

Weekly Voice

Emergency Preparedness at Southridge

The most important part of any school community is safety! In order for effective learning and social emotional development to take place, students, staff and parents need to know that their school prides itself in upholding the highest standard of safety for its young people under its care. A huge part of providing a safe learning experience is mitigating risk by providing rules and guidelines that lessen the likelihood of an emergency event. Nonetheless, in the case of such an event, we must be prepared with the capacity to respond quickly and efficiently. It is easy to think of emergencies as responses to sickness and injuries and those caused by "Acts of God" such as earthquakes or fire, however, emergencies can result from a huge range of less obvious causes such as an unfamiliar person on campus, cyber-attacks on school systems or a bus accident on a school trip.

First Line of Defence

It should be noted that the "first line of defence" in the case of an emergency could be any one of us. Students and parents are encouraged to be vigilant when on campus and report any observations that appear to be a safety risk. This could be an unfamiliar person on campus or a broken piece of equipment that poses a safety risk. A few years ago, there was a medical emergency in the upper hallway of the Senior School prior to the school day. In the seconds before a teacher appeared on scene, a group of students had already called 911 and had begun to perform basic First Aid. In such cases, students should be applauded for their initiative and resourcefulness.

Drills

The British Columbia Ministry of Education legislates that we perform six fire drills, three earthquake drills and two lockdown drills every year. Before I was in charge of the risk management portfolio, I was sometimes frustrated with what seemed like a tedious number of drills. However, as one of individuals who helps oversee risk at Southridge, I now realize the importance of scheduling and performing drills to the best of our abilities. Over time, drills expose weaknesses and help us to tweak our procedures in order to help make the school safer. It has been shown that in a true emergency, drills save lives. This is exemplified by the fact that the last fire related fatality in a Canadian



school was in 1951. Also, as a result of drills and checklists, students and staff are less likely to "freeze" on the spot and can easily follow a checklist of procedures found in each classroom.

Facilities Team

Finally if you see a member of the facilities, thank them for their hard work in keeping the school safe. They work tirelessly behind the scenes keeping the school in top shape by getting the school ready for students following inclement weather, helping to clean up spills and accidents and safely setting up equipment and removing or fixing debris which may pose a risk.

Risk Management Committee and Critical Incident Team

Each month a group consisting of administrative staff, teachers and board members meet to discuss safety at Southridge. At these meetings, protocol is reviewed, incidents are discussed and up-to-date relevant case studies from other public and private schools in North America are presented. Immediately following an emergency, Southridge also has a Critical Incident Team in place which can draw on a variety of talent such as counselling, communication, finance, and facilities to quickly adapt and create plans specific to the emergency incident.

Together we have created a community that is safe and fun for Southridge students to grow and learn, and one that I am confident is well prepared to efficiently deal with emergencies.

Norman Dods Risk Manager



Important Dates

Event	Date	Time	Location
MYP Musical Evening	Wednesday, March 13	6:30 pm	Junior School Great Hall
Grade 8 World Religions Field Trip	Thursday, March 14	All Day	Senior School
Casual Day	Friday, March 15	All Day	Both Schools
Junior School Design Day	Friday, March 15	All Day	Junior School
MYP Assembly	Friday, March 15	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall
Senior School End of Term Assembly	Friday, March 15	8:30 am	Alan Brown Great Hall
Term 2 Report Cards	Friday, March 15		Junior School
Cambodia Service Trip	Saturday, March 16 – Wednesday, March 27		Senior School
Guatemala Service Trip	Sunday, March 17 – Tuesday, March 25		Senior School
Spring Break	Monday, March 18 – Friday, March 29		Both Schools
Late Start	Monday, April 1	10:20 am	Both Schools
Terry Small Study Skills Seminar	Monday, April 1	10:30 am	Junior School Great Hall
Junior School Assembly	Wednesday, April 3	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall
Euclid Math Contest	Wednesday, April 3		Senior School
Semiahmoo Dance Performance for Grade 3 and 4	Friday, April 5	10:30 am	Junior School Great Hall
Ivey Western Business Case Competition	Saturday, April 6	8:00 am	Senior School
Junior School Assembly	Wednesday, April 10	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall
Senior School House Captain Election	Thursday, April 11		Senior School
K-7 Dance Workshops Begin in PE Classes	Friday, April 12		Junior School
Musical Moment Benefit Concert	Friday, April 12	7:00 pm	Alan Brown Great Hall
Good Friday Holiday	Friday, April 19	All Day	Both Schools
Easter Monday Holiday	Monday, April 22	All Day	Both Schools
Summer Uniform Begins	Tuesday, April 23		Both Schools



Junior School News

Spring Break - Saturday, March 16 - Sunday, March 31, 2019

Students will be dismissed at 3:00 pm for Spring Break on Friday, March 15. Report cards will be accessible by 3:30 pm in The Ridge on Friday, March 15. Classes resume with a late start on Monday, April 1 (no joke!) at 10:25 am. Please do not drop your child off at the school prior to 10:10 am as there is no supervision until that time. Faculty and staff are engaged in meetings.

