



Newsletter

Wednesday, September 19, 2012

Timberline Secondary School, Campbell River B.C.

Principal: Kevin Harrison

Vice Principal: Kim Paddington



Phone: 923-9500 Fax: 923-9525 Web Site: <http://www.sd72.bc.ca/timberline> e-mail: timberline@sd72.bc.ca

Principal's Message

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all students joining us from Southgate, Phoenix, the Campbell River Christian School and those who are new to our community. All of our preparation to make everyone feel welcomed and safe is paying off as we transition from a grade 10-12 school to a grade 9-12 school. I look forward to working with students, parents, staff and the community in providing all our students with a quality educational experience. Mrs. Paddington works with me as part of the Administrative Team. She brings a wealth of experience to her role as Vice-Principal.

At Timberline we will continue to focus our attention on attendance, improving academic performance and connecting all learners to the school. Our staff will also continue to work on initiatives that are designed to move those goals forward. For example, if your son or daughter is in grade 11 and had some difficulties with attendance and academics last year, you may be getting a call from one of our staff members to tell you about a program that could help him or her get back on track.

You may also have heard that students need to report to the late room if they arrive late for "A" Block (8:55 am). We continue to find that this initiative creates a sense of urgency for students to get to school and class on time. We have also changed our block schedule to help reduce bus waiting times across the district. It may be a little early to say this but we are seeing fewer lates and are getting reports from staff and students that they are seeing positive benefits from our later start time. A copy of the new block schedule is in this newsletter. At home you can provide support for these goals by scheduling appointments and events at times that do not conflict with classes. If missing a class is unavoidable, please call the absentee line at 923-9501.

Our school website, www.sd72.bc.ca/timberline, is a great way to stay informed about the daily routines and events at school. Please check it frequently for daily announcements, newsletters and other important information. You can also send us your email address so that we can send information directly to your home. Just email us at timberline@sd72.bc.ca and we will add you to our mail out list.

In closing, it takes a whole community to help move a school from good to great. Please consider this as an invitation to become involved with our school. We will host our first Parent Advisory Committee meeting of the year on Sept. 19th in room C202 at 6:00 pm. We will also be hosting our grade 9/10 Parent Night in the gym starting at 7:00 pm. Please feel free to join us.

Once more, welcome to another new school year.

Kevin Harrison

Dates to Remember:

Sept. 19 PAC meeting
6 pm C202

Sept. 19 Grade 9/10
Parent Night,
7 pm Gym

Sept. 20 Grade 12
Parent meeting
7 pm Theatre

Sept. 25 New Students to
Timberline
Luncheon 11:30 am

Oct. 8 Thanksgiving Day
Schools closed

Oct. 9 Interim Reports
available on line

Oct. 10 PAC meeting
7 pm C202

Oct. 17 Picture retakes

Oct. 19 Pro D Day
School closed

Timberline's Mission Statement

Our Mission Statement is truly intended to guide what we do every day:

Timberline Secondary is a spirited, inclusive community which focuses on excellence in learning and preparation of students for the future within a caring, innovative and inviting school culture.

News & Information.....

Parent Connect

Stay in touch with your son or daughter's progress at school and help us achieve our goal of becoming a green school. Please go to our website where you will get instructions on how to view attendance, assignments and other important information for parents:

<http://www.sd72.bc.ca/timberline/>

Please note that this newsletter is available online at the above URL. We will further reduce the number of paper copies of the newsletter printed as soon as we have email addresses for parents. Please contact the school, at timberline@sd72.bc.ca if you have a new email address for us to use.

Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

Please consider this an invitation to become involved with our school. On September 19th at 6:00 pm in room C202 we will host our first Parent Advisory Committee meeting of the year. Please feel free to join us. Next dates will be Oct. 10, Nov. 14, Dec. 12.

Timberline 2012 Yearbook

Need a copy of the yearbook from last year? Available at school for \$25.00.



