



SOUTHRIDGE

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Weekly Voice

What is Success?

This was the question I asked the Senior School Faculty in early September at our first meeting prior to the opening of the school year. I asked teachers to consider their definition for true student success from three perspectives: from their own perspective as teachers, from the perspective of Southridge School as an institution, and from the perspective of students.

The common answers that emerged when considering student success from a teacher's perspective, in other words, if we are truly successful at what we do, our graduates will look like this: ideally they will be (as our mission statement declares) people who make a difference in the world, they will be intellectually curious, be individuals who are inspired to be great people and do great things and who will be an inspiration to others. They would be people of character and integrity, who are connected to the staff and faculty and would hopefully maintain strong ties to this community. Graduates would be happy, well-adjusted individuals with a growth mindset.

When the faculty considered how Southridge School as an institution would define success, the discussion focused on our mission statement, the development of character, and that our community be a safe place for all where trust and caring are paramount. Southridge graduates would be young adults who are well-prepared for life beyond Southridge along whatever paths they might choose.

Putting themselves in the shoes of students, the conversation seemed to shift a bit. Certainly, students would be concerned with all of the ideas listed above, but when discussing the top descriptors of success that faculty felt students would come up with, if they were being really honest, a truly successful experience as far as students are concerned would include getting into a good university, achieving high marks, being happy, good peer relationships, life preparation and achieving balance. How close was our faculty? Are teachers hitting the most important aspects of what it means for students to be successful? This might be a good discussion for around the dinner table!

One of the central focuses of the new curriculum recently introduced by the Ministry of Education, is a challenge to educators to help students understand that ultimately student learning and understanding is far more important than grades. As a faculty, we will be looking at ways we can ensure our students are leaving Southridge as graduates with a

deep understanding of curriculum as well as an understanding of crucial life skills such as the ability to think critically and creatively, to solve problems in both familiar and unfamiliar settings, to be socially aware and responsible, to be positive and responsible digital citizens, collaborative, organized and kind with an awareness of self-care and personal wellness.

On **Wednesday, November 29** from **7:00 - 8:30 pm** we will be **welcoming Terry Small to Southridge** as he speaks to parents and students about the keys to successful learning. Terry Small has spoken to over a quarter of a million people on the brain and learning, leadership, and health and wellness. Please join us on November 29th at 7:00 p.m. in the Alan Brown Great Hall as Terry Small speaks and helps us gain a better understanding of how the teenage brain works and how true success can be attained.

Brad Smith
Head of Senior School

Important Dates

Event	Date	Time	Location
Junior School Noon Dismissal	Thursday, October 26	Noon	Junior School
Junior School Learning Conferences	Thursday, October 26	1:00 – 8:00 pm	Junior School
Professional Development Day	Friday, October 27	All Day	Both Schools
Half-Term Holiday	Monday, October 30	All Day	Both Schools
Junior School Pumpkin Day	Tuesday, October 31		Junior School
Halloween Costume Day	Tuesday, October 31		Junior School
Senior School Spirit Assembly	Tuesday, October 31	8:30 am	Senior School
Junior School Assembly	Wednesday, November 1	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall
Poppy Sale Initiative Begins	Wednesday, November 1	All Day	Junior School
Open House – Junior School	Thursday, November 2	5:30 – 7:00 pm	Junior School
Open House – Senior School	Thursday, November 2	7:00 – 8:30 pm	Senior School
Southridge School Society AGM	Tuesday, November 7	7:00 pm	Alan Brown Great Hall
Junior School Assembly – Cancelled	Wednesday, November 8		
Senior School – Early Dismissal for Parent-Teacher Interviews	Wednesday, November 8	12:30 pm	Senior School
Senior Parent-Teacher Interviews	Wednesday, November 8	1:30 pm	Senior School
Full School Assembly	Friday, November 10	10:15 am	Senior School Gym
K-Gr. 2 Remembrance Day Assembly	Friday, November 10	10:45 am	Junior School Great Hall
Remembrance Day (Observed)	Monday, November 13	All Day	
Junior School Assembly	Wednesday, November 15	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall
“The Power of Community” Gala	Saturday, November 18	5:30 pm	Senior School Gym

Junior School News

Pro-D Day and Half Term Holiday

This Friday, October 27th, is a Southridge professional development day. Faculty will be involved in in-school workshops throughout the day. **School is not in session for students on this day, and school will also be closed on Monday, October 30th** for the half-term holiday. *Enjoy the 4-day weekend!*

Halloween & Pumpkin Day in the Junior School (October 31st)

We are looking forward to our annual Halloween and Pumpkin Day festivities in the Junior School! We will have a **special Halloween assembly on Tuesday, October 31st**, followed by our PYP Division costume parade in the Senior School. Please note that the costume parade in the Sr. School is for students only.

