

Alberni District Secondary School

The Grapevine



September 2024

Web site Address: www.sd70.bc.ca/adss

Reporting an ABSENCE: If your student is absent or late, please use **one** of the options below:



- Download app - Pacific Rim Schools
- Call the Main Office at 250-723-6251 ext 4

When leaving message - please speak clearly, state first and last name of student

- Email: adss@sd70.bc.ca

Teachers are not able to excuse students; they can only mark absent, present, or late.

Where can I get informed?

On the ADSS website [Alberni District \(sd70.bc.ca\)](http://Alberni District (sd70.bc.ca))

On Facebook @ *Alberni District Secondary School*

IMPORTANT DATES

Mon Sept 23	School Planning Day – no school for students
Mon Sept 30	National Day of Truth & Reconciliation – school closed
Wed Oct 9	Learning Updates (Parent Teacher Conferences) Friday Schedule – early dismissal
Thurs Oct 10	Learning Updates (Parent Teacher Conferences) Friday Schedule – early dismissal
Mon Oct 14	Thanksgiving Day – school closed
Mon Oct 21	School Photo Retakes
Fri Oct 25	Pro-D Day – no school for students
Tues Oct 29	Fall Band Concert



School Bus Registration

Link to Online Registration [here](#)

Welcome ADSS School Community,

I wanted to take a few moments to introduce myself via the Grapevine. I have worked in SD70 for over 10 years as a teacher and administrator, most recently at Ecole Alberni Elementary as the Principal from 2021-2024. In between SD 70 positions, I also spent close to 10 years in the Bulkley Valley, SD54, as an administrator. While the task of overseeing the operation of 1300 students and a large staff is a little daunting, I look forward to the opportunity and the challenge it presents. My two children are recent graduates of ADSS, I taught at ADSS when it was still located on Burde Street, and I coached sports teams at ADSS. It is a wonderful place to work and our family was happy to have returned to the Alberni Valley in 2021, after 9 years in Smithers. I've always prided myself in making strong connections in the buildings I've worked in, and I look forward to doing that within our building at ADSS and within the broader ADSS school community.

Regards,

Craig McAulay



Permission to Leave Early

Please send an email to adss@sd70.bc.ca or send a note if your student is needing to leave school early.

Students need to sign out at the office if they are leaving early or arriving late.



Reminders

To avoid class interruptions, please try to have conversations with your student before school hours to make any needed arrangements. For example - after school ride messages, appointment reminders

Forgotten items such as lunches, binders, band equipment, etc. will be given to students at lunch or in between classes.

Parents/Guardians/Visitors- Please remember to sign into the office when entering the school.

[Spirit Wear \(sd70.bc.ca\)](http://sd70.bc.ca)

ORDER DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 1ST

ADSS SPIRIT WEAR IS NOW AVAILABLE!

Get something for RED FRIDAYS!!

GO TO THE ADSS WEBSITE TO ORDER

REMINDER

BC Student Information Verification Form, Self -Declaration Form and Student Release Forms have been handed out to students. Please make sure that the information is checked and signed by a parent/guardian. These need to be returned to homerooms teachers as soon as possible so we can ensure we have the most accurate records for our students & families. Thank you for your help.

Robotics Club meets Mondays and Tuesdays from 3:10-5:00. No prior experience necessary! Talk to Tuomi in Room 116 or email etuomi@sd70.bc.ca for more details.



Travel Club-Spring 2025 Italy and Greece



The Travel Club will be going on a 10-day tour of Italy and Greece, during Spring Break 2025. The trip will include the following cities-Florence, Rome, Pompeii, Delphi and Athens. This trip is open to students and their parents. For more information regarding the cost of the trip and other trip details please contact Laurie Hurst at lhurst@sd70.bc.ca

Attention Grade 12 Students



Applications for Student Grad Council are available in the main office.

