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Welcome to Byrne Creek Community School

A Message to Students

In March of 2012 Byrne Creek received the ASCD Whole Child Award, which recognizes the school for its success in bringing together a diverse range of individuals into a safe, caring and engaged learning community committed to educating the whole child. To achieve this, we have fostered a warm and welcoming atmosphere and created flexible, student-centered programs designed to meet the needs of all of our students. Byrne Creek offers many exciting and unique opportunities for students. Video Conferencing in the Centre for Dialogue, Industry Training programs, media and graphic arts computer labs, science super labs, a large dance studio and weight room, two full size gymnasiums, an artificial turf field and a wireless network are a few of the features that enhance students' program options and choices. We are excited by the opportunities that our school offers students. We look forward to enriching the educational programs for all students in a safe, caring, supportive and welcoming environment. We also look forward to your support and participation in the continued development of our school and community.

MISSION STATEMENT

Byrne Creek is committed to ensuring that all students achieve their physical, emotional and intellectual potential. We support students to develop life-long learning skills, to celebrate diversity, and to become socially responsible citizens.

GOALS:

1. To improve the literacy proficiency (reading for comprehension and writing for meaning) of all students at Byrne Creek Community School with a specific focus on male learners
2. To improve the overall health of our school community; including physical health, social-emotional health and social responsibility

At Byrne Creek we value HEART!

HONESTY

EMPATHY

ACHIEVEMENT

RESPECT

TEAMWORK

SCHOOL GUIDELINES AND POLICIES

LEARNING & WORKING

ATTENDANCE

1. **Policy:** School law clearly states that students shall be “regular and punctual” in their attendance. The primary responsibility for school attendance, ultimately, must lie with the student and the parents. Good attendance in school is a vital part of one’s education and preparation for business, personal and social life.

It is important that students understand that all absences will interfere with their progress in school.

2. **Procedures**
 - a. Each teacher will take (subject period) attendance and keep a record of absences and lates.
 - b. Students returning to school after an absence **must present a note clearly stating the student’s first and last name to teachers**, dated and signed by parent or guardian. The note must state the period of absence as well as the reason for absence. The note must be signed by each teacher whose class was missed. **Students are then to bring the note, which has been signed by their teachers, to the school’s office.** Parents are encouraged to phone the school prior to absences whenever possible.
 - c. Students wishing to be excused from a subject class period to perform school services, to attend a meeting, or at the request of another teacher, **must report to the subject class teacher at the beginning of the period** to request permission to do so.
 - d. Students wishing to go on field trips must **obtain prior written approval** from subject class teachers whose periods they will miss.
 - e. Early dismissals: Students requesting early dismissal are to bring a note from home to present **to the office.** A member of the office staff will speak to a parent/guardian and record the information relating to the dismissal. In most cases, it should not be necessary for a student to miss a whole morning or afternoon for a medical or dental appointment.
 - f. In the case of prolonged illness absences, school counsellors should be contacted so that assistance can be forthcoming through visits by Hospital/Homebound teachers.
 - g. Parents/Guardians may receive a computerized call in the evening if their son/daughter has missed a period class without permission.

- h. The school cannot authorize student absence from school to accompany parents on vacation. Please note:
 - The parents must make the decision and assume responsibility.
 - The onus is on students to contact their teachers to determine the make-up work to be done.
 - An Extended Absence form should be obtained from the office and returned before the student leaves on vacation.
- i. Students are encouraged to contact a classmate to determine missed work and assignments.

3. Lates

- a. Each student is expected to be in his/her classroom before the beginning of each period. Being late to class disrupts your learning and the learning of others around you. It is a disrespectful interruption of the learning environment.
- b. Students who arrive at school after the starting time are to quickly get the necessary equipment from their lockers and proceed to class. Repeated tardiness will result in contact with parent/guardians.

EDUCATIONAL ETHICS – ACADEMIC CONDUCT

1. Plagiarism:

Plagiarism is the use of other peoples' words, works and/or ideas (images, books, speeches or anything from the internet) without proper acknowledgement. When in doubt about what to credit, or how to credit, ask your teacher.

