

SCIDES Newsletter to Students and Parents

February / March 2017

South Central Interior Distance Education School
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Dates to Remember:

- * Feb 7, 2017 - Parent Virtual Learning chat with Principal Mullin: Topic: Dual Credit Opportunities
<https://youtu.be/TVmkos-2ZkM>
 - *Feb 13, 2017 – Family Day – SCIDES closed
 - * Feb 21, 2017 – SCIDES PAC meeting
 - *Feb 22, 2017 – Kengard Learning Centre Smudging & Charcoal Art
 - *Feb 22, 2017 - Special Event
Pink Shirt Day / Help Us End Bullying
(<http://pinkshirtday.ca/>)
 - *Feb 23, 2017, Thursday - End of term for SCIDES elementary and secondary
 - *Feb 23, 2017 - Parent Virtual Learning chat with Principal Mullin: Topic: New Curriculum and Provincial Exams
 - *Feb 23, 2017 – Youth Leadership Conference
Grade 7 – 12
 - *Feb 24, 2017 – Non-instructional Day
Professional Development – SCIDES open - teachers not available
 - *Feb 28 to Mar 1, 2017 – CORE Course
 - *March 6, 2017 – Report cards sent home
 - *March 7, 2017 – Winter Driving Workshop
contact: cmullin@365.sd58.bc.ca
 - *March 7, 2017 - TRU Job Fair 10am -3pm
Kamloops BC - Thompson Rivers University
 - *March 8, 2017 – Kengard Learning Centre
Making Dream Catchers – contact
ldumont@365.sd58.bc.ca
 - *March 14, 2017 – Serving it Right Course
 - *March 20 to April 2, 2017 – Spring Break
SCIDES CLOSED
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Principal: Ms. Colleen Mullin (local 1208)

February is Social Studies Month at SCIDES
March is Career and Trades Month at SCIDES

Thanks to the SCIDES PAC, a number of students attended a performance on Wednesday, February 8th at the Sagebrush Theatre in Kamloops.

Title: Canadiana Musical Theatre Company

Description: The Birth of the CPR

Canada's greatest true adventures come to life as actor/musicians recreate pivotal events in hilarious, dramatic and magical musicals. Historically accurate, this boogie woogie bluegrass musical celebrates the great railroad that tied Canada together from sea to sea.

Audience: Grade 1 to Grade 7 students

There are 2 remaining concerts in the 2016/2017 series. Contact SCIDES for more information.

Monday, April 10 to Thursday April 13 **Tribal Vision Dance
Visions of Turtle Island**

Tribal Vision Dance showcases First Nations culture through Powwow and Haudensaunee song and dance. This interactive, engaging multimedia show will have students clapping and singing throughout the presentation. Students will learn about the evolution of Powwow style dances as well as Haudensaunee dances. Students will also learn the location and history of Turtle Island.

Monday, May 8 to Friday, May 12 **Dufflebag Theatre
Snow White**

In their refreshing adaptations of fairy tales and classic stories, audience members are invited into the show to play the main parts! The resulting excitement and spontaneity creates a hilarious experience for all and forms a perfect introduction to the classics.

CORE Course (Hunting Licence Requirement)

Date(s): Feb 28, 2017 – Mar 1, 2017 (9am - 3pm), March 2, 2017 (9am – 12 noon)

Location: Kengard Learning Centre - Merritt

Who: SCIDES, CLC, MSS (Grades 9-12)

Cost: Contact Robert French for cost

Student Limit: 16

RVSP: email rfrench@365.sd58.bc.ca or phone: 250-315-1210

Course Credit: Science 10 and Biology 11 (SCIDES and CLC)

Info: CORE is required to get a hunting license in BC. It covers animal identification, habitats, outdoor safety, firearm safety, and regulations.

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School District #58, Nicola-Similkameen, is hosting a district-wide Arts Festival from Monday, Aril 24 to Friday, May 5, 2017.

The Festival, named *What's the Big Idea!* will be a celebration of all visual and performing arts from Kindergarten through Grade 12. It will feature visual artists as well as choirs, dancers, musicians and actors.

If you are interested in participating in the festival contact Anita Sahota for more information.

Email asahota@365.sd58.bc.ca or phone 1 800 663 3536

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<https://www.facebook.com/scidesbc>



Course Available at Kengard Learning Centre - *Serving it Right*

Date: March 14th 2017 – 9am to 12 noon

Location: KLC

Who: SCIDES and CLC students - Gr 10 and up

Cost: none

Student Limit: none

RVSP: rfrench@365.sd58.bc.ca or phone 250 315 1210 for more information

Course Credit: Possibly Caf 12 (Needs to be confirmed with your teacher)

We are here to help.

Phone, email, drop in . . . we take great pride in our service to students. Specialist teachers, tutors, advisors and clerical staff are all here to make your experience with our school a positive and productive one.

Scholarship Time

For all your Scholarship information, you can view this link:

<http://www.scides.org/student-info/scholarship-info>

As well, ensure you are subscribed to your SCIDES Moodle homeroom newsfeeds to get news of scholarships hot off the press.

Scholarship Info

Tips For Completing Scholarship Applications -Start early!

Applying for scholarships is a lot of work and you want to make sure that you leave yourself enough time to complete them thoroughly.

-Neatness is extremely important. Remember that for every scholarship offered there are hundreds of applications so make sure that you don't jeopardize your chances by submitting an application that is messy and full of errors. Check to see whether the application is to be typed or handwritten.

-Proofread your application and then ask someone else to proofread it as well. Check for spelling, punctuation and grammatical errors.

-If you write an essay and it asks for a specific number of words (500 for example) – do not go over the limit! This criterion is given for a reason and if you do not follow instructions, your application may not be considered.

-Do not leave any blanks. If a question does not pertain to you, write that down in the space provided.

-If you do not understand a question, phone the contact number and ask them to clarify.

-Check to see when the scholarship application is due and make sure that you have it in on time. Late applications are usually not accepted. Some applications differentiate between when the application has to be received in the office and when the application has to be post-marked by.

-Make sure that you are eligible for the award for which you are applying. Completing scholarship applications is a lot of work and you want to make sure that you are eligible before you start.

-If you are asking for reference letters make sure that you give your referees enough time to write the letter. You should also give them a copy of your resume and let them know specifically what you need. Make a copy of your completed application and reference letters before you send it off.

Good Luck!

Use the link at the top of this page to get information on available scholarships, the eligibility requirements, application forms, reference letters and amounts awarded.

**** The deadline for SCIDES Scholarship applications is May 15th of the current school year ****

B.C. GREEN GAMES

Our students from the Venables Valley have entered a project into the BC Green Games and voting is now open for the Viewer's Choice award. Voting ends on March 31, 2017.

If you have a chance, your support through voting would be very much appreciated.

You can vote once per hour, per IP address by going to <https://www.bcgreengames.ca/project/les-femmes-de-stem1673>

If you have any questions about the project please do not hesitate to let me know! Thanks in advance for your support.

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