When it comes to costumes, please ensure that your child selects one that is engaging and appropriate. Scary or gory costumes, weapons (even 'fake' weapons) such as sickles, axes, and other scary items that may accompany costumes are not permitted to be a part of any costume worn to school. Please be advised that it is not appropriate for Junior School students to dress as *Pennywise the Clown* from the movie, "It". Thank you in advance for your cooperation in helping to keep our Halloween festivities fun and safe, especially for our youngest Junior School students.

And finally, don't forget! **Students are also invited to bring a carved pumpkin to display in the Junior School** (see post re: Bring in Your Pumpkins!)

Bring in Your Pumpkins!

In the spirit of Halloween, **bring in your decorated and carved pumpkins on the morning of Tuesday, October 31st**. Make them funny, scary, or as creative as you would like. Each pumpkin will be worth five house points. Grade K, 1, 2, and 3's can bring their pumpkin to the Great Hall and Grade 4, 5, 6, and 7's can bring them to the upstairs hallway. Show your Halloween and school spirit by bringing in a pumpkin. Go Chinooks, Go Ravens, Go Hawks, and Go Otters!!!!

Please remember to take your pumpkin home on the afternoon of October 31st.

Happy decorating!
Allison Redies and Jackie Janzen

Student Art Contest: Calling all artists Grades K-7!

We invite you to participate in a **holiday card art contest** open to all Junior School students.

Objective

Create an 8" x 10" drawing or painting that reflects the **theme "Winter Wonderland"**.

A selection committee will review the submissions and choose one which may be featured on the Southridge digital holiday card. The chosen artist will be highlighted on the card, and will also receive a book for their class library.

The **contest opens October 25th**. The **deadline to submit artwork is November 8th**.

Submission Requirements

- All Junior School students are eligible to submit artwork for this contest
- There is a limit of 1 entry per student or group of students (if submitting a group piece)
- Entries must be submitted to the Junior School reception desk in an envelope and include 'Student Art Contest' on the front with your name, grade and teacher's name
- You may draw or paint (no sculptures or photos)
- Artwork can be vertical or horizontal, but must not be bigger than 8" x 10"
- Please don't put your name on the artwork. Your name, grade and teacher's name can be printed on the back of your submission.

Tips

- Be creative!
- Keep in mind that the artwork needs to work on a card – uncluttered is best.

Submissions will be reviewed based on overall impact, effectiveness in conveying the theme, originality, and reproducibility. **The selected artist will be directly notified by November 30, 2017**. Have fun!

Contact

Any questions? Please email Jasmine Boyes at jboyes@southridge.bc.ca.

Calling all Swimmers!

Registration is now open for our winter swim team! Practices will be held from 3:15 - 4:00 pm at the Grandview Pool (24th Ave) from November 17th – mid-February. For safety purposes, requirements to join is that students are able to **confidently** swim 50m on both their front and back without breaks. Knowledge of all four strokes is not needed, and students will be split into groups based on ability, not age. In order to be a part of the team, attending practices is mandatory, and we will have more advanced coaches responsible for the students who are currently a part of a swim club outside of school.

Registration will run only until October 28th at midnight. Please sign up using the link below:

<https://goo.gl/forms/KrAXCMCjJejitqhF2> or via email at kreid@southridge.bc.ca, and include the following information:

Your child's name/Grade, a parent contact name for Schoology, and whether your child currently swims with a competitive swim club (PSW, Surrey Knights, or WRASA during the summer)

Looking forward to seeing you at the pool!