2. Cheating

- submitting, without prior approval, any work done by/with another person
- altering work after it has been marked
- submitting work completed for another course without teacher approval
- preparing any work for another student to submit as their own or giving another student any of your work to submit as their own

Potential Consequences

- 1. The teacher will inform the student(s) that he/she is under suspicion or was caught in the act of plagiarism or cheating and states reasons or gives evidence to the student(s).

The student will respond by: a) admitting the transgression or b) denying the transgression

- 2. If 'a' occurs then possible consequences 1 – 8 are applied as appropriate. If 'b' occurs then teachers should fill out an incident report and

- i) ask for a demonstration of competency or authorship or
- ii) go through the school appeal procedure

Possible consequences for plagiarism and cheating may include the following:

1. credit not given for assignment and an 'I' grade may be assigned until an alternate assignment is completed
2. parent contact
3. 'N' work habit
4. noted on disciplinary file
5. ineligibility for leadership positions
6. ineligibility for honour roll – for current term
7. loss of scholarship recommendation
8. suspension from school

APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE

Students are expected to use language which is respectful and free of vulgarity, profanity and free of put-downs relating to gender, sexual orientation, race or culture.

CELLULAR PHONES

Students are permitted to bring their cell phone to school and use them during transition periods and lunch. We embrace the potential that cell phones can be used as a learning tool but ultimately students are asked to become familiar with each teacher's classroom usage policy and respect his/her guidelines. Students are responsible to take care of their own cell phones and other electronic devices.

DISTRICT TECHNOLOGIES AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

It is important for students and their families to understand and abide by the Student Acceptable Use Policy (please see page 15). If there is a violation, access to computer privileges may be lost and other disciplinary and/or legal action may be taken.

DRESS CODE

At Byrne, we expect all of our students to follow our dress code policy. Our policy is committed to providing a safe and orderly learning environment. A student's clothing and general appearance should not be so excessive that it draws attention to the student, nor should clothing and appearance distract from, or interfere with, the teaching and learning in the classroom.

STUDY BLOCKS

Students may have study blocks during the regular instructional day due to early morning classes, career programs or other program reasons.

- Students have the option of studying in the library if there is room, or in the cafeteria / student commons area.

- Students are expected to work on school assignments in these locations.
- Students are not to loiter in the halls during instructional time.
- Students with study blocks should carry their Go Card. Stickers indicating a study block are available in the office.

SUCCESS PROGRAM

The Success Program runs Monday – Thursday after school in the library. Please see your teacher or a member of the Administrative Team for details. Tutoring is conducted by staff members and senior students. Your classroom teacher should always be your first contact to arrange support or extra help.

TEXTBOOKS (MINISTRY AND SCHOOL ISSUED)

Students are responsible for the care of textbooks. **Lost or damaged textbooks must be paid for in the office** as soon as the loss is discovered. A replacement book will be issued by the subject teacher once receipt of payment is shown.

TUTORIALS: 8:50AM - 9:50AM ON WEDNESDAYS (Semester 1 tutorial starts October 4th until December 20th and Semester 2 tutorial starts February 7th until April 25th)

1. **Respectful Behaviour at all times.**
 - Respect for the environment of the classroom and all things in the room.
 - Respect for others and showing support for everyone’s efforts, using respectful language and being courteous to all people.
 - Respect for learning of all members of your tutorial.
2. **Bring materials:** homework, assignments, projects or appropriate reading materials that will last the entire period. Game playing is inappropriate.
3. **Arrive at your Tutorial on time.**
Attendance will be taken every day and will be reported back the same way as every other class.
4. **Go to your assigned tutorial room every tutorial day.** You will be marked absent if you are not there.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

The school year is divided into two semesters, each with two reporting periods. Teachers will make evaluation expectations, class procedures, and course outlines available to students during the first week of classes in each semester. Late or missed assignments and the make-up of missed work are matters to be discussed with individual teachers. Evaluation is based on continuous daily assessment of student participation and progress. Each student’s cumulative achievement is reported with a letter grade and percentage.

