before this date.



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