Junior School Swim Coaches

Grade 6 Boys' Soccer Team Wrap Up

Over the course of the short season, the Grade 6 Boys' Soccer Team went 2-1-2, then went 2-0-1 in the play day, with wins over Collingwood, Brockton, and Aberdeen Hall. The team was able to overcome a less than ideal start, learning the values of sportsmanship and teamwork, and became a very strong unit towards the end of the season. Congratulations to all the boys, and especially to those who worked very hard to improve themselves over the weeks to become important additions to the team.

Dylan Lal
Junior Boys' Soccer Coach

Senior School News

Service Update from the Senior School!

Wow! As we near the end of October, it's remarkable to reflect what has already been accomplished through Service in the Senior School this year. Here are a few highlights:

In September, our students resumed our weekly lunch services with the Surrey Urban Mission. This is our tenth year in partnership with the soup kitchen. Our students have been making some delicious soups and sandwiches for their weekly visits, including some recipes that have used vegetables from our very own community garden!

This year's Terry Fox run was a huge success in late September. The Senior School raised over \$1200 in casual day donations that were sent to the Terry Fox Foundation.

October has seen some great service activities as well. During Leadership Experience Week, our Grade 10 students spent the week focused on service in the local community. The week started with a wonderful Keynote address from humanitarian hero Ravi Singh, the founder and CEO of Khalsa Aid. Mr. Singh and his organization travel to war torn regions and disaster zones around the world to deliver aid and compassion to those in need. His message to our students was inspirational and motivational, and seemed to keep them focused and committed to the week. During the week of service, we had students volunteering all over the Lower Mainland, including: the South Surrey Bike Park, the Nicomekl Enhancement Society, Semiahmoo House, The Residence at Morgan Heights (senior's home), and at the Orphaned Wildlife Rehabilitation Society, to name a few. The week ended with our students hosting a dance-filled, food-fueled party for our friends from Semiahmoo House, which was a lot of fun for everyone!

This month, our students have turned their attention to raising money and non-perishable donations for the Surrey Food Bank. We have directed October's casual day donations to the food bank, and we have also been collecting food and household items through our 'Halloween for Hunger' house competition. At the time of this writing, Lightning is in the lead in terms of the number of donations made (largely thanks to the trunk-load of diapers and formula that Mr. Knihniski made last week). That said, all houses have boxes overflowing with donations, and when combined with the donations in the Junior School, we'll be able to make an enormous impact at an important time of year.

There are definitely service related initiatives that I have missed in this update, but for the sake of brevity, I will end by saying that if your family is still interested in making a

donation to the Surrey Food Bank (either money or non-perishables), we will be collecting until November 3.

If you have any service related questions about our Senior School program, don't hesitate to reach out!

Have a wonderful long weekend!

Darren Jones
Assistant Head of Senior School

Grad 2018 Purdy's Chocolate Holiday Fundraiser

With the holidays just around the corner, the Southridge Grad Committee is excited to announce our annual Purdy's Chocolate fundraiser. Pre-order all of your chocolate gifts for friends and co-workers or have some boxes at home for when friends and family come to visit during the holidays!

In addition to supporting our grads with this fundraising opportunity, there are prizes for ordering chocolates!!!

Online Draws – order your chocolates online and you are eligible to win a Sweet Traditions Gift Basket!!

There are two options for ordering:

1. **Order Online** – go to <http://www.purdysgpp.com> and click on “**Sign in as Group Member**”. The Southridge Grad group number is “**24019**”. It will ask you then to fill in your personal information, create a personal password and then you can order your chocolates (and see an online catalogue).
2. **Order Forms** – Send your order form to the Senior School, attention to **Brenda Becker** along with a cheque for the amount of your purchase, **payable to Southridge School (memo: Grad Committee)**

Please get your orders in by **NOVEMBER 24th, 2017**. All orders will be delivered to the school on December 12th and will be ready for pick-up after school in the cafeteria.

We greatly appreciate your support!!

Grad Committee & Brenda Becker (bbecker@southridge.bc.ca)

BC Ministry of Education: Rethinking and re-assessing what students need from schools



For the past few years, educators in both the public and private sectors have been working on fundamental changes to our approaches to learning and to the tenets that underpin our understanding of what a “good” education is. The growth in our knowledge of how the brain functions, our increasing awareness of the variety of ways in which we learn and develop, and the sweeping changes brought by the advances in technology over the past decade since 2007, when the first iPhone came onto the market, have made change both desirable and inevitable.