Casual Day for Games Prizes at our Fair!

On **Friday, March 15th**, we have a **Casual Day** in the Junior School. This month, we are asking **every student to bring in a minimum \$2 donation**, which will be put towards Country Fair games prizes. These funds will be used to purchase fun and interesting prizes for the lucky winners of the indoor games during our Fair on May 4th. Proceeds from the indoor games, combined with other areas of the Fair, help us raise approximately \$40,000 to \$50,000 annually for important projects around the school. We hope you'll take part!

Jo-Ann Murchie
PYP Service Coordinator

Step in Time to see Mary Poppins—before time runs out!

A huge thank you to everyone who has made this year's MYP musical, Mary Poppins Junior, such a success! We are very proud of the Grade 5, 6, and 7 students for their amazing work in bringing this classic musical to life with such enthusiasm and heart. Thank you, MYP students, for your commitment and energy throughout the rehearsal process.

We would also like to thank the entire Southridge School community for your support. Thank you to Ms. Redies, Ms. Janzen, and the MYP Art Club for the beautiful sets that brought Cherry Tree Lane and the parks and rooftops of London alive; to Mr. McInnes, Mr. Anderson, Briana Lu, and the Junior School tech team for running sound and lights for such a complex production with flexibility and grace; and to the amazing Southridge Facilities team for their time and effort in setting up the staging, sets, and wings. An extra-special thanks to parent volunteers Haisha Shahalimi, Sabrina Pawa, and Dana Watson for their visioning and implementation of the amazing costumes, and to Dr. Kara Partovi for her stunning photography of the cast and crew! We couldn't have done it without you all!



If you haven't yet had a chance to see this toe-tapping musical, there's one final chance this evening. The show starts at 6:30 pm in the Junior School Great Hall, and no tickets are required. We hope that you and your families are able to join us for a supercalifragilistic expialidocious performance!

Thank you!

Dr. Kevin Bespflug, Mrs. Donna Winterburn, and Madame Christine Sullivan The MYP Musical Team

Term 3 After-School Clubs Registration is Now Open!

Term 3 focuses on "maker mindset" - if you can think it, you can make it! Children are natural "makers", with their curiosity and wonder, all they need is the "makerspace" to create and transform the intangible to tangible.

- Monday KEVA planks and STEM
- Tuesday Yoga for Kids
- Wednesday Outdoor Earth Science Lab
- Thursday STEM to STEAM
- Friday Do It Yourself (DIY) Projects

Clubs Day scheduled Friday, May 17th - Pro-D Day is Now Open for Registration! We will be open from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

To learn more or to register please <u>click here.</u>

Term 3 Junior School Athletics Schedules

Term three Junior Athletics will begin after Spring Break. The only sport that begins this week is the Grade 6/7 girl's soccer tryouts.

Grade 3-7 Track & Field

Practices:

Every Tuesday and Thursdays 3:15-4:15 pm

Track Meets:



- Tuesday, April 9th Grade 5-7 Mini Meet @ South Surrey Track: 11-2pm
- Thursday, April 18th Grade 3-4 Mini Meet @ South Surrey Track: 11-2pm
- Thursday, April 25th Vancouver Elementary Track Meet @ UBC Track: 9-4 pm
- Saturday, May 11th Eagle Classic @ Maple Ridge Secondary School: 9 am-5:30 pm
- Tuesday, May 21st ISEA's Track & Field Championships @ South Surrey Track: 9-4 pm

Grade 5 Girls Soccer

Practices:

Every Wednesday and Fridays 3:15-4:15 pm

Game Schedule:

- Tuesday, April 16th Grade 5 Girls Soccer Games @ Southridge: 3:30-5:00 pm (All Teams)
- Tuesday, April 30th Grade 5 Girls Soccer Games @ Jericho Field- WPGA: 1:30-3 pm (All Teams)
- Tuesday, May 7th Grade 5 Girls Soccer Games @ Southpointe: 3:30-4:30 pm (vs. Southpointe)
- Tuesday, May 14th Grade 5 Girls Soccer Playday @ Southridge: 9 am-2:00 pm

Grade 6/7 Girls Soccer

Practices:

Every Wednesday and Fridays 3:15-4:15 pm

Game Schedule:

- Wednesday, April 10th Grade 6/7 Girls Soccer Game @ Southridge: 3:30-4:30 pm vs. WPGA
- Tuesday, April 23rd Grade 6/7 Girls Soccer Game @ Southridge: 3:30-4:30 pm vs. Collingwood
- Monday, April 29th Grade 6/7 Girls Soccer Game @ Southridge: 3:30-4:30 pm vs. Southpointe



- Tuesday, April 30th -- Grade 6/7 Girls Soccer Game @ Collingwood: 2:00-3:00 pm vs. Collingwood
- Monday, May 6th -- Grade 6/7 Girls Soccer Game @ Jericho Field: 2:00-3:00 pm vs. WPGA
- Tuesday, May 14th Grade 6/7 Girls Soccer Championships @ Southridge: 9 am-2:00 pm

Grade 5-7 Ultimate

Practices:

Every Tuesday and Thursdays 3:15-4:15 pm Added practices on Mon, Apr. 1st and Monday, April 8th with a guest Ultimate coach.

