

Weekly Voice

People Like Us

I have a bit of news for all of you...the truth is **everyone of you is in admissions** or "enrollment management" as it is called these days.

People often misunderstand admissions. They think that people in admissions are in the business of "picking" or worse still, "allowing" people to join our school…we're not. If you want to get technical about it, the mandate of the admissions office is "to attract and retain mission appropriate students and families that are aligned with our values" which is just fancy, educational talk for…

"PEOPLE LIKE US... DO THINGS LIKE THIS... WANT TO JOIN US?"

This is the real work of enrolling people who "fit" with who we are at a deep level, as opposed to "admitting" people because they are "the best, the brightest, the fastest, the most artistic, the most popular - or the *most anything*."

And what exactly do "people like us" do that makes others want to join you may ask?

People like us is a teacher who remembers that one of her previous students feels anxious about storms and remembers to ask his mom if [Drew] was upset by the thunderstorm the night before.

People like us is a group of students who convinced the adults that a 30-hour "service requirement" meant this was not truly service - so we stopped counting hours and started concentrating on finding more opportunities to help.

People like us is the maintenance person who makes sure the prospective family parked in the visitor spot knows their tire is a little low on the right side.

People like us are the two Grade 11 boys who helped their advisor (me) draw cartoons for the Wine and Cheese Night and for this article.

People like us is a Grade 7 who noticed a Kindie drop her snack on the ground and offered his granola bar saying, "I'm not hungry, would you like this?"



People like us are the parents who take time off work to volunteer in the library even though there is no guarantee that they will see their own child.

People like us show up *900 shifts strong* to put on a country fair because it has become a South Surrey tradition that many children look forward to every year.

People like us is the alumni who was granted a second interview because she called the CEO "Sir."

People like us are the kids whose dentists and doctors tell me the reason they are applying is they can't get over the way "the kids who have a whale on their sweater" (usually they say 'dolphin') conduct themselves.

People like us are the parents who put treats in both staffrooms on Fridays, to help our teachers get through the final day of the week.

And finally, **people like us** is the Senior School Dad who ironed a Southridge crest onto all 32 tiny 'whale stuffies' for each new Kindergarten child this year. Mike – you are a rockstar!



That is who we are...a tribe of hardworking, dedicated, imperfect adults trying to raise great kids together. A community I'm proud to talk about everyday.

One final job for all of you... please encourage a neighbour or friend to come check us out at Junior School Open House on Thursday, October 18 or Senior School Open House on Thursday, November 8 (details on our website)

Thanks so much for all you do.

Ms. Lepp Director of Admissions



Important Dates

Event	Date	Time	Location
Senior School Mini	Thursday, September 27	6:30 pm	Senior School
School Night CUE Fair	Friday, September 28	9:00 am	Senior Gym
Senior School Course	Triday, September 20	9.00 am	Seriioi Gyiii
Change Deadline	Friday, September 28		Senior School
Casual Day	Friday, September 28	All Day	Both Schools
Leadership Experience Week	All Week	All Day	Senior School
MYP Southridge Writes Stories	Tuesday, October 2	12:35 pm	Junior School
Junior School Weekly Assembly	Wednesday, October 3	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall
MYP Assembly	Thursday, October 4	8:10 am	Junior School
Grade 6 Immunizations	Thursday, October 4	8:30 am	Junior School
Thanksgiving Holiday	Monday, October 8	All Day	Both Schools
Late Start	Tuesday, October 9	10:20 am	Both Schools
Senior Assembly	Tuesday, October 9	10:30 am	Alan Brown Great Hall
Winter Dress Uniform Begins	Tuesday, October 9	All Day	Both Schools
FSA Testing for Grades 4 and 7 Students	Tuesday, October 9		Junior School
CAT4 for Grades 2, 3, 5 and 6	Tuesday, October 9		Junior School
VAIS University Fair	Tuesday, October 9	1:00 pm	Senior School
Junior School Weekly Assembly	Wednesday, October 10	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall
Grade 7 Teach Your Parent Band Concert	Thursday, October 11	6:30 pm	Junior School Great Hall
Senior School Assembly	Monday, October 15	8:35 am	Alan Brown Great Hall
Outdoor Ed – Mountain Bike Trip	Monday, October 15	8:00 am	Senior School
School Photo Re-take Day	Tuesday, October 16	8:00 am	Junior School
Junior School Weekly Assembly	Wednesday, October 17	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall
New York Arts Trip	Thursday, October 18		Senior School
Junior School Open House	Thursday, October 18	6:00 pm	Junior School



Junior School News

Changeover to Winter Uniform is Coming

The last day for students to wear Summer Uniform is Friday, October 5. All students begin wearing Winter Uniform on Tuesday, October 9. All uniform expectations can be found in your child's Prep Book, as well as the *Family Handbook*. Winter Uniform consists of the following clothing options:

Regulation Winter Dress: worn daily and at all formal school occasions beginning on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving through to Good Friday, as follows:

Choice of:

- Green vest
- Green cardigan
- Pullover green sweater
- Navy blazer

Choice of:

- Grey dress pants with grey socks (black belt optional)
- Tunic (K-Gr. 3) or kilt (Gr. 4-7) hemmed no higher than 8 cm above the knee with black knee socks or black tights

White button-down dress shirt with school tie.

