



# DELVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## October Newsletter

### Grade 8 Orientation

During the afternoon of September 5th, our Grads of 2028 took part in the Gr. 8 Orientation.



This was an opportunity to meet some new classmates, navigate the building, and get some assistance with their lockers. After the assembly, students took part in some fun games and activities with our senior Leadership students.



It is Delview tradition that at the end of the day all staff line the hallways and clap our students out, welcoming them to Delview and celebrating their first day in school!

Dear Delview Families,

It has been amazing have our students back in the school this past month and the energy that a new school year brings. I had the privilege of speaking to each grade at our grade assemblies and look forward to the upcoming year as we all strive to find our passions and our purpose this school year.



We are now a full month into the 2023-2024 school year and students and staff have settled into their semester 1 classes.

This letter contains information on upcoming events and activities in October as well as highlighting a number of educational opportunities that have occurred over the past month.

In addition to this letter, information regarding general school information can be found on our school website: <https://dl.deltasd.bc.ca/>

### Thanks for Giving (T4G)-2023

Planning is well underway for Delview's annual 'Thanks For Giving' drive. On October 12th Delview will be celebrating our 31st anniversary of this event. Students are excited to start planning and collecting, evident by the over 60 students that showed up to volunteer. This year Delview students will continue with our traditional door to door collection as well as maintaining the drive thru donation option started during Covid.



## Delview Athletics

This week Delview athletics started up with volleyball and boys soccer beginning their regular season games for our fall season. Information, including season schedules, can be found on the [Delview Athletics Website](#). Students should listen to announcements, social media and school TV's for information on our winter and spring seasons.



School athletics are only possible because of the dedication of our staff and community coaches. If you are interested in volunteering to coach this year, please reach out to our athletic director, Mr. Simon Crowley ([sacrowley@deltaschools.ca](mailto:sacrowley@deltaschools.ca)).



The public can help by donating non-perishable food items to students going door to door or bringing them to Delview Secondary School on **October 12th from 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm** (9111 - 116th Street, Delta). If you are unable to visit the drive-thru, there will also be a drop-off box outside the front doors during school hours. Please feel free to bring your donations there. We will also be accepting cash donations at the office, drive-thru event or online (T4G [Donation Page](#)).

Whether you put aside one can a day or one can a week until October 12th, Delview, Deltassist, Surrey Food Bank, and every family you help will greatly appreciate the time and effort you put into caring for your community. Thank you for your continued support.



More information will be sent out to families in the coming weeks. As always, we are incredibly proud of our entire community for their continued support of our philanthropic event and willingness to give back to those in need.

## Photographs

Most students had their pictures taken on Friday, September 8th. Student ID cards have been delivered to students within their A block classes. Any student who did not receive their student card, can pick it up at the Delview office. School photos are now available to view and order on the [Artona Website](#). At the time of their photos, students were provided with an access code and QR code to view their photos online. QR codes for viewing and ordering photos are also located on the back of the student cards delivered this week. If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact Artona directly. Delview's photo re-takes are scheduled for **Friday, October 6th**.



## Terry Fox Run

On Tuesday, Sept. 19th, Delview students and staff took part in our annual Terry Fox run. Grade by grade, students ran and walked the route set up by our Raider Leadership class.



Our Delview school community raised awareness as well as over \$1000 in our 'Toonies for Terry' campaign for the Terry Fox Foundation!

## Leadership Field Trip

On September 21st, Delview's Raider Leadership Class spent the day in Vancouver for their first field trip.



Students had an opportunity to take part in a high ropes course and work together on team-building activities.



Thank-you to Ms. Schalk and Mr. Laubman for planning and supervising this activity for our students.

## Semester 1 Interim Reports

Delview teaching staff will be completing interims between October 3rd-11th. Interim reporting will be done through email, phone calls or in MYED (Viewable on Oct. 12th). Interims will only be completed for students that are currently below 60% or those that have not engaged through the start of the first semester. Interims are meant to communicate concerns while providing sufficient time for students to turn things around prior to the release of Mid-Term report cards.

If you have any questions regarding your child's progress, please contact the classroom teacher by email.

## Parent Teacher Interviews-October 24th

On Tuesday, October 24th Delview will be welcoming families into the school for in-person Parent Teacher Interviews. Parents will be able to sign-up to see their child's teachers using Parent Connect. The sign-up system will be open on **October 17th** and will remain open until the morning of October 23rd. Further information and instructions will be emailed directly to families in a couple of weeks. If you require any assistance with Parent Connect or completing registration, please contact the Delview office.

## Flex Time

Flex time will be used as instructional time to provide additional support for students within their classes. As flex time is instructional time, attendance in flex is mandatory and staff will be taking attendance every day.