REPORT CARDS

There are four formal reporting periods during the school year. See the calendar for specific dates. Report cards are available for viewing through the MyEd Parent Portal. Interim reports may be issued at any time during the year. Two specific times are set-aside on the calendar. The seven point Ministry of Education grading scale is:

A	=	excellent	86% - 100%
B	=	very good	73% - 85%
C+	=	good	67% - 72%
C	=	satisfactory	60% - 66%
C-	=	minimally acceptable	50% - 59%
I	=	Incomplete/In Progress	0% - 49%
F	=	Failed to meet Learning Outcomes	0% - 49%

An “I” letter grade represents a performance level below 50%. A student who receives an “I” letter grade will need to meet with the teacher of the course to receive a plan outlining requirements that must be successfully completed to demonstrate minimum learning outcomes.

The “F” letter grade is given when a student has failed to meet the minimum learning outcomes for the term of the course. Opportunity to successfully resolve the “I” letter grade was given before the “F” was determined.

WORK HABITS: G = Good S = Satisfactory N - Needs Improvement

		G	S	N
Responsibility	Complete assigned work	consistently	usually	occasionally
	Am on time	consistently	usually	occasionally
	Am organized and ready to work	consistently	usually	occasionally
	Stay on task	consistently	usually	occasionally
Leadership	Model good behaviour	consistently	usually	occasionally
Cooperation	Work well with others	consistently	usually	occasionally
Motivation	Do what is required	consistently	usually	occasionally

SAFETY

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

The school has specific procedures in place for lockdown, intruders, earthquakes and fires. Students must follow their teacher's instructions.

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

STUDENT SERVICES, COMMUNITY ROOM AND CAREER CENTRE

Student Services is an area where students may make an appointment to see a counsellor or youth worker. Counsellors are teachers who have special training in mental health issues, personal counselling and career planning. Students can make appointments at the students' services reception desk for individual counselling and university or college information. Several counsellors are available at lunch, after school and for drop-ins. The Youth Services Worker, Community School Coordinator, School Liaison Officer, Aboriginal Worker and Settlement Workers have offices in Student Services and are available to assist students. Career Preparation Advisors are also located in the Student Services area.

LOCKERS

Locker assignment will be online at <https://byrnecreek/lockerassignment.com>. Student lockers are school property and may be subject to search at any time. Students must use the assigned locker. **It is not permissible to use any other locker or lock.** Students are responsible for maintaining a clean locker at all times. Should students have difficulties with the locker, they should go to the office for assistance. Although the school provides you with a hall locker, the school is not liable for the loss of any items from them. Students are advised to have a combination lock for P.E. (class use only). **Students should not bring valuables to school or keep them in lockers. Cellphones, electronics, jewellery, expensive clothing and money are frequent targets of theft. Students are also warned against bringing valuables to the gym and should never leave them unattended in their bags or in the locker room.**

- Do not share your combination with others.
- Promptly report thefts to the office.
- Always make sure that your locker is securely closed and locked when you leave it.
- Vandalism of lockers will result in serious consequences.

STUDENT LIFE

ATHLETICS

Interscholar athletics are divided into three “seasons” and most games are scheduled to begin after school hours. Everyone is encouraged to come out and participate. Questions of eligibility should be directed to the Athletic Director. Students are charged a fee per sport in which they participate.

As a representative of Byrne Creek, the student athlete is expected to maintain a good standing in all areas of their school life. Poor attendance, behaviour, or academic issues may result in removal from a school team. All potential team members must be approved by the administration before final selection to the team. Once teams are selected, students are expected to finish the season. Players that choose to quit during a season are required to sit out the next athletic season and are therefore not eligible for team play.

CLUBS, COUNCILS AND TEAMS

Byrne Creek has established a tradition of extensive offerings in the area of extra-curricular activities. Meeting times should be indicated during the reading of the student bulletin and sometimes during announcements. All students are invited to participate in these activities.