All black, polishable <u>leather</u> shoe with black molded outer sole and no obtrusive logo (heel no higher than 5 cm including sole).

October Registration is Open for After-School Clubs!

Each club is action packed! Children get to explore their creativity and learn while surrounded by an easy going, fun filled environment.

Mondays: Reaction Attraction Chemistry - Partnering with 'Science Made Fun' by Unique Minds

Tuesday: Therapeutic Art

Wednesday: Innovative thinking



Thursday: Machines - Partnering with 'Bricks 4 Kidz' for Kindergarten to Grade 5

Friday: Young Entrepreneurs

NEW Clubs Days: Friday, October 26, 2018 (Pro-D Day) and Monday, October 29, 2018

(Half-Term Holiday)

NEW After-School Clubs Program on Early Dismissal Days:

To learn more and register click here

Thank you,

Rita Rai After School Clubs Coordinator

Grade 7 Girls Volleyball at the Anaheim Tournament

Last week the Grade 7 Girls' volleyball team travelled to Anaheim, California for the St. Barbara "A" Volleyball tournament. The tournament is a Grade 7/8 "A" tournament so the teams in Southern California are always a challenge for our all Grade 7 team.

In the first day, we lost all 3 matches to Saddleback Christian School, St. Ireneaus, and had a very competitive game against Holy Family. In day 2, we played with much more confidence but lost our first match to Christ Cathedral School 21-25 and in our final match lost a nail biter to Heritage Oak 25-27. The girls came out of the tournament with much more confidence and team play and in the end saw what things they needed to develop to become a competitive volleyball team.

On our trip, we had excellent team bonding while staying in a rented house, visiting Disneyland, and attending an NCAA Division 1 Volleyball game at UC Fullerton who lost to University of Idaho.

Kirby Gallant
Junior School Director of Athletics



Senior School News

Mini-School Night

Attention parents of Senior School students! Thursday, September 27th is our Mini-School Night where you have the opportunity to meet each of your child's teachers! Please don't miss it—many parents say this is their favourite night of the year. Please check-in and pick up your child's schedule in the Senior School Gym between 6:00-6:25 pm. The main event will start in the Alan Brown Great Hall at 6:30 sharp! We look forward to seeing you tomorrow night!

London-Paris-Battlefields 2019 Tour

In case you are still interested, there are a few spots still available for the summer tour to Europe. The trip dates are June 26 to July 6 and it will take us to three European countries: England, France and Belgium.

Highlights include starting our tour in London, England. There we will visit Buckingham Palace, the Tower of London, Parliament and Big Ben, and go on the London Eye (Millennium Wheel). From London, we will take the Eurostar train to Paris, which only takes 2 hours!

In Paris we will visit the Louvre, Notre Dame Cathedral, the Arc de Triomphe, the Latin Quarter and so much more. During the Western Battlefields portion of the tour, we will go to the D-Day Beaches in Normandy, go to Dieppe, Beaumont Hamel and Vimy Ridge.

In addition, we will also spend some time in Belgium at Ypres, Passchendaele, and pay our respects at the Menin Gate ceremony. If you are interested, please contact me for details on how to apply.

Mr. Knihniski jknihniski@southridge.bc.ca 604-542-2325

Olympic Volleyball – Senior School Athletics

This year, Southridge has partnered with "Head to Head", founded by two-time Canadian Olympian, Martha McCabe. The goals of the program are to promote mental and physical wellness through Olympian led mentorship.



The Olympian paired with our school is Jamie Broder, who represented Canada in Beach Volleyball at the 2016 Olympics in Rio, Brazil. Besides her sports ability, Jamie also holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the Sauder School of Business, UBC. Throughout the fall, Jamie will be working initially with our girls' volleyball teams. Her sessions will have an on-court component as well as related modules from a curriculum. Topics include: Goal Setting, Team Culture, Resilience and Performance.

Jamie's first session was with our Senior Girls Volleyball team on September 20th. Jamie coached a full practice and jumped in to play with our girls also. Following that, Jamie went through the "Managing Nerves" curriculum including a self-reflection workbook that each player was provided with. Coach Mr. Neil said the session was "amazing, and the girls loved it!"

The program will also include linked videos and a shared folder of resources for all our students and coaches. Students will also have the opportunity to directly contact Jamie via email with their questions. Jamie will have upcoming sessions with our Grade 8 and Junior Volleyball teams in October. We are also looking forward to having Jamie as our keynote speaker at the year-end Athletic Awards Banquet.