Game Schedule:

- Wednesday, April 17th Grade 5-7 Ultimate Game @ Winona Park: 3:30-4:45 pm vs. All Teams
- Wednesday, April 24rd Grade 5-7 Ultimate Game @ Southridge: 3:30-4:45 pm vs. All Teams
- Wednesday, May 1st

 Grade 5-7 Ultimate Game @ Winona Park: 3:30-4:45 pm vs. All Teams
- Wednesday, May 8th Grade 5-7 ISEA Ultimate Championships @ Winona Park: 9:30-3:00 pm
- Wednesday, May 15th Grade 5-7 Ultimate Game @ Winona Park: 3:30-4:45 pm vs. All Teams

Senior School News

Intermediate Reach for the Top Team Wins Silver

I would like to acknowledge the members of the junior Reach for the Top team. We have over 10 students in Grades 8 through 10 who meet regularly on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon. They are a light-hearted group of keen and intelligent students who come together for comradery, good snacks and a desire to answer questions about a whole myriad of subjects.



On Friday, March 8th, eight of the junior players (Sam, Keith, Jayden, Ciaran, Laurier, Matthew, Emile, and Jack) were able to represent Southridge at the provincial **Reach for the Top** tournament that was held this year at St. Georges School in Vancouver. They finished first after round-robin play having answered more questions correctly than any other school in B.C. and moved on to the elimination rounds.

As we hoped and expected, they found themselves in a nail-biter of a final match with the host team. In the end, they walked away with their heads held high and a silver medal hanging from their necks. They are to be congratulated for their effort and dedication to the team.

I cannot say enough about these students' integrity, commitment and sense of fun. We have had a great year and I look forward to playing again in September.

Mme Mullen







Math Challengers

On Saturday, February 23rd, ten Grade 8 and six Grade 9 students travelled to UBC to compete in the Math Challengers Lower Mainland Regional competition. The Math Challengers program is a provincial math contest that encourages enrichment in mathematics, problem-solving, and teamwork.

Our Grade 8 Team consisting of Ryan Gao, Emile Lalonde, Sherry Liu, Puja Mishra, and Emma Yao placed 2nd in their pool and have been invited to participate in the Provincial competition on April 6th at UBC. Additionally, Sherry Liu placed 3rd in the individual competition in the pool.

Congratulations to all students involved! A big thank you to the coaches, Ms. Lai, Ms. Menzies, and Mr. Monga for helping to prepare the students and to the parents for supporting the students at the competition.

Heather Morris
Math Department Curriculum Leader



Sherry Liu, 3rd Place



Grade 8 Math Challengers Team



Business Case Academy – After-School Club, led by Ms. Livingston

On March 5th, two teams of Grade 11 students completed the 10 week SFU Business Case Academy held on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 4:15 pm. They engaged in exercises and assignments and presented their analysis of the assigned business case to a team of judges made up of Ms. Livingston, Mr. Fazackerley and Mr. Shaw. The academy is modelled after the case method approach which is the primary teaching method used by business and commerce university-level programs in Canada.

We congratulate the following students on successful completion of the program: Ben Anderson, Connor Bell, Arjan Dhaliwal, Matthew Gu, Mizan Hemani, Louis Kim, Jaden Leach, Judy Li, Melody Li and Eva Lofing.

The students are now signing up to participate as team members in the upcoming university-sponsored, high school business case competitions:

- 1. Ivey Western, High School Business Case Competition, hosted by Southridge on Saturday, April 6th
- 2. North Surrey Secondary/SFU Invitational Business Case Competition, hosted by North Surrey Secondary School on Sunday, April 7th



Shown in the picture are (L to R): Louis Kim, Ben Anderson, Ms. Livingston, Eva Lofing and Mizan Hemani



University Counselling and Career Education Update

Southridge University Counselling is pleased to present two evening events in April – mark your calendar for:

1. "Having the Money Talk: Raising Financially Literate Teens" Come to this special evening talk that follows along from the principles and skills that students are taught as part of the Career Education curriculum. Learn some practical tips and approaches to discussing the topic of money with your teen in order to empower them to become financially prepared and wise stewards of money.

WHEN: Wednesday, April 10th

TIME: 7:00 pm

WHERE: Senior School Alan Brown Great Hall

OPEN TO: Parents of Senior School students (Grade 11 parents are particularly encouraged to come and hear about the financial literacy workshop that is delivered as part of Career Education 11)

2. "Cracking the Code" A customized presentation of the US college/university process for international students by Peter Van Buskirk, Author and Motivational Speaker and Former Dean of Admission in the US

WHEN: Thursday, April 25th

TIME: 7:00 pm

WHERE: Junior School Great Hall OPEN TO: All Students and Parents

Thinking About Summer Program Experiences at Universities?