The BC Ministry of Education, responding to the need for educational change and the development of children’s divergent aptitudes and abilities, have made substantive changes to the curriculum and to assessment, laying a foundation that emphasizes the need for ‘deep’ understanding and ‘big’ ideas over rote learning and memorization. They have also introduced core competencies, which, combined with numeracy and literacy, are central to the redesigned curriculum. These competencies are: communication, creative thinking, critical thinking, personal and cultural identity, personal awareness and responsibility, and social responsibility.

Our own Southridge School Education Program (SSEP) is clearly aligned with the development of these competencies, and we have embraced measured and meaningful change, providing our students with the tools to grow and prosper in a complex, diverse, and technologically rich world. To comply with the Ministry’s new directives, students are being asked to reflect and report on their own development. Our students will be required to do this at the end of this first term. This calls for critical self-reflection and we will be working with our students to make these competencies visible and understandable; to help students learn how they can better identify their strengths and skills and to meet challenges and struggles with a positive ‘growth mindset’.

“Core competencies are sets of intellectual, personal, social and emotional proficiencies that all students need to develop in order to engage in deep learning and life-long learning”. (BC Ministry website)

I think we can all agree that we want an education for our children that seeks to develop the whole individual for, as parents and guardians, we know how much more our children are than the sum of their test scores and report cards. An introduction to the competencies is provided by the Ministry and I would invite you to click on the link below to learn more. <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/competencies>

Jan Holt
Academic Program Director

Both Schools



THE POWER OF COMMUNITY

Saturday, November 18th

The Power of Community Gala: Let the countdown begin!

Amazed. Inspired. Grateful. That's how your generosity makes us feel and ***The Power of Community Gala*** organizing committee would like to send out a special 'thank you' to everyone who has sponsored the event to-date. But there is still room and need for more sponsorship. There are so many amazing ways you can sponsor the gala, plus just as many opportunities for you or your business to be acknowledged for your participation. **To find a sponsorship opportunity that is right for you, please [click here.](#)**

It takes many helping hands to ensure the success of Gala, so **please consider volunteering for one (or more!) of the following positions:**

- Auction item packaging and wrapping (8:00 am - 12:00 pm, Wednesday, November 16th – 8 people needed)
- Pre-Gala logistics (help taping the gym floor and setting up tables from 3:00 - 5:00 pm on Thursday, November 16th – 4 people needed)
- Pre-Gala guest table setting and fine tuning (8:00 am - 12:00 pm and 12:00 - 3:00 pm, Friday, November 17th – 16 people still needed)
- Parcel pick-up on the night of Gala (9:30 pm - 1:00 am – 7 people needed)

To sign up for a volunteer shift, please [click here](#).

Many thanks for your amazing contributions, time, and commitment to the Southridge Gala – the event wouldn't be a success without your support!

The 2017 Gala Committee

A Primer on Donating to Gala

The Power of Community Gala will truly be a testament to the power of our community and the funds we raise that evening will provide important resources in support of the educational experience for our students and teachers. As we fast approach our procurement deadline, **we need your support by contributing items for the live or silent auction.** Below are ways you can help:

The donation deadline is MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6th (only a few weeks away)!!!
[Click here](#) for a donation form.

What:

- **Gift cards** – local stores, restaurants, gas stations, Amazon.com, VISA/MasterCard, Hudson's Bay
- **Travel** – a weekend away, overseas flights, a night at a downtown hotel, golf & ski packages
- **Electronics** – we all love gadgets!

- **Event tickets** – Canucks, Whitecaps, Mariners, concerts, live theatre, dance performances, Christmas concerts
- And...food & wine experiences, family fun adventures and themed gift baskets are also great donation items.

When: Sooner is always better! So many volunteer hours are needed to catalogue all the donations, so giving us extra time really helps.

How: Drop off your donation at the Jr. or Sr. School reception during school hours or call and we can arrange pick up. Questions about what to donate? Then contact Shelley Slaughter at 604-542-2334 (she can provide suggestions for items that are needed to complement existing packages).