LIBRARY & MEDIA SERVICES

Hours: The Byrne Creek Library is open daily from 8:00 to 3:30. Students are welcome to use the library resources and computers for research or completing assignments. During school hours, priority on the computers is given to students booked in with a class.

Program: The school library resource centre program supports the development of literacy and is designed to integrate information literacy across the curriculum to develop independent lifelong learners. Students are taught to retrieve, evaluate and apply information objectively and critically.

Recreational Reading: As well as reading for information, the library supports recreational reading and encourages all students to read both fiction and non-fiction for personal enjoyment.

The **library catalogue** can be accessed on-line from both the school and at home: <http://byrnecreek.sd41.bc.ca> Click on the **Library** or **Learning Commons** link on the school homepage for access to various resources and other library information. In the Library Catalogue, use the *Visual* Search button to connect to **online resources**.

While it is a direct internet connection to the electronic sources within the school, passwords are required for home access:

World Book Encyclopedia	ID: bbybyrne – Password: byrne08
EBSCO Databases	ID: bbybyrne – Password: byrne08
Virtual books	Password: byrne08
<u>EncyclopaediaUniversalis</u> (in French)	ID: burnabyschools Password: French

ASSEMBLIES

Assemblies will be held during the year. Assemblies are of several types and vary in length of time. Observing the following guidelines makes assemblies enjoyable for everyone:

- Attend the assembly on time and be ready to listen.
- Students are to remain seated with other members of their class and under the supervision of their classroom teacher.
- Respect the speakers or performers by giving them your attention.
- Remain in the assembly until it is over.
- Hats are NOT permitted to be worn at the assembly.
- No food or drinks permitted.
- Do not place feet on seat backs or lean back on your seats.

CREEK SIDE (SCHOOL STORE)

Byrne Creek’s school store is located in the southeast corner of the student commons area. It is staffed by the students enrolled in Business courses. The store offers a number of items for sale: school supplies, clothing, snack food and specialty items. Hours of operation will be posted.

CAFETERIA/ATRIUM

Hot and cold lunches are available daily in the cafeteria. The cafeteria is open at 8:15am, during nutrition break and lunch. The cafeteria is our dining room and everyone is expected to show consideration for other persons by leaving the lunch area clean and tidy. Sitting on tables is not permitted.

SMOKING/VAPING

In keeping with healthy living and the school district’s “**No Smoking**” policy:
SMOKING/VAPING IS NOT PERMITTED in the building or on the school grounds

GO-CARDS & PHOTO IDENTIFICATION

Students are required to carry photo identification/Go-Cards at all times. Photographs for personal identification and bus passes/Go-Cards will be supplied by the school photographer.

- If a student loses a Go-Card, he/she obtains a form from the office where they will explain the procedure for obtaining a replacement.
- There will be a replacement cost.

SKATE BOARDS

Skate boards are not to be used on School Board Property. Repeated violations may result in skateboards being confiscated.

LOST AND FOUND

Every item has an owner. If personal property is found it should be brought to the office. Students who have lost a textbook or a personal item should check to see if it has been turned in to the office. The lost and found is located in the atrium.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Students at Byrne Creek are encouraged to strive for excellence in all areas. The Byrne Creek staff believes that the recognition of excellence is crucial to development and maintaining positive school climate. Certificates and awards are presented to students at our school based Awards Ceremony and at the School Leaving Ceremony for our graduates. The following awards are examples of student recognition:

OUTSTANDING WORK ETHIC AWARD

Student's that receive all G work habit in each term receive this award.

PRINCIPAL'S HONOUR ROLL AND HONOUR ROLL

To qualify for Grade 8 – 11, students must be taking four (4) subjects per semester and achieve a cumulative grade point average of 3.0. In Grade 12, calculations will be based on the best three (3) per semester. The grade point average is calculated as follows: an "A" = 4.0; "B" = 3.0; "C+" = 2.5; "C" = 2.0. Students must not have a failing mark or C- in these eight subjects. Consult your counsellor for further information.