Mr. Gordon Smith Senior School Director of Athletics

Jazz Retreat - November 1-3, Rockridge Canyon

This will be our twelfth Jazz Retreat, and we are pleased to announce that we will be returning to the beautiful Rockridge Canyon Retreat Centre in Princeton, BC. Truly, this has become a bit of a Southridge tradition! If you speak with anyone who has been in previous years, I'm sure they'll tell you it was a great time... musically and in every other way! This year's retreat will be held from Thursday through Saturday, November 1-3.

Our days will be filled with full band sessions, sectional rehearsals, as well as workshops on improvisation. Each evening, we'll be treated to a jazz jam session extraordinaire with our clinicians. Also, they'll be lots of free time for relaxing or playing a game of pool, basketball, or simply soaking up the awe-inspiring scenery. Students will stay in dormitory style accommodations.

If you are playing in one of the Jazz Bands or sing in the Choir this year, you will not want to miss this amazing retreat. The sign-up forms are now available on Schoology, and are due this <u>Friday September 28</u>th.



Parents, if you are willing to help, please email cmitchell@southridge.bc.ca. Each year, we have about 5 or 6 parents join us, to help with the younger students' cabin supervision and some of the food. The evening concerts are definitely a highlight. Any parents who have been before have certainly enjoyed the retreat.

Ms Parker, Mr. Mitchell & Mr. Burrage

Fame - The Senior Play

The Drama and Theatre Department is once again in full swing with auditions for our Senior School show, FAME! We are doing the play version but adding in our own music with the help of the talented music department. In fact, we are hoping to work collaboratively with ALL the ARTS disciplines this year to make this show a complete artistic experience! This being a costume heavy show, I am putting out a request now to all parents to raid those bins and boxes in your storage areas and bring back out some of those 1980's favourites that you just could not part with! We will need over 30 pairs of leg warmers, just to give you an idea! Please email smacgregor@southridge.bc.ca if you have anything to lend or donate. Other items we are looking for are:

- Large locking wheels
- 2 by 4 planks
- Bright colours of wall paint

This fall we will also be busy getting ready for a performance in the Remembrance Day Ceremony and for performances of Holiday Stories from around the world at the Junior School Christmas Feast and I will be looking for help with those costume and props items as well.

Volunteers Needed for Swim Meet

Southridge needs qualified stroke and turn officials for the Fraser Valley swim meet on October 25th. If you can volunteer for a morning or afternoon shift, we would really appreciate your help. Please email crodriguez-lang@southridge.bc.ca or hbeer@southridge.bc.ca.

Taking AP Courses and Examinations at Southridge

Advanced Placement courses are College Board certified courses that are recognized as the equivalent of first year university programs.



As we strive to create the best learning opportunities for our students, we offer a balanced program of Advanced Placement courses. These courses are intentionally restricted to students in Grades 11 and 12 because of the cognitive and emotional maturity required to achieve the depth of learning expected at this level of coursework.

Because of our commitment to student learning and success, Southridge will only permit students who have completed Advanced Placement courses at Southridge to take the AP exam at the school in May. We are repeatedly advised by post-secondary admissions counsellors that universities want students to take a rigorous course of study within the school's curriculum offerings; thus, we will not facilitate any AP courses or exams taken outside the school.

Currently we provide the following courses:

- AP Calculus (AB)
- AP Calculus (BC)
- AP Microeconomics
- AP Chemistry
- AP Biology
- AP Physics 1
- AP Physics 2
- AP European History
- AP Human Geography
- AP English Language & Composition
- AP English Literature & Composition
- AP French Language & Culture

Students seeking the challenge and deeper learning offered by the study of Advanced Placement courses should take them here at Southridge and immerse themselves in a discussion-based classroom where inquiry and questioning are paramount, where course content is thoughtfully and carefully covered, and where experienced faculty can fully support their learning.

Kierstan McCaw Vice Principal of Learning



University & Career Education Update

Upcoming Events for University Counselling

Canadian Universities Fair

On Friday, September 28 at 9:00 am, Southridge will be welcoming representatives from over 50 colleges and universities in Canada to our Senior Gymnasium for the annual Canadian Universities Event (CUE). All Grade 10, 11 & 12 students will be assigned a time to attend the fair between 9:00 am and 10:30 am. Parents can also attend if they wish to see the fair in action. In Career Education classes, students are prepped for questions to ask and information that will be provided. Contact Ms. Livingston for further details about this event.

U.S. College Fair

The annual U.S. College Fair is held at West Point Grey Academy on the afternoon of Thursday, October 11th. Students were required to signup for a seat on the bus that will leave for WPGA around noon that day. The bus will return by 4:00 pm. If there any questions, Mrs. Becker can provide further details about this fair.