Deadline for submissions is October 3rd

COME JOIN US AT

SAFE

Student Ally For Equality

CLUB

Every Thursday @ Lunch in Room #121

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Connect with Carrie, one of the ADSS Mental Health Workers for more info cthorpe@sd70.bc.ca or her office by the cafeteria



The Health and Wellness 9 class is selling Paradise Island Cheese to fundraise for field trips this semester. Each Paradise Island Variety Pack contains 4 pieces – Monterey Jack Jalapeno Pepper, Sharp Cheddar, Gouda and Applewood Smoked Old Cheddar). This cheese is always a hit, and purchasing it supports a great cause! Orders are due by Friday, September 27 at noon, and each pack costs \$25 (cash or cheque made out to ADSS PE). Arrival date is October 11, 2024. Please contact Karli Gibson if you have any questions: kgibson@sd70.bc.ca



Purchase a kids card for \$5.00 from Boston Pizza and all proceeds go to ADSS Athletics.

KIDS CARDS ARE BACK!

Get your Kids Card online or in-restaurant today. Donate \$5 and you'll get 5 FREE Kids Meals. Your donation stays in your community and goes directly to a charity chosen by your local Boston Pizza.

Available for purchase online and in-restaurant until October 13. Valid for dine-in only. Kids meals can be redeemed until June 30th, 2025. Conditions apply.

GET YOUR DIGITAL KIDS CARD

[Kids Card | Boston Pizza](#)

LEARNING UPDATE APPOINTMENTS!



Oct. 9th & 10th



Please keep an eye on your email for instructions and appointment booking

STUDENTS LOOKING TO DO FIRST AID!!!

Parks and Rec is offering Standard First-Aid on Sept 21 and 22.

 **City of Port Alberni**
(250) 723-2181

Standard First-Aid CPR Level C & AED

 21/09/2024 - 22/09/2024
 09:00 am - 05:00 pm

**To Register go to the
Parks and Rec Website**

Registration ends on 22/09/2024 at 05:00 PM

Fees

Reg Fee Adult - Non-City Resident	\$268.50 <small>Plus Tax</small>
Registration Fee - City Resident	\$179.00 <small>Plus Tax</small>

Course Dates

2 sessions		Every Sat, Sun
21/09/2024	09:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Dogwood Room
22/09/2024	09:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Dogwood Room

About this Course

Standard First Aid is a WorkSafeBC Occupational Level 1 equivalent and can be used in the workplace. This course includes comprehensive training covering all aspects of first aid, CPR and AED use. Whether you need training for employment or simply want to be prepared to respond to life-threatening emergencies, this course will give you the skills and knowledge to act with confidence. In addition to the material covered in Emergency First Aid, candidates will learn how to treat head/neck injuries, soft tissue and skeletal injuries and medical emergencies. Participants are required to complete a written knowledge test at the end of the course to receive their certification. Prerequisites: None. Certifications are good for 3 years.

Echo '67 Community Centre [Show Map](#)
Course ID 00036426

Restrictions

Age Restriction 12+



ADSS CAREER CENTRE
DUAL CREDIT Courses & Programs available to students



DATES TO NOTE:

- Sept 16-26th- In class career Survey
- Oct 2nd- VIU Advisor visiting ADSS- Information Table and individual appointments available
- Oct 16th – Food Safe Course Starts
- Oct 22nd - University of Calgary visiting ADSS
- Oct 23rd – Post Secondary Institutes of BC visiting ADSS

FULL YEAR PROGRAMS

you do not attend ADSS for classes at all

Dual Credit Certificate Programs - Grade 12's (sometimes Grade 11's)

This is a full-time program that students can take during their grade 12 year. Includes Early Childhood Care and Education, Health Care Assistant, and Human Service Worker. Program schedule is set by NIC and may include daytime, afternoon, or evening courses.

Youth TRAIN in Trades - Grade 12's (sometimes Grade 11's)

Apprenticeship Technical Training

During school hours - This is a program that will allow you to take your first-year trades training such as: Electrical, Automotive, Welding, Professional Chef, Cabinet Making, Carpentry, and more at post-secondary institutions.



COURSES OFFERED IN THE 2ND SEMESTER ONLY

attend ADSS for other classes around these DC classes

Emergency Medical Responder Course – Grade 12 (sometimes Grade 11's)

This Academic Dual Credit course is offered through a partnership between SD70 and the Justice Institute of British Columbia. This course takes place within the timetable at ADSS in 2nd Semester and will be delivered within the regularly scheduled timetable.

Academic Dual Credit Programs with North Island College in your Grade 12 year.