BC School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program

We are pleased to announce our school has again been accepted into the BC School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program. As a result, our students and staff will be involved in a province-wide healthy living initiative. One of the goals is to encourage healthy eating by providing fresh BC fruits and vegetables to the students during classroom time. The students will receive picked, washed, and ready to enjoy produce grown in BC, twice every other week at no charge! To ensure every student's health and safety during this program, **please advise the school of any food allergies** that your student may have, or if you **DO NOT** wish your child to participate.



Student Sign Out

Students leaving school during school hours must sign out at the office and will be asked to call home for permission to leave.



News & Information.....

Student Messages

We do not have a paging system in our school, due to the fact that we share our facility with North Island College. This makes it very difficult to get messages to students.

If you need to contact your child in an **emergency only**, please feel free to call the office.



Parking/Pick Up

Please note that the official drop off point for students is at the *lower entrance turn-around by the gym*. The public transit uses the upper turn-around by the main office for dropping off bus students and adult learners to the college. Please do not use the main entrance by the office for dropping off or picking up students.

When picking up students, please park in designated parking spaces. Parking in the driving lanes makes it difficult for other drivers to find a parking spot and prevents those already parked to leave the area. Also, to prevent those harmful effects of greenhouse gases, please turn off your engine while waiting. Let's make our school grounds safe for all!

Excused Absences

The parent call-in line for student absences is 923-9501. Please call this number and leave a message when your child will be missing school. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

IAP Kids Plus™ Accident Insurance

IAP Kids Plus™ Accident Insurance offers protection against the unexpected costs of injury from accidents, and is especially valuable for families who:

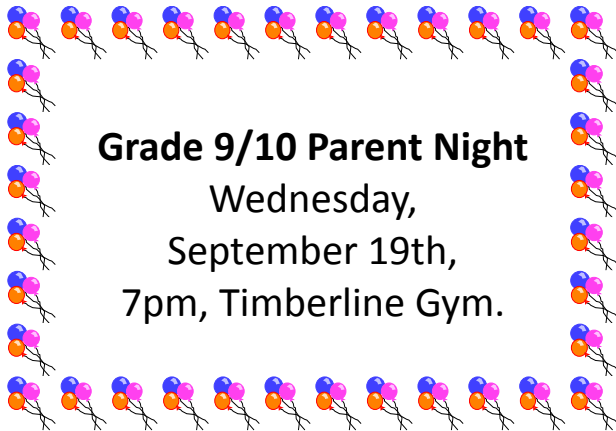
- do not have medical or dental plans,
 - have limited plans, as it may help supplement health and dental benefits, or
- have active children who enjoy sports and outdoor activities.

For your convenience, we have made arrangements for families to voluntarily purchase student accident insurance through the IAP Kids Plus™ Accident Insurance program, underwritten by Industrial Alliance Pacific Insurance and Financial Services Inc. ("IAP").

For complete plan details, please visit www.iapkidsplus.com.

or pick up a flyer from the office.

News continued.....



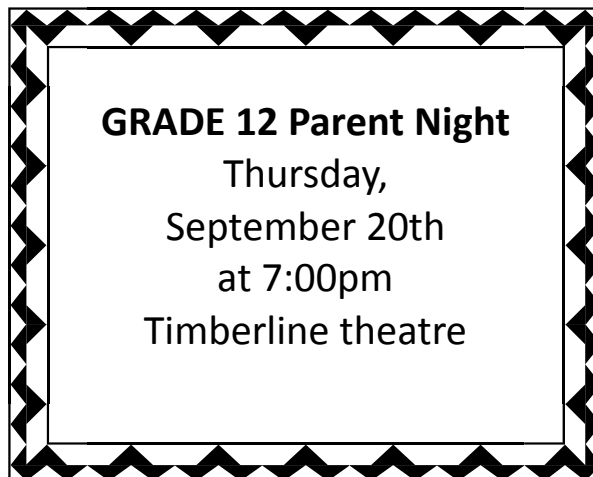
Grade 9/10 Parent Night
Wednesday,
September 19th,
7pm, Timberline Gym.

Timberline Garage Sale

Timberline Outdoor Club season opener fund raising GARAGE Sale Sept 29th 9-3! Come find books, tires, ski gear, house hold and shop items, music and game and MORE. Help support the kids in the school's Outdoor Club in their adventures for the year!! If you would like to contribute to this chance to empty your garage/attic/ storage locker to fill our garage for the sale please contact Steve Joyce at 250 923-9500

Fragrance Free: Support Scent Free Areas!

