



KALAMALKA SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Welcome

We have had a great start to the year! Students have shown their joy, laughter and are engaged in their learning. We have had grade level meetings where we talked about our school goals and how we can overcome the challenges we face. We have had a wonderful response to our fall sports. We've had Parent Grad Meetings. Our school is humming with many opportunities to get involved.

Important September and October Dates:

September 17: First PAC meeting at 6:30pm in the library

September 17: School Photo Day

September 17-20: Thanksgiving Food Drive

September 20: Terry Fox Run

September 20: Clubs Day @ Lunch

September 23: Professional Development Day (no school)

September 24: UBCO vs TRU Men's Volleyball @ 6:00PM

September 27: Orange Shirt Day

September 30: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (no school)

October 7: Athletic Booster meeting at 5:30pm in library

October 7: Parent Super Grad Committee 6:30PM

October 15: First PAC meeting at 6:30pm in the library

October 17: OPTIS opens to book Parent/Teacher interviews

October 17: Grad 2025 Bottle Drive

PAC Information

The next meeting is on September 17 at 6:30pm. Follow PAC on facebook "Kalamalka Secondary Parents." Email Kalamalka PAC kalamalkapac@gmail.com for inquiries.

Athletics: <https://www.kalamalkaathletics.com/>

The fall season has boys and girls volleyball, cross country running, boys soccer and Jr. Football. We are hosting the AA Boys Provincial Boys Volleyball Championships in November. If you would like to be a sponsor and support the Kalamalka Athletic program in any way, please contact our Athletic

Director, Jessie Bourgeois., jbougeois@sd22.bc.ca. We will have our Parent Athletic Booster Club Meeting on September 16 at 5:30 in the library.

Are you looking for some **KAL Athletic gear**, check out this opportunity!

Orders must be placed by September 23.

<https://kalvolleyball24.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

School Fees

Student fees can be paid by credit card through your MYED BC or by cash or cheque at the school office. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

School Photos: September 17 - AM

Mountain West is on site taking school photos. Your student will be provided with their unique login code and ordering instructions.

Proofs will be ready in 5 business days. All photos are viewed and ordered online through Mountain West

<https://www.mountainwest.ca/secondary-school-photos>

Community Service - Food Drive

We are supporting our community this week by participating in the Thanksgiving Food Drive. We are collecting non-perishable food items in B Block from September 17-20. We also accept cash/cheque donations submitted directly to our office.

Terry Fox Run – September 20

We are also participating in the Terry Fox Run on Friday, September 20 at 11:00AM. Students can bring a Toonie for Terry to school on Friday to support the Terry Fox Foundation. Families can also donate at <https://schools.terryfox.ca/73155>

Clubs Day

Our school is proud to host a variety of special interest clubs that provide great opportunities for students to explore their extra-curricular passions and give back through volunteering and service. This year, we are providing a small budget to each club to encourage them to get together face to face more frequently and enjoy collaborating on their initiatives.

To showcase our existing clubs, we are hosting Clubs Day on September 20th after the Terry Fox Run. All students are welcome to join any club – no prerequisites required 😊 Sign up forms will be at each clubs' display.

If your Kal student has a particular interest and would like to create their own club, they can inquire with any staff member for support or contact either Mr. Huggins or Mr. Mayer.

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Grad 2025

Thank you to all the parents who came to our first Parent Super Grad Committee meeting last Monday. Our next meeting will be October 7 at 6:30 in the KAL Library.

Grad Bottle Drive – October 17 8:00AM to 3:15

Please collect your bottles and drop them off at KAL on Thursday, October 17 from 8:00AM to 3:15PM. We also have a KAL Grad 2025 account at Interior Freight and Bottle Depot, 4205 24 Ave. You can drop off your bottles and cans throughout the year and just let them know to put the money toward the KAL Grad 2025 account. We appreciate your support of the grads. Parents, please email Stacey Barber staceybarber@hotmail.com to volunteer.

Accident Insurance:

Parents should be aware that the SD22 does carry medical accident insurance for individual students. This is minimal insurance that can be augmented by personal family plans. Additional information can be found on the School District's web site. [Accident Insurance](#)

Student Handbook:

Our updated [Student Handbook](#) is now online. Key dates and school year information can be found in this handbook, as well as our full school and SD22 Code of Conduct. The handbook is also uploaded and available in the MySchoolDay App. We encourage all students to download the app so they can stay up to date!