This is the time to review summer program options that are offered at colleges and universities. Some examples are:

- Oxbridge Summer Programs https://oxbridgeprograms.com/
- McGill Summer Academy <u>www.mcgill.ca/summeracademy</u>
- Cornell University Summer College <u>www.summercollege.cornell.edu</u>
- Johns Hopkins Summer Pre-College https://www.jhu.edu/academics/summer-programs/
- University of Toronto Summer Youth Program http://ysp.utoronto.ca/
- King's College, London https://www.kcl.ac.uk/study/summer

This is a sample list – there are many universities that open their campuses in the summer for high school students to experience lectures and life in a post-secondary program.



Having the Money Talk: Raising Financially Prepared Teens

Date: Wednesday, April 10th, 2019

Time: 7 pm

Location: Junior School Great Hall

Every parent at some point probably has "the talk" (as in, the birds and the bees) with their teen, but not every parent attempts "the money talk." At times it is because some parents fear that talking about money with their teens will open up a Pandora's Box of other problems. The reality, however, is that not talking openly about money can create false expectations which can lead to fear and/or entitlement.

As teens transition into university and life after high school in the "real world", it is an ideal time to lay the vital groundwork for a stable financial foundation so that teens will have confidence around money and mature into adulthood with a healthy relationship with their finances.

Teens are often ill-equipped with basic financial literacy skills that can often make the difference between being able to live on their own and make wise choices about money or constantly being dependent on the bank of mom and dad for their day to day survival.

Taught by experts and pioneers in the field of heirs and beneficiary education, this workshop provides a safe space to teach principles and concept to help parents have the money talk.

In this session parents will learn:

- How to create safe spaces for talking about money with their teens in order to build confidence and a healthy relationship with money.
- Why it's important to start communicating about inter-generational family wealth as they transition into post-secondary education.
- Learn tools and strategies to empower your teens as they transition to university and life on their own.



Alphil J. Guilaran



Alphil co-founded the Financial Literacy Counsel (FLC) in 1999 out of a passion and a commitment to financially preparing generations through financial education and financial counselling.

Alphil and his team specialize in heirs and beneficiary education in order to train the next generation valuable lessons in stewardship and how to make responsible financial decisions. Their programs are sought after from affluent families because they are able create a natural dialogue between parents and their children. The children are given interactive challenges that will prepare them for real life situations.

FLC's programs have been taught to affluent families and in settings such as St George's School, York House School, Southridge School, Pacific Academy, Vancouver Coastal Health, Fraser Health, Canadian Sports Institute, Hockey Canada, CPA-BC, CLE-BC, BC Doctors of Optometry, Vancouver Divisons, UBC Medicine and UBC CPD.

Alphil graduated from the University of British Columbia in 2000 and his work experience includes portfolio management research and compliance at RBC Capital Markets and fixed income research and business development at CIBC World Markets. He is also a lifetime qualifying member of the Million Dollar Roundtable which recognizes leading financial professionals from around the world.



Cracking the Code – the U.S. College Admission Process



Guest Speaker: Peter Van Buskirk

The University Counselling Centre is pleased to announce that Mr. Peter Van Buskirk is returning to Southridge to share his knowledge and expertise about the US college admission process.

Date: Thursday, April 25

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Junior School Great Hall

An industry analyst, thought leader, and student advocate, Peter cuts insightfully through conventional rhetoric and hyperbole to promote a healthy, student-centered, collegegoing process for families of all backgrounds.

His experiences as a recruiter and evaluator of talent, admission strategist, director of athletics, and executive officer in the office of the provost position him uniquely to share a truly holistic perspective on college planning with families. Now, an author, in-demand motivational speaker and workshop leader, Peter founded Best College Fit as a means of bringing transparency to the college admission process and helping students position themselves to achieve their educational goals. He has presented his creative programming to more than 2,000 audiences worldwide.

Peter spent more than 25 years in selective college admission including twelve as Dean of Admission at Franklin & Marshall College before joining Peterson's where he served as Vice President for College Planning Solutions. He attended Harvard's Management Development Program and is a 40-year member of the National Association of College Admission Counseling. https://www.bestcollegefit.com/

Both Schools

Country Fair is Just Around the Corner!

If you haven't done it already, **open your calendar and add "Country Fair" to Saturday, May 4**th. For 24 years, this event has been the one "all-hands-on-deck" event at Southridge and we need your help!

We are asking every family to volunteer for a minimum of two shifts (one pre-fair shift and one fair-day shift). Shifts are already filling up, so please don't wait to sign up!



If you haven't yet created an account in our new online volunteer registration system (Galaxy), you can find the <u>instructions here</u> and attached to the Southridge Wednesday (you need to have an account set up before signing up for shifts). Thank you for your help in ensuring a safe and fun event for all!