The 2019 University Recruiting Season

From October to mid-November each year, University representatives visit Southridge for individual information session for the grads to assist them with program information and application procedures. The visits are posted on Naviance and parents are welcome to attend. We have already had the University of Saskatchewan here as well as Western Ivey School of Business and in the coming weeks, Carleton, U of Calgary, U of Alberta, McGill, UBC, U Southern California, U of Chicago, NYU, Boston, Claremont McKenna will be at our school. More visits are being added each week. A list of dates/times will be available at Career Ed table during Mini-School Night on Thursday.

Upcoming Events for Career Education

LEW and Career Exploration Monday's Lew

A predominant theme for our Leadership Experience Week (LEW) for Grade 11s and 12s is Career information, research and experience. On Monday, October 1st, Southridge will be welcoming over 25 speakers from various professions and industries who will be presenting information about their education and career journey. All Grade 11s and 12s choose their top 5 careers of interest and rotate through 40 minute sessions throughout the day. We are also excited to welcome Mr. Tony Botelho from Career Services at SFU who will kick-start our day with a fun and engaging keynote.



Tuesday's Lew

While the Grade 12 students head to their Grad Retreat, Grade 11 students will spend a day at a worksite or industry getting the opportunity to see their career of interest in action. Some examples of the options the Grade 11 students can sign up for include:

- 1. UBC Brain Centre for medical research
- 2. Dialog Design, Architectural Engineering Design and Technologies
- 3. CBC Studios & SFU Goldgorp Theatre
- 4. Surrey Provincial Law Courts includes meetings with judges, bailiff, lawyer and court watching experience
- 5. Fraser Animal Hospital watching surgical procedure
- 6. Cascade Aerospace Electronics and Aerospace engineering
- 7. Vancouver Landfill exploring the fascinating world of how our garbage is handled from a chemical engineering and environmental science perspective
- 8. Hootsuite & Microsoft Garage Touring 2 exciting technology and social media companies
- 9. Coast Capital understanding financial/banking industry

Grade 11 students are being challenged to find their way to their worksite location where they will meet up with a teacher who will accompany them on the visit. Informed Consent Letters need to be signed by parents and returned to Ms. Livingston.

Summer Career Experiences (part 2)

Last week, I profiled a number of our Grade 11 and 12 students who participated in some of the summer programs that are available that provide exciting and enjoyable opportunities to experience a potential career or educational pathway. I am still looking for students who have a story to tell about their summer experiences.

Several of our students were able to participate in Gap Medics a program based in the UK dedicated to providing summer work experience placements abroad to students 16 years and over. There are placements in Europe, Africa, and the Caribbean and offer the opportunity to gain insight into the work of doctors, nurses, physician assistants, midwives and dentists before beginning clinical training. Students receive beneficial experience to help with university applications and interviews, as well as learn more about their future profession.



McKenna Gill, Gap Medics, Dominican Republic

"This summer, I had the amazing opportunity to shadow doctors in the Dominican Republic, through a program called Gap Medics. During my two weeks at the hospital I was able to spend time in the emergency room, the pediatrics ward, labour and delivery, and the operating room. Each day I got to experience something completely new and eye-opening, which is one of the reasons why my time there was so valuable.

One day in the emergency room we saw a man brought in who had been shot, which, while sad, we got to see how a traumatic injury would get treated in the ER. Another day, I saw a cesarean section, and also saw the post birth care of the baby. This is a work experience that is invaluable to anyone who is thinking of medicine as a career. It truly gave me a firsthand look at what life would be like working in a hospital. I met some great kids from all around the world, experienced the culture, and had a very unique work experience."

Both Schools

Just Announced: "The Heart of Us" Gala (November 17)



Saturday, November 17th

We are excited to announce details for the Southridge Annual Gala...

Our Gala committee has been busy planning over the summer and they have chosen a theme for this year's event – "The Heart of Us". This theme supports and celebrates our remarkable kids!



"Students are the heart of Southridge.

They are at the core of every decision we make, and every action that we take."

"The Heart of Us" Gala will be held on Saturday, November 17th in the Senior School Gymnasium and it promises to be a very special evening of fun and fundraising! Guests will not only have the chance to connect with other parents and friends, they will also enjoy a cocktail reception, indulge in a beautifully abundant buffet dinner, take home incredible live and silent auction packages, and get to dance the night away!

Funds raised will support the purchase of essential capital items that enrich the lives of students here at Southridge, so we invite you to contribute generously!

Here's How:

- 1. **Donate an item or service** the auction is an incredibly popular part of the evening and plays a major role in the financial success of the Gala. Please consider donating:
 - Tickets to a sporting event or concert
 - Gift certificates to your favorite restaurant, spa or sporting store
 - Your family's ski/summer retreat or timeshare
 - Gift baskets filled with your favourite spa products or home decor items
 - A product or service from your family or friend's business
 - Bottles of your favorite wine or drink

No item is too small! Make your donation now.