Lates and Absences:

If your student is late or absent from school please notify the office to excuse the absence.

Email Wendy: kaloffice@sd22.bc.ca or phone: 250-545-1396

Please let the office know of any change in phone numbers, address, or email so that you can stay up to date with the latest at Kal Secondary.

Email Kara: kaladmissions@sd22.bc.ca

Pick-up/Drop-off in Parking Lot

A friendly reminder to keep our bus lane and entry-way clear when picking up and dropping off your child. Follow all signage and lines for entry and exit. We also ask parents to move forward in the pick-up / drop-off lane as far as possible during busy times so that more cars can pull in behind.





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Transportation-Bus Information

If your child uses the school district bus service they must be registered with the Transportation Department. You can find the registration form and bus route information on the following website: <https://www.sd22.bc.ca/bus-transportation>

All buses for School District #22 are identified by a Route Number. Magnetic signs are posted on buses to identify route numbers.

Please advise your children to look for this Route Number and not for the bus number to identify their bus.

[2024-25 Important Bus Information](#)

Tome Youth Ambassadors

We are looking for a few homestays for 8 Japanese youth between 14 and 16 years old and 2 adults from Thursday, October 24 to Monday, October 28.

The students are coming from Tome, Japan, our sister city, to gain a short Canadian experience.

The students arrive Thursday afternoon and will leave Monday morning.

They will have a few organized activities that will be planned for our ambassadors. They are looking for opportunities to spend time in a home with a Canadian family. A detailed itinerary will be communicated closer to their arrival.

Each child requires a bed. Homestays will be required to provide breakfast each day and a packed lunch for Friday and Saturday, dinner most days.

Pick up and drop off will be at the school for day time activities. The evening activities will be location specific.

The Tome group would like to know who lives in your house example Mom and Dad with 17 year old girl, 14 year old girl and 8 year old boy.

Please contact jhuggins@sd22.bc.ca, if you are interested in hosting.



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CAREER PROGRAMS

Upcoming program offerings in Vernon

Train in Trades

Jan. 2025/ Sept. 2025

Aircraft Maintenance Engineer - Structures

February 2025

Refrigeration & AC Mechanic – Level 1

February 2025

Electrical Foundation – Level 1

August 2025

Plumbing & Piping Trades Foundation – Level 1

There are many more program offerings in Kelowna. Apply early (a year ahead of the program start date) to give yourself the best chance of getting in. See Mr. Thorpe for more information and to apply.

SD22 will pay the full tuition for all successful applicants.

Work in Trades

Do you work with a certified tradesperson? You can earn 16 credits towards graduation while earning money and hours towards your trade as a Youth Apprentice. These courses can be completed while in high school or after graduation. Students that complete the program may be eligible for the \$1000 Youth Work in Trades Award.

Work Experience

Do you work or volunteer? Get high school credit through the Work Experience program. 120 hours of work = 4 credits. This course can be completed over the summer as well. Students must be registered and activated in Work Experience to start counting hours towards the 120 required.

Academic Dual Credit

Take a first-year course at Okanagan College in your gr. 12 year. Courses are offered after school/evenings twice a week. SD22 will pay the tuition for successful applicants.

Forestry and Trades Program 11/12

This program provides work ready skills and certificates for students interested in Forestry and/or trades. Students are introduced to welding, electrical, plumbing, carpentry, and heavy duty mechanics/automotive service technician.

Jean Minguy RCMP Youth Academy

This is a police academy simulation for students interested in law enforcement as a possible career. This weeklong camp is held at the DND in Vernon every May with volunteer RCMP officers.

Jr. Fire Crew Program

The BC Wildfire Service is looking for gr. 12s interested in fighting forest fires in the summer. A lunchtime information session will be held before spring break, followed by interviews and training for those shortlisted.

Okanagan College Trades Sampler

This 12-week program is designed to provide gr. 9-12 students with an opportunity to explore several different skilled trades. Students will gain first-hand knowledge and practical skills that will assist them in exploring a rewarding career in the trades.

See our website for a list of other program offerings and more info on what's listed here:

<https://sd22.bc.ca/programs-services/careers/>

For more information on Career Programs and to apply contact:

Tim Thorpe - Career Programs Coordinator

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