It's also time to **start that spring cleaning** in preparation for **drop-off week, which starts on Saturday, April 27**th. We collect books, toys, clothing, household items, furniture... what a great opportunity to de-clutter your home for a good cause – your child's school!

Unfortunately, we cannot accept everything. Items like car seats, mattresses, helmets, etc. cannot be re-sold. Please take a minute to review the <u>donation guidelines</u> (attached as well) to make sure your items are on the list of things that we can accept. While we appreciate your contributions, a general guideline for all donations is – if you wouldn't give it to a friend, then please don't give it to us!

After the break, we'll also send out information about gift basket donations, sponsorship opportunities, baking requests and more! It's going to be another amazing (and busy) Country Fair!

Thank you for your eager participation!

Christiane Hodson Director of Advancement

Summer at Southridge – Registration Now Open!

Registration is now open for the *Summer at Southridge* day camps program. Even though we only launched on Monday, we already have several camps sold out! So, if you're planning on registering your children for this year's camps, *register early* to avoid disappointment. Also, please don't forget to register for after camp supervision if you need it, since these spots also fill up very quickly.

To view program information or to register, please visit www.southridgesummer.ca

For students who are 14+, the summer camp program provides many exciting **volunteer opportunities**. To learn more about these opportunities or to obtain a volunteer form, click <u>here</u>. **The application deadline is April 26, 2019**.

If you have any questions, please contact the *Summer at Southridge* administration office:

Email: summercampinfo@southridge.bc.ca

Phone: 604-542-5385



Volunteer News

Does the idea of sorting used uniforms spark joy? Or at least some interest? If so, we are looking for 2-4 parents (ideally 2 Junior School and 2 Senior School) to join the Used Uniform team at Southridge. Marie Kondo has nothing on this team—come join the fun!

If you are interested, please email volunteer@southridge.bc.ca.

Thank you!

The Volunteer Committee

Southridge School Spring Break Hours

Southridge School will be open from 8:30 to 3:30 daily during the upcoming spring break. Please note that all services will be provided through Senior School reception and the Junior School will not be open. Not all staff are on campus for the break, but we will be supporting regular administrative requests. Please note that the Uniform Shop will be closed over the break.

Enjoy your holiday.

Wendy Simpson
Executive Director of Finance and Operations

Southridge Café

Hot Lunch orders for K-3 students can now be placed for April 1 – May 3, 2019 through www.MyKidsSpending.com. The deadline to order is Wednesday, March 27. Please note that Friday Apr 19 and Monday Apr 22 are Easter holidays. Also, please do not place orders on days when your child's class will not be at school for lunch (e.g. on field trips).

You are only required to select the main dish. Drink options (milk or spa water) and sides will be available to students on the days they receive hot lunch meals. If you want to make changes or cancel the hot lunch orders after your submission or have any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact Phala Tan at ptan@southridge.bc.ca.

For nutritional information regarding the menu items, please visit the <u>Sage website</u>. If there are any dietary concerns, Gary Riemer, Director of Food Services at the Southridge Café, is available to discuss the dietary needs of your child, and he can be reached at <u>sage@southridge.bc.ca</u>.



Thank you!

Phala Tan Business Services Manager

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be closed during Spring Break and will re-open on Monday Apr 1, 2019.

Have a wonderful and restful break.

Phala Tan Business Services Manager





Southridge School

Presents

RACKING THE CODE

A customized presentation of the US college/university admission process for international students



Thursday, April 25th, 2019



at 7:00 PM (PST)



Southridge School, 2656 160th Street, Surrey, BC

Featuring



Peter Van Buskirk Author, Motivational Speaker and Former Dean of Admission

Featured: The Wall Street Journal, The Los Angeles Times, USA Today, Family Circle, and "Oprah and Friends" with Jean Chatzky

"Cracking the Code" puts US-bound students in a better position to prepare & compete for success as applicants. In particular, the presentation:

- Differentiates between educational options (college vs university)
- Debunks rankings (at least, put them in perspective!)
- Focuses on student-centeredness and finding "fit"
- Examines the role of ROI and the need to project "value" as an applicant
- Provides insight into contextual admission reviews (relevance of IB, AP)
- Reveals the importance of "connecting the dots" in the holistic admission
- Discusses the implications of pending (affirmative action) court actions