As we have staff in our building who are extremely sensitive to fragranced products, please be sensitive to this when entering our school and please be aware of signage and respect them.



GRADE 12 Parent Night
Thursday,
September 20th
at 7:00pm
Timberline theatre

BLOCK SCHEDULE	
MONDAY/TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY/THURSDAY/FRIDAY	
A	8:55 -10:20
BREAK	10:20 - 10:30
B	10:30 - 11:45
LUNCH	11:45 - 12:25
C	12:25 - 1:40
BREAK	1:40 - 1:50
D	1:50 - 3:05

News & Information.....

The Ed and May Mailman Life Skills House

Approximately 1 year ago SD72 and the community of Campbell River received an amazing gift—the Ed and May Mailman Life Skills House. Over the past year it has been such a pleasure to watch our special needs and at risk students grow in confidence, life skills and workplace readiness skills as they become familiar with many of those things that we take for granted.

The teachers and educational assistants in this program are dedicated to ensuring that our most vulnerable youth are given an opportunity to transition to independent living and to obtain gainful employment. The Ed and May Mailman House is an integral part of that work.

Students who have taken part in the program have learned a variety of social and academic skills. As a result of this amazing facility and the work of a dedicated staff one of our students has gone on to become employed within our community helping him meet his financial goals and maintain the positive outlook provided when one achieves a milestone in their lives.

SD72 continues to be thankful for this amazing gift provided by the Mailman Family.

Co-operative Education

A quarter of a century ago Co-op Ed 12A and 12B took root in Campbell River providing a concentrated work experience for those students wanting to explore the world of work and their career choices in-depth. Twenty-five years later, because of the commitment of employers in this community the program continues to provide opportunities to the youth of Campbell River; opening doors to career pathways that change lives.

This program, as is the truth for all career programs, would not be possible without the ongoing support of businesses and organizations that open their doors to our young people and taking on the role of mentors and guides. Thank you to all past and present employers for their continued support of the youth of Campbell River and Timberline Secondary.

2013 Graduate News

GRADE 12 Parent Night

Grad parents and grad students are encouraged to attend the first **Graduation Planning Meeting** to be held in the **Theatre** on **Thursday, September 20th** at 7:00pm. Information about the 2012-2013 year and graduation ceremonies will be presented.

**GRAD 2013 will be held
on Thursday, June 27th.**

Graduation and Beyond!

Grade 12 post-secondary information

Wed. Sept. 19th at 11:45 am in Room B248. Scholarship Club will begin. Grade 11s and 12s are welcome.

Wed. Sept. 26—7:30 am: Registration for university tour (Limited space--first come/first served). Look for news in Daily Announcements.

University and College News

Post-Secondary Institutes will be hosting information sessions for students and parents. These events will take place:

At Carihi
Thursday, September 27th in the
Carihi Library
7:00-7:35pm - session 1
7:40-8:15pm – session 2
8:25-9:00pm – minifair

At Timberline
Friday, September 28th in the
Timberline cafeteria
11:45am-1:30pm

Oct 18 & 19 (19th is Pro D Day)—University tour for those registered.

University & College Tour--October 18 & 19.

Every year, Grade 11s and 12s are offered an opportunity to travel to post-secondary institutions to hear about college life and see the campuses. Students will travel on a coach bus with two Timberline teachers, will receive guided tours on campuses, and will stay overnight at a hotel. The cost is yet to be determined but would be in the range of \$170-\$200. Interested students can get more information by attending the scholarship club meetings at lunchtime in B248. Registration will take place on Wed. Sept. 26th at 7:30am in the counselling office.

Nov. 5-6 Optional government exams for students who missed them in June 2012

Dec. 14--Grade 12s Grad Transitions "Moving On" book is due

January 28 - Feb 1, 2013 Timberline and Government exams

Reminder about the Ministry of Education Scholarships for 2012-2013

\$1000 Scholarships will now be awarded based on the five required provincial exams.