- Purchase a table or buy tickets to attend the Gala is perhaps our most anticipated fundraiser of the year and it's sold-out for the last two years. So, if you want to join us for the 2018 event, please don't delay! Guests will enjoy an amazing array of food throughout the evening, provided by our Official Dinner Sponsor, Blank Canvas Catering (a division of <u>The Joseph Richard Group</u>). Purchase tickets now.
- 3. **Become a Gala Sponsor** you, your company or your organized group of friends (like 'The Oriental Pearls') can support the Gala by making a charitable donation to ensure its success. Sponsors are prominently recognized throughout



the evening as well as in the 2018-19 Annual Report. <u>Confirm your sponsorship</u>, today!

4. **Volunteer** – as with any event, it takes 'many hands' to make sure it goes off 'without a hitch'. From set-up and take down, to registration, to selling bar tickets or helping with check-out – there's a variety of jobs available and all are equally important! We need your help. Sign up as a volunteer now.

The success of the Gala will be due to the incredible support of our school families who generously support *the heart of us*. **Please let us know how you would like to participate soon!**

Visit the Gala website for more details.

With thanks,

Your 2018 Gala Committee (Sandeep Bhatha, Brenda Eichorst, Anneka Gill, Tammy Huculak Hart, Heidi Luking, Jen Martin, and Stephanie Schmidt)

Citizens of Southridge: We need YOUR nominations!

Citizens of Southridge is a student led initiative highlighting Southridge Students who are awesome citizens in their own communities. Founded by former school captains, it has grown to become an incredible platform for all members of our community, from students to teachers to parents.

What do we do?

Each month, 2 students, 1 boy and 1 girl, 1 senior school student and 1 junior school student, are selected to be featured on our instagram page. Featured students have shown outstanding commitment to, and achievement in, an extracurricular activity that they take part in OUTSIDE of school; this could be anything from piano to mountain biking to origami!

Here's what we need from you...

Nominees! All members of the Southridge community are welcome and encouraged to nominate students who they think deserve to be featured on the Citizens of Southridge page. Don't be shy! Feel free to brag! We want your nominations! Email us at



<u>citizens@southridge.bc.ca</u> to make your nominations, ask questions, and get involved. And be sure to follow our Instagram page (@citizensofsouthridge) to check out our posts!

We're excited to receive all of your nominations and hear about the array of amazing things that Southridge students are getting up to! Don't hesitate to email us if you have any questions:)

Dilly Cooner and Richard Xiang Citizens of Southridge Team

Junior School Volunteer Opportunities

Hot Lunch Volunteers Still Needed!

Do you have a child in PYP? We are still looking for 5—8 hot lunch volunteers to commit to a shift once every 2 weeks. Shifts are from 11:15 am – 11:45 am, and volunteers will work in groups of four, each helping to serve two classes. If you are unable to commit to a year-long schedule, you can always sign up as an On-Call Volunteer. On-call volunteers will be contacted to fill in when a volunteer cannot fulfill their scheduled shift. If you are interested in either position, please contact southridgehotlunchhelp@gmail.com so you can be placed on the team that works best for you!

Sign Up Today!

Similar to previous years, volunteer positions are posted online through the Parent Portal, and you can sign up through the Volunteer Corner by clicking on the orange 'Volunteer Now' button. Please check out the Galaxy FAQ section attached file for additional information about signing up using the new volunteer system.

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

Thank you so much for volunteering!

The Volunteer Committee

Photo Day Orders and Retake Day

Photo day was September 19. Please visit https://artona.com/schools/SRIS to purchase photo packages. Photos ordered by September 28 will be shipped to the School on October 5. Photo re-take day will take place on October 16 in the morning.



Welcome to Vidigami for 2018-2019

I'm happy to report that, thanks to Andrew Wong's (our Database Manager) efforts, we are now ready to launch Vidigami for this year. You will be receiving an email invitation to log onto Vidigami shortly. You can log on with your old credentials for those of you who were on Vidigami in previous years. For new parents, you will receive your log on credentials in the email. It will include a temporary password that you can change once you log on.

You may also want to upload the Vidigami app to your phone as it provides quick access to all the albums and even a way to create an album in the appropriate group and then upload your photos straight from your phone to the album in Vidigami.

For new parents, you may be wondering what is Vidigami? It is a password protected website (www.vidigami.com) that is exclusive to the Southridge community for uploading and sharing photos. When you log on, you will see it is organized by Grades, Athletics, Arts, Events, Clubs, Junior and Senior Schools. Within each of these groups, you create albums and upload photos to them. Vidigami's powerful feature is that you can tag students in the photos so that they show up as collections for the parents. As you or others tag your children's photos, they will show up as collections for you to enjoy. This also allows you to search by student name for photos of that student. You can also create "Sets" of virtual collections for projects. These Sets are private for yourself. Vidigami has a great support portal with lots of "how to" videos and documentation to help you become a proficient user. It has been designed to be easy to use though.