This opportunity allows you to take first year transferrable University courses at NIC while you are enrolled at ADSS. (*Your tuition is covered by the School District.*)

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OTHER COURSES/PROGRAMS/OPPORTUNITIES

these courses are usually done outside of the regular timetable and completed after school hours

Work Experience—Grades 10,11,12

The WEX 12A & WEX 12B courses can allow you to receive 4 credits per course towards graduation for work experiences that are related to your career pathway. See Mr. Parmar if you are interested or want more info.

Youth WORK in Trades - Grades 10,11,12

Secondary School Apprenticeships

This program allows you to earn up to 16 credits toward graduation if you are interested in or currently working in one of the over 100 apprenticeship areas like: welding, cooking, auto mechanics, plumbing, and electrical. Visit SkilledTradesBC to see more options. See Mr. Freethy or Ms. Mowat for more info about this program.



The ADSS Career Team will be visiting grades 10-12 beginning Sept 16th to discuss these opportunities and to conduct our annual career survey



FOODSAFE Level 1

This course is offered at a discounted rate of \$50.00 for ADSS students and is completed through an on-line provider.



Students must register by the MORNING of October 16th.

Registration forms are available in the career centre

The course starts **October 16, 2024**, after school in the **library**.

If you have any questions, see Mr. Parmar in the Career Centre.

ALBERNI DISTRICT SECONDARY SCHOOL

WELCOME BBQ
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JOIN US FOR DINNER AND DOOR PRIZES

Welcome

Singing and Drumming

Dinner Song

Dinner - čuk^waačak naaʔuuʔin

Welcome from ADSS Admin

Meet the Teachers

Door Prizes & Dessert

Student Activities throughout
the evening

All Grade 8
Learners and Families
are
Invited & Welcomed!

*Thursday
September 26th*

5:00 PM

ADSS

4000 Roger St



HOSTED BY THE ADSS INDIGENOUS LEADERSHIP TEAM

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Don't miss out, order your yearbook today!

- Link to Website [Yearbook \(sd70.bc.ca\)](http://Yearbook(sd70.bc.ca))
- Link to Online Ordering Schools :: Alberni Dist SS - Friesens Yearbook Store
- Form below



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2024-25 Yearbook
\$60 each



Purchase your copy online
with credit card or PayPal

<http://ybstore.friesens.com/stores/300700>

Student Name:	
Grade:	
Phone #:	

*Please use a separate form for each yearbook purchased:

If not ordering online, please complete this form and bring your cheque (payable to ADSS) or cash \$\$ to Mr. Roberts – Room #250

Cash <input type="checkbox"/>	Cheque <input type="checkbox"/>	Name on Cheque:	Home phone:
Date:		Email Address:	

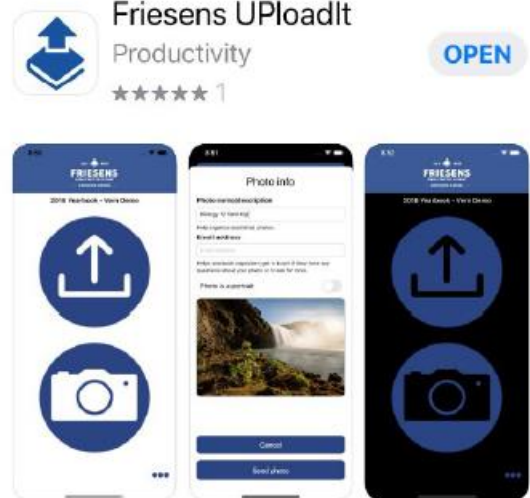
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ORDER  **YOUR**
Yearbook

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Refunds are not available****

Calling all photographic superstars!

We need your help! Do you have an interesting photo to share of our school or community?



STUDENTS & ADSS COMMUNITY – the Friesen’s **UPLoadIt App** is now live! You can now send photos straight from your phone to **ConnectMe** for the yearbook team to use in the **2024 ADSS Yearbook** quickly and easily. All photos will be approved by the Yearbook Admin before being considered by the team.

Download the app today from your app store
the school project code for ADSS is 306636

****NOTE – IF YOU DOWNLOADED THIS APP LAST YEAR, YOU NEED TO UPDATE IT WITH THE NEW PROJECT CODE FOR THE 2024 YEARBOOK****