During the second week of school we ran assemblies for all Grade 8 students and students in grades 9-12 new to Delview. Students are encouraged to be pro-active by registering ahead of time with one of their current teachers, or in the library or gym which is open to all students. Flex is about students taking responsibility for their own learning, recognizing where they need to be and prioritizing spaces that provide the educational supports needed to assist their learning. Families are reminded and encouraged to track your student's flex choices within Parent Connect and have conversations at home to assist in their planning.

## Week of Truth and Reconciliation at Delview

Leading up to Truth and Reconciliation Day, Delview students engaged in mini lessons during flex, along with classroom activities and conversations throughout the week focused on Truth and Reconciliation. It was a powerful week of learning for staff and students.



On Friday, Delview staff and students showed their support wearing Orange for our annual Orange Shirt Day in remembrance of victims and survivors of Residential Schools.

## Innovation 10 Field Trip

This week, Delview's Innovation 10 class took a field trip to Deas Island and the Gulf of Georgia Cannery in Richmond.



The trip was focused around the Japanese community in B.C. and the injustice of Internment Camps during WWII.

## MYED and Student Connect Access

All students should now have signed onto their MYED accounts. If students have not signed on, please check their Deltalearns email for their account information or click on 'Forgot My Password' to receive a reset email. Students who have a 'disabled' account can come down to the office for assistance.

Student Connect log-in information can be viewed on Parent Connect and can be accessed by all our classroom teachers. If students require their Student Connect number and password, please have them ask their classroom teacher for assistance during our flex block.

## Graduation Requirements

It is the responsibility of the students to ensure that graduation requirements are met. Please refer to the Course Planning Guide or check with your counsellor regarding graduation requirements. For post-secondary requirements, it is absolutely necessary to check your program with your counsellor or our Career Advisor, Ms. Kaur.

Many students will start looking at post-secondary applications as early as October. Please make an appointment to review your programs and pre-requisites in the next few weeks by stopping by the career centre or email Ms. Kaur at [jakaur@deltaschools.ca](mailto:jakaur@deltaschools.ca)

## Career Life Connections and Capstone

All Grade 12 students have been enrolled in CLC 12 and must complete a graduating Capstone project as part of their graduation requirements. Information on CLC and Capstone will be provided to Grade 12 students during flex and students and families will receive more information through email from our CLC coordinator, Mr. Ryan Birt. We encourage all Grade 12 students with a study block in first semester to use their study block to get started in their CLC and Capstone now. Students should ensure they are aware of all assignments and keep up with the posted deadlines throughout the year. If you have any questions regarding CLC/Capstone, please email Mr. Birt at [rbirt@deltaschools.ca](mailto:rbirt@deltaschools.ca).



## Delview Clubs

Many Delview Clubs are up and running and we are excited to be offering a greater variety of choice for students. Students should listen to announcements on our current clubs for upcoming dates and meetings.



Delview held a club day on Wednesday, September 27th, promoting and providing information to students and encouraging them to get involved.



Posters for all our Delview Clubs can be found in the main hallway. Students are encouraged to speak to club members and teacher sponsors if they are interested in getting involved.



## Dry Grad Parent/Caregiver Volunteers Needed

Delta's Dry Grad Committee is looking for volunteers (ideally, parents/caregivers with students in grades 8-11) to help plan the Delta North Grad After Party - also known as Dry Grad.

The After Party is for graduating classes of Burnsvie, Delview, North Delta, and Sands and runs from 11:30pm Friday, May 24, 2024 - 5:00am Saturday, May 25, 2024 at the North Delta Recreation Centre. It starts after the school graduation dinner banquets, which are planned separately. Grads will enjoy a night of fun, food, prizes, and entertainment in the company of their graduating friends. It allows grads to celebrate in a safe and fun environment, with the activities going until the wee hours of the morning!

Planning for the event starts now - our first meeting is on Wednesday, 11 Oct at 7pm in the Delview school library.

Sign-up for volunteer shifts at the event will open after Spring Break - more information to come.

Please joins us at the first meeting on 11 Oct. If you have any questions in the meantime, email

[DryGrad.DeltaNorthEnd@gmail.com](mailto:DryGrad.DeltaNorthEnd@gmail.com)

## School Fees

Every year a general school fee is assessed as well as enhancement fees in a number of courses. Notification of the fees owed by your child according to the courses in which they are enrolled will be viewable on Parent Connect on **Tuesday October 11th**. Fees are payable online using Parent Connect or by cheque, cash, or card at the Delview office. If paying by cash or cheque at the office, please include your child's name and grade.