Our Grade 8 -12 students were invited to participate in Vidigami last year and again for this year. They will be allowed to create albums and upload photos. It is also hoped that they will help with tagging to ensure that all students are identified in the photos. By inviting the students to participate, it is hoped that we will capture more of the many wonderful photos that our many talented student photographers take inside school and on trips.

If we all upload our photos to Vidigami, we will create a wealth of photos to choose from for Yearbook, Grad Books, Full School Assembly presentations, and school projects. Not to mention, the joy you will receive by having access to beautiful photos of your children while at Southridge.

For any technical help with Vidigami you can ask Steve Anderson, the Junior School Education Technology Leader or Heather Mosher, the Senior School Education Technology Leader. I am also happy to help you with any log on or general use questions you may have.



I look forward to a very well photo documented year.

Alan McInnes Manager, Web and AV Services amcinnes@southridge.bc.ca

Student Café Accounts

We hope that your children have had an opportunity to sample the freshly made food in our Café as prepared by Sage. The reviews have been great! If you have not yet seen the variety of food offered for breakfast and lunch, have a look at the menus for the upcoming weeks until the Christmas break. They can be accessed in the parent portal https://www.southridge.bc.ca/parent-portal/cafe-hot-lunch under Café & Hot Lunch along with lists of ingredients and specific allergen filters. Chef Gary is available to discuss any of your allergy concerns, either in person or at sage@southridge.bc.ca

If your students are enjoying the great food at the Café, you must ensure that there are sufficient funds in their Café account. As of October 1st, they will no longer be able to make a purchase on account without a sufficient balance of money in that account. You may easily deposit funds into your child's account by logging onto the My Kids Spending account at www.mykidsspending.com and making a deposit via credit card or e-check. The credit card payment does have a service fee, but the e-check transfer does not. Alternatively, you can drop off cheque payable to Southridge School, or cash, to the Senior School reception. Ensure that the cheque or cash envelope includes the student name, ID, and 'for Café' clearly marked. If there are any questions regarding deposits, please email Ms. Phala Tan at ptan@southridge.bc.ca

Happy and Healthy Eating!

Uniform Shop News

Just a reminder that winter uniform starts on Tuesday, October 9. Please make sure your children have all the required items and that they still fit.

Regular hours are:

- Monday Thursday: 7:45 9:00 am and 2:00 4:00 pm (On days with late start, we open only in the afternoon.)
- · Friday: Closed

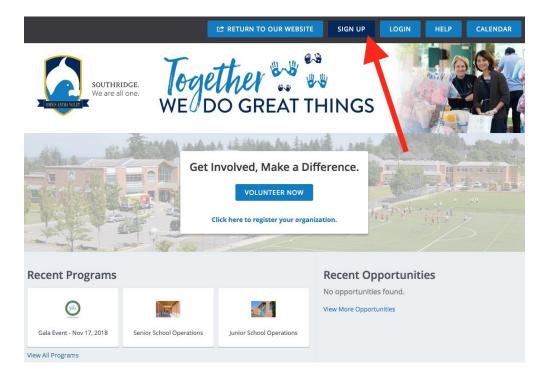


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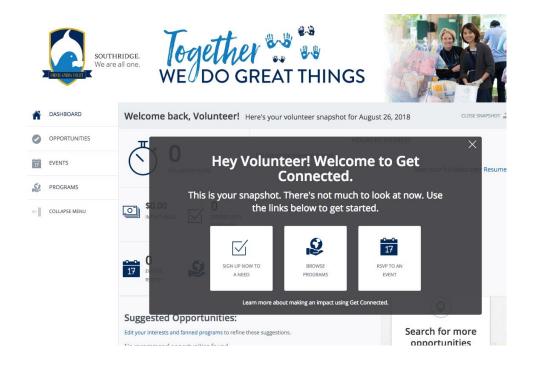
Volunteering at Southridge - Signing up through Galaxy!

STEP 1:

Getting started on the new Southridge Volunteer system is quick and easy! Go to https://southridgebc.galaxydigital.com. Click on the "Sign Up" button at the top.

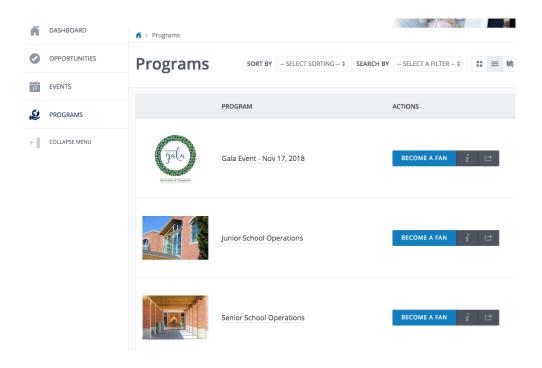


You can create your account with your email, or through your Facebook account. Once you've created your account, you will move to the dashboard:



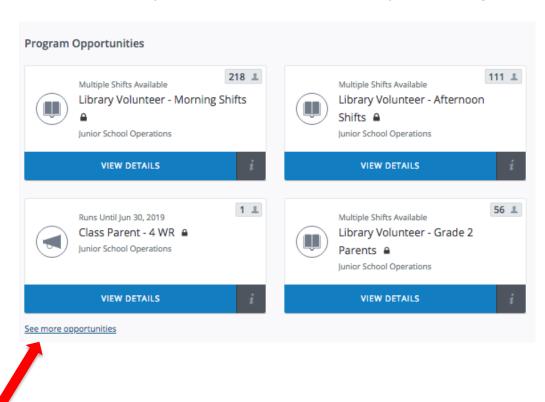
STEP 2:

On the dashboard screen, you can select "Sign up Now to a Need" or "Browse Programs", both are accessible on the left hand menus as "Opportunities" and "Programs" as well. By selecting "Programs" the volunteer opportunities will automatically be categorized for you.



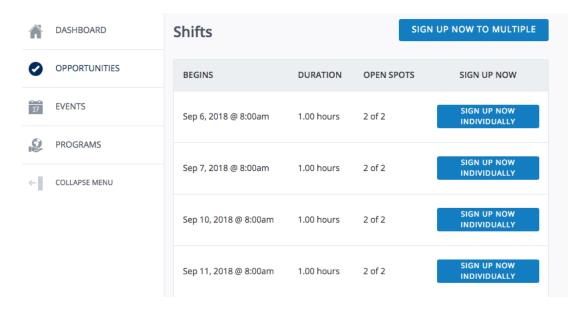
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Simply select the applicable program, then browse the volunteer needs. Don't forget the "see more opportunities" button if you don't see the volunteer position you are looking for!

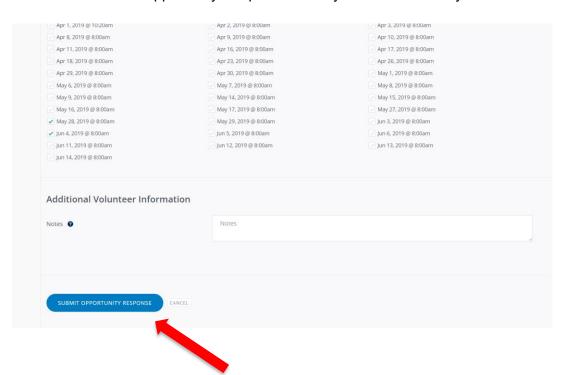


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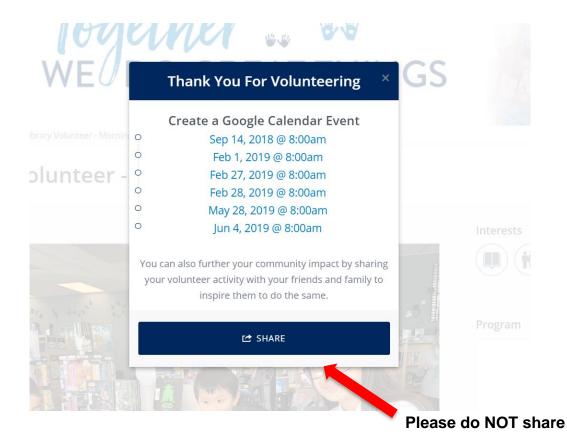
Once you have found the volunteer opportunity you are looking for, click on "View Details". You can then sign up for a single shift or multiple shifts.



STEP 5:Be sure to click on "Submit Opportunity Response" once you have selected your desired shifts.



The system will summarize the opportunities you have selected and may give you the option of adding it to your google calendar (only if you selected a specific shift).



You will also be asked to 'Share' this information on social media. This is an automatic feature of the Galaxy system that we cannot turn off. Please **do not** share your volunteering on social media. We really don't want your friends, neighbours or second cousins signing up to serve hot lunch*.

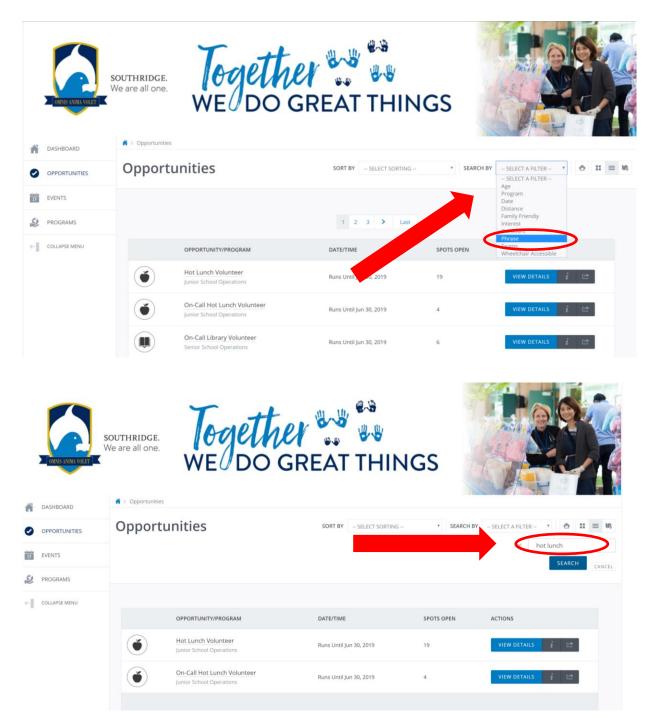
If you have any questions, please contact Sherry Hu at shu@southridge.bc.ca or by phone at 604-542-2303.