Why: Our students! Your generous donation affords our children so many opportunities and experiences, and isn't that why we are all part of the Southridge family?

The success of the live and silent auctions will be due to the incredible contributions we receive from our school families – thank you in advance for your generous support!

The 2017 Gala Committee

Support the Cinderella Project

The Cinderella Project is an 100% federally funded and volunteer-based organization, founded in 1999. The organization aims to remove social barriers and promote social diversity. It recognizes young people who have succeeded in conquering odds and boost their confidence through mentorship. Project Cinderella provides disadvantaged high school graduates with formal attire so they can attend their graduations with pride.

We will be collecting any type of formal wear in good condition throughout the year. The Project accepts items such as: maxi or short dresses, shoes (heels, sneakers, flats, sandals,), purses and clutches, scarves, accessories, suits, and ties. There is a clothing rack and a bin set up by the front entrance of the Junior School.

Throughout the year, there will also be fundraising events, such as: concessions at school-wide events and the Great Grad Grub Grab.

Please contact us if you have any questions! Our email addresses are: acheng@southridge.bc.ca, jzhang@southridge.bc.ca, and xkang@southridge.bc.ca.

Angela Cheng, Jennifer Zhang, Zoe Kang
The Cinderella Project Coordinators

Volunteering at Southridge...

Junior School Volunteer Opportunities

Bakers

Bakers gonna bake, bake, bake, bake, bake. There are still a number of Baking positions to be filled in the Junior School. Baking is the perfect opportunity for parents who cannot volunteer on-site!

Bakers provide home-baked goods to faculty on Friday mornings. With enough volunteers, most committee members end up baking only 4-5 times per year. If you are interested in joining the Baking Committee, please register online or contact vanessa@hiltonslanding.com if you have any questions.

Junior School Hospitality

But first, coffee. Junior School Hospitality volunteers provide coffee and treats when required for events and meetings in the Junior School. Volunteers help with setting up and taking down at the end of the event or meeting. Volunteers are required approximately 2-3 times per month. Sign up and join the team!

SIGN UP TODAY!

Sign up today through the Volunteer Corner by clicking on the orange 'Volunteer Now' button! <https://southridgevolunteer.campbrainregistration.com/>

If you have any questions about volunteering at Southridge, please don't hesitate to contact the Volunteer Committee at volunteer@southridge.bc.ca.

Southridge Cafè

Here are a few things that hopefully will help you and help us keep everyone happy and with full tummies.

- We welcome feedback of any kind. Please do not hesitate to email us with any concerns or requests. southridge@canuelcaterers.ca
- The kitchen is always happy to help accommodate anyone with diet concerns or allergies.

- Breakfast is ready each morning at 7:30 am. Every morning, we also bake fresh muffins, cookies, scones and cinnamon buns.

Please review the attached menus for the coming weeks.

Canuel Caterers

Uniform Shop News

For students in Grades 10, 11, or 12, who play on one of our Senior sports teams, the **Varsity Hoody is now available to order!** Order one, and it will even be customized to include your initials in embroidery on the back. The **ordering deadline is Thursday, November 2, 2017.** We invite interested students to visit the Uniform Shop for more information, to try out sizes, and to place an order.

We are open:

Monday – Thursday: 7:45 - 9:00 am, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Friday: Closed

Phala Tan
Business Services Manager



THE POWER OF COMMUNITY

SPONSORSHIP COMMITMENT FORM

The annual Southridge Gala is the biggest fundraising event for our school and your generous financial support is essential for the evening to be an amazing and memorable occasion.

As a sponsor, you will be acknowledged according to your level of sponsorship, which includes your name on the big screen, on special signage during the event, and in our 2017-18 Annual Report.

Your generous support will serve as a charitable donation, so please choose the amount of giving that is the right fit for your family or company.