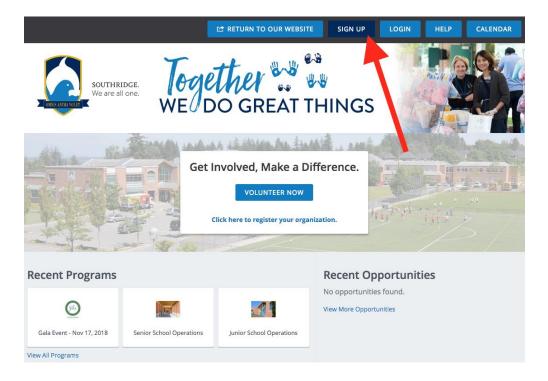


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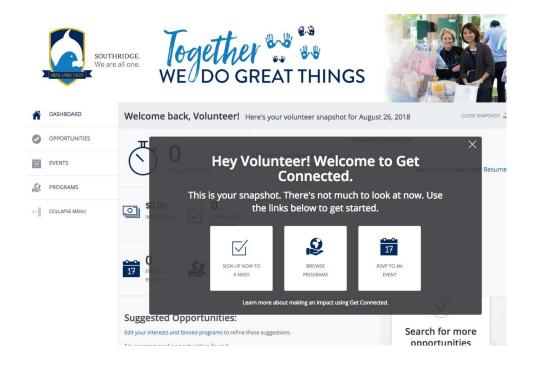
Volunteering at Southridge - Signing up through Galaxy!

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.

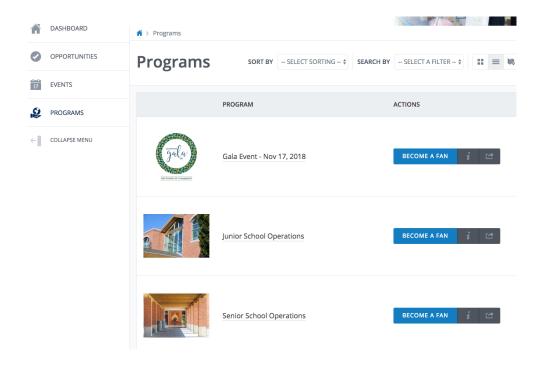


You can create your account with your email, or through your Facebook account. Once you've created your account, you will move to the dashboard:



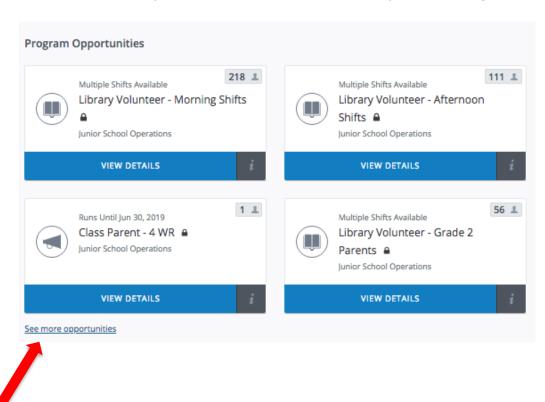
STEP 2:

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.



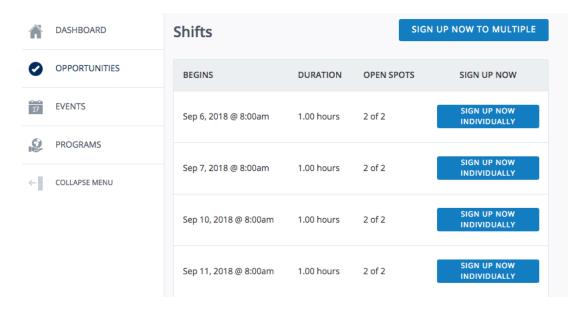
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Simply select the applicable program, then browse the volunteer needs. Don't forget the "see more opportunities" button if you don't see the volunteer position you are looking for!

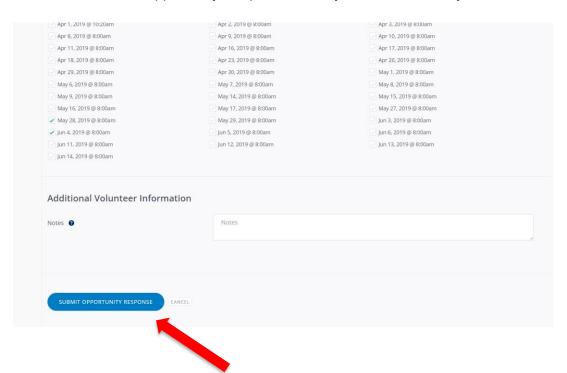


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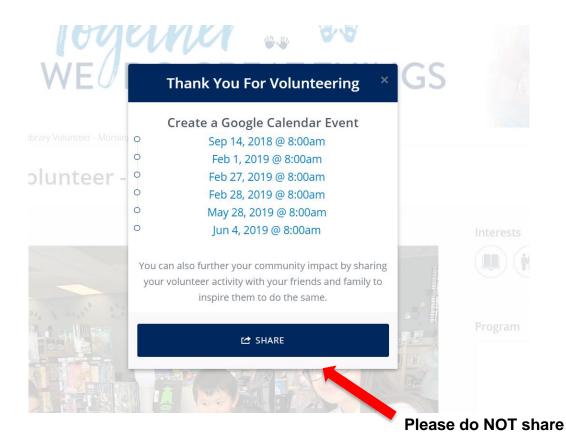
Once you have found the volunteer opportunity you are looking for, click on "View Details". You can then sign up for a single shift or multiple shifts.