1. Honour Roll - Grade Point Average 3.0 to 3.49
2. Principal's Honour Roll - Grade Point Average 3.5 to 4.0

HONOUR CORD

Honour cord is awarded at the School Leaving Ceremony to students who were on the Honour Roll or Principal's Honour Roll for:

Grade 10 and 11- Terms 1, 2, 3, and 4.

Grade 12- Terms 1, 2, and 3

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are awarded to Grade 12 students for academic excellence and outstanding school and community service. Other scholarships may also be available through volunteer work, extra-curricular activities and professional affiliations. Students are urged to complete the Byrne Creek Profile Form early in the school year to maximize their eligibility for the wide array of scholarships available. These scholarships are intended for post-secondary education. There are several ways to get information about scholarships...

- Complete the Byrne Creek Scholarship Profile Form.
- Visit our school scholarship webpage (click on **Scholarships** link on school website)
- Watch for the school scholarship newsletter (3-4 issues per year) and for notices advertised on the school monitors.
- Check regularly in Student Services for updates, posters, and application forms.
- Check with the university or college you are interested in attending to find out about their scholarship program (most have up-to-date websites).
- Check a relative's place of work (companies and unions) or from a service club or similar organization. Many can be found by searching the internet.
- Check out the website www.studentawards.com.

SERVICE AWARDS

Service Awards recognize the enormous contributions our students make to the school community. There are two categories of Service Award. The type of award a student receives depends on the amount of service they have contributed throughout the year. We are a richer school because of these students who give their time above and beyond the call of duty. **It is important for all students to keep a record of the service hours that they have performed.** Forms to track these hours are available in student services or the main office. Senior students should note that service hours are a major requirement for most scholarships.

CRUCIAL TIPS!!

- Starting in **Grade 10**, begin a file containing reference letters, certificates, awards etc. If you can't prove your involvement in a volunteer activity then it will not be counted for the most prestigious awards.
- Volunteer work refers to both in school (eg. committees, organizing events) work and involvement in the community (eg. volunteer work with children, elderly folk, sports teams). For some scholarships, volunteer work is as important as academic achievement.

- **READ** the application carefully!!! Each scholarship has unique requirements, deadlines and ways of handling the forms. It is very important that you do **exactly** what the instructions say and provide the documentation required. Do not miss deadlines! **Include a cover letter.**
- Give teachers and other referees 2-3 weeks' notice to write reference letters.
- You will be given the Confidential Byrne Creek Scholarship Application. Fill this out carefully and be sure to include all your activities and the number of hours of volunteer involvement. It is important to explain your financial circumstances and your proposed course of study at a post-secondary institution. Submit this form once you have your Term 1 marks.
- *Have this form updated with *Term 2 marks as soon as you receive them.* If you have not filled out this form you will not be eligible for in-school scholarships.
- Attend the Post-Secondary Information session in the Fall for more information!

COURSE CHALLENGES

The purpose of Challenge is to acknowledge student learning so that students do not have to participate in courses that would be repetitive for them. The Challenge process is intended to respond to unique needs in exceptional circumstances; not to replace the valuable experience of learning in a classroom setting. The Challenge process has two distinct parts: application and examination. Information regarding challenge exams is available in Student Services. Registration may include fee payment, demonstration of readiness, and, in some cases, an initial assessment or preparation of a portfolio. Applications will be accepted at the school until the first week in November. Students may challenge a course only once. A student who is unsuccessful in challenging a course is still eligible to take the course for credit at a later date. See your counsellor for details.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

The Students' Government is organized to give students the best possible representation. The Executive Council, along with the grade representatives, is the decision-making body. The Students' Government works closely with the other councils in the school.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

The primary objective of the student leadership program is to develop leadership skills to support the school community. Leadership students encourage a sense of belonging for everyone. The student activities program will offer a wide range of activities designed to appeal to a variety of student interests. The objective is to involve as many students as possible in planning, implementing and evaluating activity programs -- student involvement develops a sense of student ownership. Everyone is encouraged to participate in Byrne Creek's student life.