*Of course, if a non-parent does sign-up, we won't actually allow them to serve hot lunch. ©

Volunteering at Southridge – Looking up volunteer opportunities

Step 1:

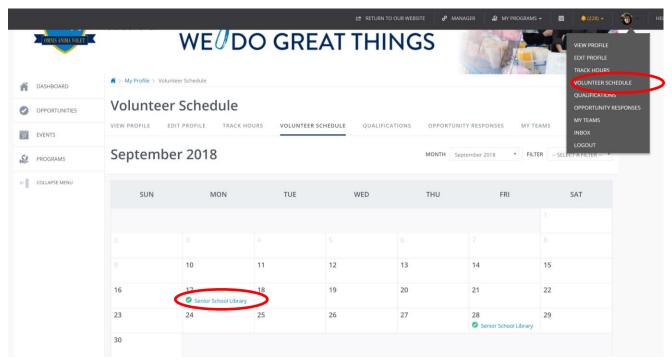
After creating an account and logging in (https://southridgebc.galaxydigital.com), click on 'Opportunities'. You can search for a specific opportunity like "hot lunch" or "playground" by selecting 'Phrase' in the 'Search By' list. Type in the key word(s) and any opportunity that includes that word will appear.



Volunteering at Southridge – Modifing your volunteer schedule

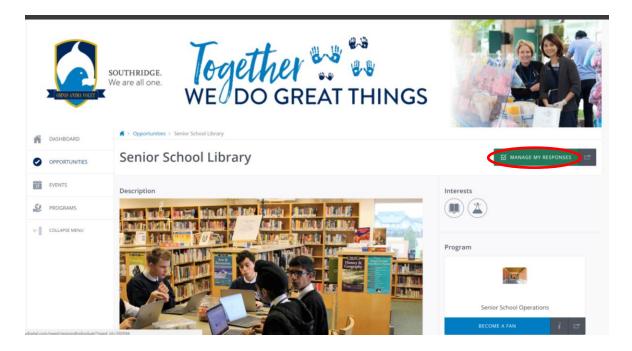
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Galaxy has a great calendar feature that you can use to confirm or change your volunteer schedule. To access your calendar, click on your profile photo (or initials) on the top right corner, then select 'Volunteer Schedule' from the drop-down menu.

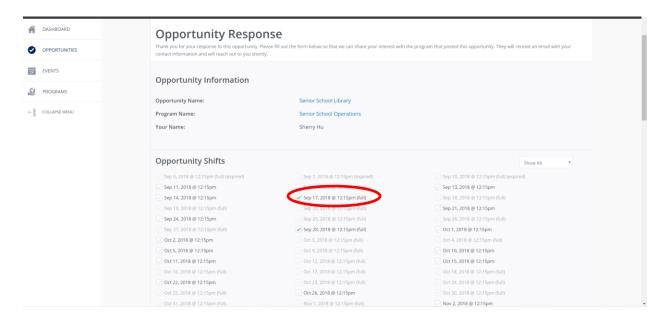


Step 2:

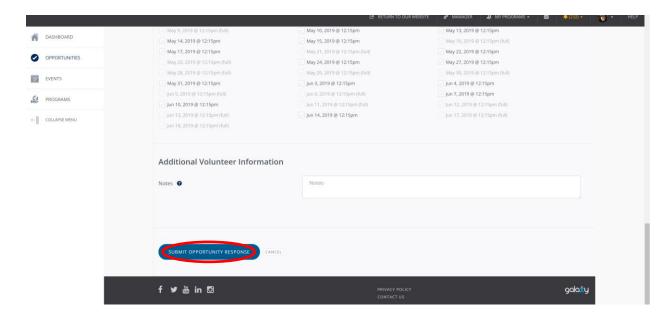
From the calendar view, click on a shift (in blue writing with a green check mark). If you don't see any writing in the calendar, you haven't signed up for anything yet for that month. On the next page, click on the green button, 'MANAGE MY RESPONSES'.



Step 3: Un-check green check marks to remove specific shift(s) from your schedule.



Step 4:Remember to click on the blue button, 'SUBMIT OPPORTUNITY RESPONSE' at the bottom of the page. This will 'save' your cancellations.



Alternatively, you can click on the green button, 'UNREGISTER', to remove yourself from an opportunity.



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