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*.

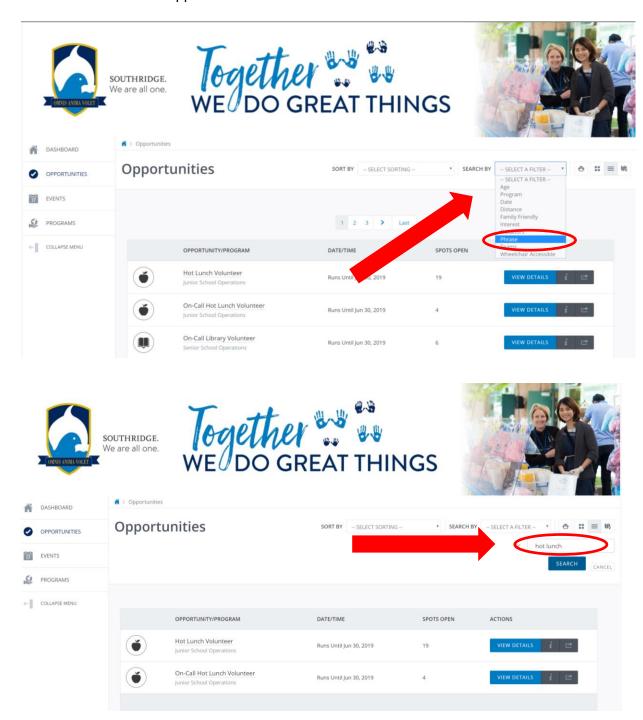
If you have any questions, please contact Kate Lucas at klucas@southridge.bc.ca or by phone at 604-542-2303.

*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

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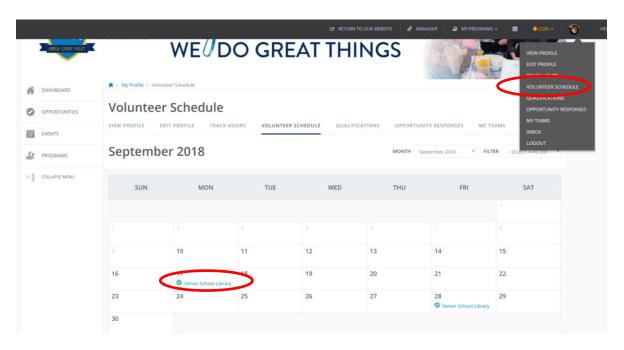
After creating an account and logging in (https://southridgebc.galaxydigital.com), click on 'Opportunities'. You can search for a specific opportunity like "hot lunch" or "playground" by selecting 'Phrase' in the 'Search By' list. Type in the key word(s) and any opportunity that includes that word will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



Volunteering at Southridge – Modifing your volunteer schedule

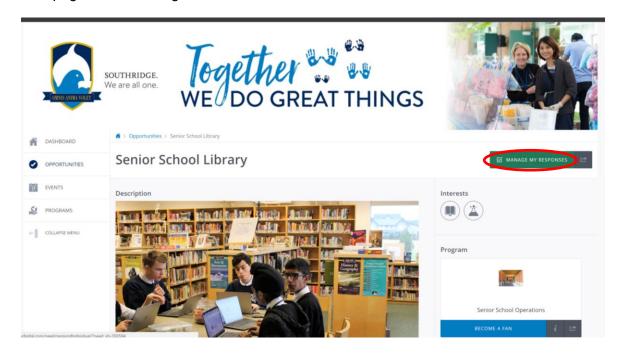
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Galaxy has a great calendar feature that you can use to confirm or change your volunteer schedule. To access your calendar, click on your profile photo (or initials) on the top right corner, then select 'Volunteer Schedule' from the drop-down menu.

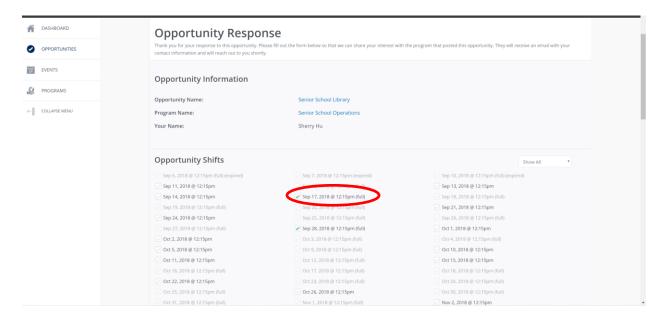


STEP 2:

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'.

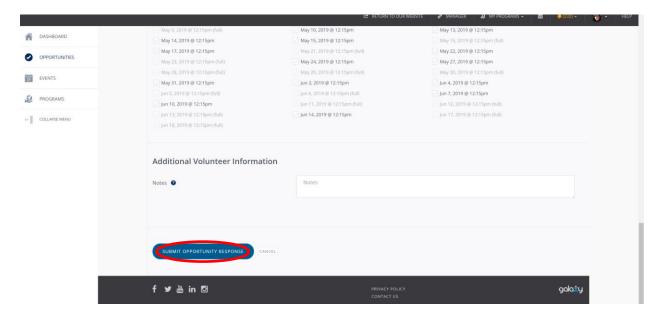


STEP 3: Un-check green check marks to remove specific shift(s) from your schedule.