BYRNE CREEK ACADEMIC WRITING STYLE GUIDE

A list of works consulted (or bibliography) is a list of all sources used and referred to (for print, visuals and audio). Check the “Reference Guide” at the end of this agenda for sample entries. For more specific information ask in the Byrne Library for Style Guide handouts or see the *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers* (808.027 G1B). Collect the information for your Works Consulted list as you do your research.

RULES:

1. **Centre** the words *Works Consulted* at the top of a separate page at the end of your presentation. Do not underline or put the heading in capitals or quotation marks. (Also, this page should, as the rest of your paper, be numbered, with your name on it).
2. **Double-space** all information, as you have done for the text of the body of your paper. Do not put in any extra line spaces between entries.
3. Arrange the entries alphabetically by author’s last name, or if no author, by the title (disregard but include A, An or The if it is the first word).
4. Do not number the entries.
5. **Indent** second and subsequent lines by five letter spaces.
6. Capitalize first and all principal words in the title and subtitle. Do not capitalize articles, prepositions and conjunctions.
7. Follow the **punctuation** in the examples carefully. This includes: underlining the title and subtitle, separating the title from subtitle with a colon, using quotation marks around article titles. Periods and commas go **INSIDE** quotation marks, and every entry should end with a period.
8. **Place of publication:** always a city (never a province or a country). If you can’t find a city, use n.p. to indicate “no place of publication given.” If it is an unfamiliar city, add an identifying detail.
9. **Publisher:** Use the shortened form of the publisher’s name, and omit business details such as “Co.,” “Inc.,” “Ltd.,” and descriptive words such as “Books,” “Press,” “Publishers.” Use UP for “University Press” (e.g., “U of Toronto P” and “Cambridge UP).
10. **Date:** use the most current copyright date (not reprint dates). Begin with day, abbreviate the month, (except for May, June and July) then year. Use n.d. for no date.
11. Be sure to get the URL (Uniform Resource Locator) or Internet address *exactly* right. Supply other identifying information, too—author’s name, title, so that your reader may be able to find it with a network searching tool (such as *Google* or *Alta Vista*) if the address changes in some way. If the URL is too long to fit on one line, break it after a slash.

District Technologies & Information Systems

DIGITAL RESPONSIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS

Burnaby School District provides students with access to Digital Technologies and Information Systems as a means to enhance their learning. Students have access to, amongst other things, public websites, secure virtual classrooms, discussion boards, video files, digital pictures, audio files, library systems, e-mail, file storage, printing, encyclopaedias, wikis, blogs, texting, social media and messaging tools.

The District will endeavour to:

- *ensure safe, orderly, and caring physical and digital learning spaces;*
- *impose guidelines on what students may see and do in digital environments;*
- *inform parents of potential risks.*

Digital Responsibility Guidelines apply to all students using District Technologies or technological devices within Burnaby School District. Students are expected to review and adhere to these guidelines or in the case of younger children, parents/guardians are expected to review these guidelines with your child. To be issued access privileges to District Technologies and Information Systems, all users must fill out the District Technologies & Information Systems Student Acceptable Use Agreement.

DIGITAL RESPONSIBILITY GUIDELINES

DO

- Use District and personally-owned devices and digital tools for educational purposes
- Follow copyright laws and acknowledge and respect the ownership of others for their creative works
- Keep your personal information (last name, home address, phone numbers, picture, passwords) private
- Respect the privacy of other students and adults
- Report uncomfortable, unsafe, or inappropriate behaviour or messages to your teacher or principal
- Treat others fairly and with respect
- Understand that digital tools such as e-mail, messaging, social networks, websites, wikis, blogs, texting are not guaranteed to be private

DO NOT

- Share your passwords
- Take and use someone else's identity (their name, password)
- Falsify your identity
- Take pictures or videos of others and share them without their permission

- Hurt or mistreat others by what you create or share
- Harass, stalk, bully, threaten, insult, abuse, or attack others
- Damage computer systems, networks, digital tools or content
- Access secure information owned by others without their permission
- Use information or work of others as your own without their permission
- Use software programs that are not provided by the District or that are not free or purchased by you for your personally-owned device
- Use District or personally-owned devices for commercial, illegal, or malicious purposes
- Use District or personally-owned devices to operate file sharing services
- Access or distribute pornographic or obscene pictures, videos, audio or text
- Meet with someone you met online without your parent(s) or guardian(s) approving

For more information on District Technologies and Information Systems, parents are encouraged to review Burnaby Board of Education Policy 7.90.01e

FEES AND EXPENSES

Student Activity Fee **\$25**
This fee includes the Student Government fee, I.D. cards, lock rental, the school agenda planner and support for Athletic Clubs and student activities.