To be eligible for the \$1000 Scholarships students must:

Receive a B (final mark of 73% or better) in English 12 (THIS IS A COMBINATION OF THEIR SCHOOL AND EXAM MARK) Students must get at least three B's and one A in four of their required exams (English 10, Math 10, Science 10, Socials 11 and English 12)

Congratulations to the 2012 Timberline graduates who received scholarships and bursaries. View at School District web page:

<http://www.sd72.bc.ca/Announcements/>



School District 72

Campbell River, B.C.

740 Robron Road, Campbell River, B.C. V9W 6J7 • Tel: 250.286.4400 • Fax: 250.286.6060 • www.sd72.bc.ca

Student Services

September 4, 2012

Dear Parents:

Re: Fair Notice

The safety of our children is a top priority for all of us. We, as a school district, have been involved in intensive safety training with our community partners – the police and Family and Community Services. Together we have developed a plan for responding to all situations in which students may be posing a threat to themselves or others.

This letter is to inform you that we, as a school district, have a procedure that requires principals to complete a “threat assessment” in all cases of students making significant threats to harm themselves or others. The purpose of the assessment is to determine how best to support high-risk students so that their behaviour does not become hurtful or destructive. If your child comes home to tell you that a student has behaved in a threatening way at school, please be assured that your principal will be taking measures to deal with the situation in a positive and proactive manner. If your principal invites you to a meeting to discuss safety concerns about your own child, please be assured that procedures are being followed and that the goal is safety, not punishment.

This letter is intended to serve our community with fair notice that we, as a school community, will not accept “no response” to a serious threat. Our goal is to respond to all threats in a professional manner that provides for a healthy and caring learning environment.

We are proud to be able to provide this level of support to our school communities and are most fortunate to have our community partners at our side.

Yours in Education,

Tracy Kennedy
Director, Student Services
School District 72

School Calendar 2012/13

School District 72 • Campbell River, B.C.

2012

- August 28, Tuesday**
 • Professional Development Day
- August 29, Wednesday**
 • Professional Development Day
- August 30, Thursday**
 • Professional Development Day

- * **September 4, Tuesday**
 • Schools Open

- October 8, Monday**
 • Schools Closed - Thanksgiving Day
- October 19, Friday**
 • District / Provincial Professional Development Day

- November 1, Thursday**
 • Interviews - Non-Instructional Day
- November 12, Monday**
 • Schools Closed - Remembrance Day

- December 21, Friday**
 • Last Day of School before Winter Break

2013

- January 7, Monday**
 • Schools re-open after Winter Break

- February 11, Monday**
 • Schools Closed - Family Day

- March 22, Friday**
 • Last Day of School before Spring Break
- March 29, Friday**
 • Schools Closed - Good Friday

- April 1, Monday**
 • Schools Closed - Easter Monday
- April 8, Monday**
 • Schools re-open after Spring Break

August							September							October									
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S			
			1	2	3	4						1	1	2	3	4	5	6					
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	14	15	16	17	18	19	20			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	21	22	23	24	25	26	27			
26	27	28	29	30	31	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	28	29	30	31							
November							December							January									
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S			
				1	2	3						1			1	2	3	4	5				
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	6	7	8	9	10	11	12			
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	13	14	15	16	17	18	19			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	20	21	22	23	24	25	26			
25	26	27	28	29	30	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	27	28	29	30	31						
												31											
February							March							April									
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S			
				1	2						1	2			1	2	3	4	5	6			
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	14	15	16	17	18	19	20			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	21	22	23	24	25	26	27			
24	25	26	27	28	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	28	29	30									
												31											
May							June							July									
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S			
				1	2	3	4						1	1	2	3	4	5	6				
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	14	15	16	17	18	19	20			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	21	22	23	24	25	26	27			
26	27	28	29	30	31	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	28	29	30	31							
												30											

- May 17, Friday**
 • Professional Development Day
- May 20, Monday**
 • Schools Closed - Victoria Day

- June 27, Thursday**
 • Last day of classes for students
- June 28, Friday**
 • Administrative Day

Legend:

-  Non-instructional days
-  Holidays
-  Government exams
-  Administrative day