Sponsorship Opportunities

- Marquis** \$15,000
- Leadership** \$10,000
- Visionary** \$7,500
- Opportunity** \$5,000 *(1 VIP parking spot for \$5,000 sponsor level and above)*
- Inspirational** \$2,500
- Patron** \$1,000
- Supporting** Any amount is greatly appreciated

Minimum contribution for a group sponsorship is \$1,000/family (ie: 5 families x \$1,000 each = Opportunity Sponsor)

Sponsor Contact & Payment Information

Company or Individual Name (for recognition)

Contact Name

Phone Number Email

Payment Credit Card* Cheque, payable to Southridge School (please attach)

**Our Advancement Assistant will contact you for credit card information. (Sherry Hu: 604-542-2303, shu@southridge.bc.ca).*

Signature Total

Tax Receipt Yes* No

**You must provide your email address to receive a tax receipt. Receipts will be issued to the name on your cheque or credit card.*

SUBMIT THIS FORM: Attention: Shelley Slaughter, Advancement Officer
 Southridge School, 2656 160th Street, Surrey, BC, V3Z 0B7
 T: 604-542-2334 | F: 604-535-3676 | sslaughter@southridge.bc.ca

Submission Deadline: Friday, November 10, 2017



AUCTION DONATION FORM

Your donations will contribute to the success of our auction, encouraging guests to bid high, and often, in support of Southridge School. As a donor, your name will be listed on event signage, on the Gala webpage, and in our 2017-18 Annual Report.

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Item Information

Procured By

Item Name

Detailed Item Description

Retail Value \$

Delivery or Pick-Up Method

All donations should be dropped off at the Senior School (Attention: Shelley Slaughter) before Monday, November 6, 2017. (If necessary, pick-up of large items can be arranged).

- Procurer or committee member will deliver
- Donor will deliver
- Pick-up needed

Scheduled Delivery / Pick-up Date

Donor Information

Company or Individual Name (for recognition)

Company or Individual Name (for tax receipt)

Contact Name

Website

Address

Phone Number

Email

Tax Receipt

Yes*

No

**Tax receipts will only be issued for items with a minimum fair market value of \$100. Donors must prove value by providing an official invoice/receipt. Donors must also provide an email address. Not all donations qualify.*

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Auction Donation Deadline: Monday, November 6, 2017

	Mon-23	Tues-24	Wed-25	Thur-26	Fri-27
Breakfast	Smoothie Day	Cranberry Muffin	Smoothie Day	Sausage Wrap	NO
Chef's Entree	Thai Curry Rice Bowl	Salad Bar	Lemon grass Chicken	Salad Bar	School
Pasta Bowl	Marinara	Alfredo	Mac and Cheese	Curried Pasta	Enjoy!
Grill Central	Pulled Pork Sandwich	Thai Flatbread	Pot Pie	Pizza	
Weekly Panini	Chicken Pizza	Chicken Pizza	Chicken Pizza	Chicken Pizza	
Great Greens	Grain Salad	Salad Bar		Salad Bar	

We always offer our regular menu in addition to our daily specials



	Mon-30	Tues-31	Wed-1	Thur-2	Fri-3
Breakfast	No	Bacon Wrap	Smoothie Day	Blueberry Muffin	Smoothie Day
Chef's Entree		Salad Bar	Chicken Stir-fry	Salad Bar	Fish and Chips
Pasta Bowl	School	Cannelloni	Mac and Cheese	Alfredo	Marinara
Grill Central		Stuffed Chicken	Spring Rolls	Personal Pizza	Soft Taco
Weekly Panini		Bbq Chicken Chipotle	Bbq Chicken Chipotle	Bbq Chicken Chipotle	Bbq Chicken Chipotle
Great Greens		Salad Bar	Chicken Caesar	Salad Bar	Tossed Salad

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	Mon-6	Tues-7	Wed-8	Thur-9	Fri-10
Breakfast	Smoothie Day	Pumpkin Muffin	Smoothie Day	Bacon Egger	Smoothie Day
Chef's Entree	Chicken Noodle Bowl	Salad Bar	Burrito Bar	Salad Bar	Fish Taco
Pasta Bowl	Cannelloni	Italiano	Mac and Cheese	Rosé	Marinara
Grill Central	Special Burger	Butter Chicken	Taquito	Pizza	Japa Dog
Weekly Panini	Chicken Pesto	Chicken Pesto	Chicken Pesto	Chicken Pesto	Chicken Pesto
Great Greens	Pasta Salad	Salad Bar	Chicken Caesar	Salad Bar	Tossed

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