Lock Replacement/PE Lock **\$5**
All students are provided with a hallway locker and lock. Students taking Physical Education should purchase a second lock for class use from the office for.

First Aid	\$160	St. John's Certification
AP Exam Fee	\$120	
Athletic Teams	\$25-\$150	per season
Band	\$100	instrument rental
Sport Academy (Basketball)	\$200	
School Leaving Ceremony	\$80	
Yearbook	\$75	
Grad Dinner/Dance	\$110	
PE 10	\$10	CPR Certification
Graphics/Media Industry Connect	\$150	(manual, portfolio & supplies)

Supplemental Course Costs: Students may incur additional costs for program options in all courses. Individual teachers will provide students with information about program option costs.

Payment of Fees and Expenses: Flexible payment schedules are available for all fees. Arrangements are made consistent with District Policy, in consultation with counselors and the administration, for students who demonstrate that they are unable to pay fees.

Pay by Cash or Cheques or Online: Cheques must be made out to *Byrne Creek Community School*. Please record the student's name and address on the back of the cheque and retain a copy for your records.

To pay online go to: <https://burnaby.schoolcashonline.com>

BURNABY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICIES ON WEAPONS & VIOLENCE

Burnaby schools have a motto: "Good Places to Learn". This means more than good teachers doing their job well. It involves creating and maintaining an overall environment that is conducive to learning in every way. Schools have always been an important part of our community and our lives. They offer a sense of security. They provide a supportive group of people, a centre for friendships and positive experiences, not to mention a valuable education. The Burnaby School district recognizes that violence in society is a threat to the safety of students and staff in the schools. The district also acknowledges its responsibility in ensuring that Burnaby schools provide secure learning environments, safe from threat, violence or intimidation in any form. To that end, some very clear and stringent policies on weapons and violence are in place, and readily enforced.

WHAT ARE THE OBJECTIVES OF THESE POLICIES?

The Weapons and Violence Policies are in place to:

- Provide a weapons and violence-free environment in all Burnaby schools.
- Indicate and communicate the seriousness and non-acceptance of weapons and violence in our schools.
- Deter people from possessing weapons or engaging in violent acts in our schools.

WHO IS SUBJECT TO THESE POLICIES?

The policies on weapons and violence apply to every student registered in a Burnaby School District school or program. They also apply to anyone participating in district-related functions such as sports and recreational activities.

WHAT IS BEING DONE:

The Burnaby School District has taken a proactive approach to dealing with school violence by encouraging and fostering a positive school climate through a number of initiatives. These include:

- Developing classroom curriculum, which addresses issues of violence.

- Providing violence awareness presentations to students, staff and parents.
- Developing strategies, which increase students' self esteem.
- Providing conflict resolution training to students, staff and parents.
- Providing information films, videos and literature.
- Acting consistently in matters involving student discipline.
- Ensuring that students requiring support have access to trained professional staff.
- Working closely with law enforcement agencies.
- Developing, communicating and enforcing from policies on weapons and violence in schools.

HOW CAN PARENTS HELP?

Parents and guardians can play a significant role in eliminating violence. As parents or guardians, you should be aware of:

- your child's behaviour,
- the behaviour of your child's friends,
- the district's policies on weapons and violence and
- the consequences of unreported violence.

Once parents become aware of these policies, they are encouraged to discuss them with their children. Any violent incident should be reported to the principal and police.

WHO CAN PARENTS CALL FOR ASSISTANCE?