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.



If you have any questions, please contact Kate Lucas at klucas@southridge.bc.ca or by phone at 604-542-2303.

Country Fair Donation Guidelines

A significant portion of the funds raised at the Fair are generated from our ever-popular 'garage sale', which has become one of the largest in the Lower Mainland. In order to make it successful, we ask that each family donate new or gently-used household items, furniture, clothing and accessories, toys, and books, to be sold during the Fair. To avoid the cost of the school having to dispose of damaged or unsellable items, we have implemented strict guidelines on what we can and cannot accept (below) for the sale.

WHAT CAN I DONATE?

RECYCLED TREASURES

We will happily accept:

- HOUSEWARES kitchenware, dishes, pots & pans, small appliances, linens/quilts
- HOME DÉCOR framed prints & wall hangings, art, vases, collectibles, clocks, candles, lamps, mirrors, picture frames, bric-a-brac
- ELECTRONICS cameras, stereos, gaming, ipods, cell phones, CDs/DVDs in cases
- SPORTING GOODS all sports equipment, bikes, games tables, no skis, bindings or helmets
- GARAGE automotive, power tools, camping gear, gardening supplies, building supplies, plumbing, lawn care items, flower pots
- ARTS & CRAFTS sewing, scrapbook supplies, wool & yarns, paints
- SEASONAL Christmas/Halloween/Easter items
- FOR BABY crib toys, linens, knick-knacks, strollers, accessories
- LARGE ITEMS household furniture, office desks & chairs, outdoor patio items, outdoor playsets

We are NOT able to accept:

- Anything that is broken, damaged, stained or in need of repair
- Large appliances (i.e. refrigerators, freezers, stoves, microwaves)
- Electronics WITHOUT remotes (i.e. VHS/DVD)
- Televisions & monitors
- All forms of car seats (i.e. boosters, infant seats)
- Old skis and ski bindings
- Helmets of any kind
- Athletic machines

- Window blinds
- Mattresses, cribs, cradles, or bassinets
- Baby products that are put in the mouth (i.e. teethers, pacifiers, bottles)
- Baby walkers
- Bunk beds
- Lawn darts
- Kites

Please click here to view the guidelines around the resale of many items.

CLOTHING

The Country Fair will accept your new or gently-used clothing and accessories. All items must be in good condition without any tears, holes, stains, damage or missing buttons.

We will happily accept:

- CLOTHING new or gently-used men's, ladies, children's and baby clothing
- ACCESSORIES belts, shoes, scarves, purses, jewellery
- CLOTHING BOUTIQUE ITEMS new or next-to-new designer clothing and shoes
- Southridge uniforms

ALL CLOTHING MUST BE CLEAN. We would appreciate receiving it on hangers (with the exception of casual pants, shorts and baby clothes), since this will save our busy volunteers hours of time.

We are NOT able to accept:

- Anything that is not clean, has tears, rips or holes
- Worn out shoes or boots
- Ladies, men's or kids' undergarments of any kind
- Bathing suits

We very much appreciate your donations, however, please be considerate when dropping off items; a general guideline is – if you would not give it to a friend, then please don't give it to us!

BOOKS

We are looking for all types of books in good, clean condition. We will happily accept:

All types of children/teen fiction and non-fiction books

- All types of adult fiction and non-fiction books (i.e. arts & photography, cooking, gardening, business, health/mind, outdoor & nature, crafts & hobbies, travel, coffee table pictorial, sports, memoirs/biographies)
- Full sets of encyclopedias, computer/medical/travel books published within the past 5 years

We are NOT able to accept:

- Books which are dirty, have torn or ripped pages, worn or missing pages, or anything that has been nibbled on by the family pet (please recycle these books yourself)
- National Geographic, Readers' Digest and other popular press magazines
- Used colouring books or books that have been marked with ink or a highlighter
- School textbooks (if they are from Southridge, please return them to either the Jr. or Sr. School library)
- Outdated computer and technical manuals (i.e. 5 years or older)
- Partial sets of encyclopedias
- Outdated travel guides or books (i.e. 5 years or older)
- Catalogues

WHEN CAN I DROP OFF MY DONATIONS?

COLLECTION WEEK TIMES

- Saturday & Sunday: (April 27th & April 28th) 11:00 am 3:00 pm
- Monday & Tuesday: (April 29th & April 30th) 8:00 am 4:00 pm
- Wednesday: (May 1st) 8:00 am 8:00 pm
- Thursday: (May 2nd) 8:00 am 4:00 pm
- Large item drop-off on Thursday only

NO DROP-OFF ON FRIDAY, MAY 3RD, PLEASE