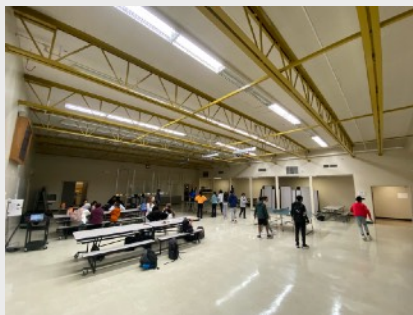
Delview Secondary is committed to ensuring that no student is denied opportunity to participate in a course, class or program because of financial hardship. Any family requiring assistance with school fees is asked to contact Mr. Vasconcelos.

## Grade 8- Flex Buddies Fridays

Today was the start of our flex buddy Fridays. It's a chance for Grade 8's to connect with senior students every Friday during Flex!



There are a variety of activities and supports such as home work help, games (like Uno, ping-pong, Jenga, Chess). Today ping-pong was a hit!



Flex buddies Fridays is just one way that our school is fostering safe spaces and supportive and meaningful connections for our Grade 8's.



## PAC

Delview held our first PAC meeting last Tuesday at 7:00pm. PAC meetings are a venue for discussing Gaming fund allocations, budgets and supporting extra curricular activities. Elections for the school PAC will be held at our first meeting. Our Parent Advisory Council have the opportunity to positively impact the tone and direction of our school, and I invite and encourage all parents to be involved. Our next PAC meeting will be on Monday, October 30th. Information on our next meeting will be emailed to all families later in the month. If you have any questions regarding PAC, please contact our PAC Chair, Keith Punshon, at [delviewsecondarypac@gmail.com](mailto:delviewsecondarypac@gmail.com)

## Locker Assignments

Locker have been pre- assigned for Delview students. The locker number and combination has been posted to Student Connect. Students should have their own additional lock for the PE change rooms in order to properly secure their belongings. The school is not responsible for the loss of any items from their locker in the hallway or in the PE change rooms.

## Textbooks

The school lends textbooks to students for use during the school year. Students are held responsible for their textbooks and are required to pay replacement costs for lost texts and repair costs for damaged texts.

## Permission Forms

There are several forms on Parent Connect for you to review and authorize. Please login to Parent Connect, ( <https://cimsweb.deltasd.bc.ca/schoolconnect/parentsignon.aspx> ) review the notices, and select the appropriate response to each form. It is mandatory that all forms be reviewed and responded to by each student's parent/guardian by Sept 30. Forms are:

Personal Information Consent Form, Permission for Google Classroom, Outside Media in Schools, Electronic Communications,

**Counsellor Contact Info.**

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**Let's Connect!**

Find us on the web:

<https://dl.deltasd.bc.ca/>

**Have You Downloaded the School App?**

The Delview School App is available to download on the apple and google play store.

Download the app and follow your child(ren) grad channel

Grade 8- 2028      Grade 11- 2025

Grade 9- 2027      Grade 12-2024

Grade 10-2026



Walking Field Trips Permission, BC Fruits and Vegetables Program Permission, Demographic Information, and Student Emergency Release.

If you require assistance logging into Parent Connect, please contact the office.

**Communication with Families**

Most of our communication with families is done electronically through our website, email, school app and Parent Connect. Please ensure you have provided us a current email address, updated contact information and you are able to log into Parent Connect and the MYED Parent Portal.

**Reporting Student Absence**

To report a student absence please:

1. Contact the school office by phone (604-594-5491) or
2. Notify the school by email [delview@deltaschools.ca](mailto:delview@deltaschools.ca) or
3. Send a message through Parent Connect.



Absences should be reported as early as possible on the day of the absence to allow a Parent Advised code to be entered into the system. Any unreported absences will result in an automated email from the student system, which will email a message by default.

**Parking and Pick Up/Drop off Areas**

With nearly 700 students and staff coming to Delview Secondary School every day, the traffic before 8:30am and after 2:45pm is quite congested. To ensure the safety of all when traffic is busy, please use the designated areas when dropping off or picking up your child from Delview. Please use extreme caution at the crosswalk in front of the school as well as on 116th. Let's keep all our students safe on their way to and from school.

## **Important Dates to Note**

Day of Truth and Reconciliation (School Closed) - Monday, October 2nd

Grad Boat Cruise- Tuesday, October 3rd

Photo Re-Takes- Friday, October 6th

Thanksgiving (School Closed) - Monday, October 9th

Thanks For Giving Drive- Thursday, October 12th

Professional Development Day (No School)- Friday, October 20th

Parent Teacher Interviews (Early Dismissal @ 1pm) - Tuesday, October 24th

For a complete calendar of events, check out the Delview website: <https://dl.deltasd.bc.ca/>

Thank you to all our families for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact the Delview office (604 594 5491) if you have any questions.

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