If violence is a problem for parents or students, there are many agencies and people who can provide assistance. Including:

1. A member of your school Administrative Team 604.296.6885
2. Your school counsellor (assigned by alpha)..... 604.296.6885
3. Burnaby RCMP School Liaison Officer 604.296.6885
4. Burnaby School District Manager of Youth Services 604-296-6900
5. Burnaby RCMP Youth Services..... 604-294-7720

WHAT DOES THE BOARD SAY?

The Board considers violence, intimidation or the possession or use of any weapon by anyone on school premises as unacceptable.

WHAT IS CONSIDERED A WEAPON?

A weapon is defined as any instrument designed or used to injure or intimidate another person.

WHAT ACTION WILL BE TAKEN?

The policies outline procedures a school administrator will follow in instances involving violence or intimidation. In all cases, the principal/designate and superintendent will be notified and will communicate with the student's parent or guardian.

Depending on the nature and severity of the situation, one or more of the following actions will be taken:

- The police will be contacted
- The student will be suspended from school
- The matter will be referred to the District Student Intervention Committee
- The student may be placed in an alternative learning situation
- The student will be required to participate in a counselling program
- The student will be expelled.

WHAT FORMS OF VIOLENCE ARE COVERED BY THESE POLICIES?

These policies are meant to regulate violence in every sense, including, but not limited to:

1. Physical violence and intimidation
2. Verbal or written threats against individual or groups
3. Group violence
4. Possession or use of weapons
5. Media which portrays violence as an acceptable norm

DAILY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY REQUIREMENTS

Information for Grade 8 -12 Students: (refer to <http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/dpa/> for more information)

What is DPA? Daily Physical Activity (DPA) refers to physical activity that people do on a daily basis. DPA includes activities that help develop endurance, strength, and flexibility. Your DPA choices can represent your likes and interests. All activity counts, as long as you are moving.

How much do I need to do? Each student in Grade 10, 11, and 12 will need to participate in physical activity for at least 150 minutes (2.5 hours) per week. Each activity must last at least 10 minutes or more and be of moderate to vigorous level of intensity. Students in grade 8 - 9 will need 30 minutes per day.

What does “moderate to vigorous intensity” mean? Moderate intensity is when the activity you are doing causes your heart rate and breathing to increase (“I am feeling warmer”). Vigorous intensity is when your heart rate is faster and you are slightly breathless, but, you can still talk (“I’m huffing and puffing”).

Does taking PE/ Dance satisfy the requirement? In a semester that you are taking PE classes (*ie Kit Fit/ Weight Training/ Conditioning ...etc*) or Dance classes, you are getting more than 150 minutes of activity per week. During the time that you do not have PE/ Dance you will need to do some other sort of activity.

What activities can I do?

Endurance Activities: activities that help develop your cardiovascular endurance such as brisk walking, swimming, cycling, jogging, sports (such as soccer, basketball, and rugby), aerobics, dancing, cross-country skiing, tag games.

Strength Activities: activities that help develop the strength of different muscle groups such as push-ups, racquet and ball games, core training, skating, house chores, martial arts. This can be done in the community or with friends and family.

Flexibility Activities: activities that help develop the flexibility of different parts of the body such as yoga, gymnastics, dancing, Pilates.

What activities does Byrne Creek provide? You can join one of Byrne Creek's many extracurricular sport teams, sign up for the weight training club, participate in open gym activities at lunch, join an intramural league (see schedule posted by the gym), or any other activity in class (*ie PE Leadership, Dance, ... etc.*).

Why is DPA important? It can help you increase your energy levels, reduce the risk of heart disease, diabetes, osteoporosis, build stronger muscles and bones, maintain optimum weight, enhance your concentration and academic performance, increase self-esteem, give you an opportunity to make new friends and spend time with family, reduce stress, and develop leadership skills you can use throughout life.

How will I keep track of my DPA? If you are NOT registered in a school physical activity class (*ie PE, Dance, Weight Training / Keep Fit / Conditioning ... etc.*) or school-based sports team/ club then you can pick up a DPA Calendar Log sheet from the PE Office or in Student Services. Please complete and submit at the end of each term.