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Keeping you up to date on events and resources essential for healthier schools and communities

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About Us

Our Purpose: Located at the University of the Fraser Valley in Abbotsford BC, the BC Centre for Safe Schools and Communities is committed to promoting evidence based approaches for safe, healthy and inclusive schools and communities.

Our Mandate: To provide research and resources which support the creation of safe and socially just schools and communities throughout the province.

To learn more about who we are and what is available through our centre...

Visit us online: www.bccssc.ca

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Saturdays 10:00 am- 4:00 pm

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Monthly Theme

We have two themes for the month of July, 'Canada Day' and 'Drug Awareness'.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY CANADA!

For historical information on Canada Day go to http://www.pch.gc.ca/PROGS/CPSC-CCSP/JFA-HA/CANADA_E.CFM

Celebrations of many kinds, representing the wide variety of cultures, traditions and people groups that make up Canada are being conducted across the country. Try the following sites for some ideas that might interest you:

<http://www.canadaplace.ca/canadaday/>

<http://www.northvancouver.ca/canadaday/>
<http://www.canadadayfireworks.ca/event.aspx>
<http://www.parksalive.com/canadaday.htm>
<http://www.victoria.ca/canadaday/>

DRUG AWARENESS

The BC Centre for Social Responsibility, a co-located Centre with BC Safe Schools and Communities, has put together several brochures and fact sheets which address some of the most widely abused drugs in our society including; crystal meth, ketamine, alcohol, and prescription drugs. These, as well as many other helpful brochures, is being showcased in the Centre's library. Stop by to pick up these free resources or visit our website at <http://www.bccsr.ca/bccsr.ca/factsheets> or send us an email and we would be happy to email you a pdf version of each.

An information sheet to support parents over the summer about how to recognize and respond to their son or daughter's drug use can be found on the BC Centre for Safe Schools and Communities website. [Click here for more information.](#)

Teen Drug Trends is a parent's guide to understanding and responding to teen drug use. This guide has been produced by retired Port Moody Police Sergeant Rob McGirr and financially supported by The Members of West Vancouver Police Association and Port Moody Police Services Union. To access 'Teen Drug Trends' go to www.bcfedpolice.com and click on the link under the 'News' section

Library Corner

Featured Resources for Summer Learning or Fall Planning

BC Tobacco Facts: Curriculum for Grades 4 to 12 (Activity Kit) From the BC Ministry of Education each grade set includes overheads, curriculum and student/teacher activity guides.

Gateway: From Small Beginnings to Addiction (Media Kit) A made in BC film from the Surrey school district. From the life of Aaron, a kid full of promise and hope who finds himself on the road to addiction after a series of poor decisions, to those who have died from first time experimentation, the Gateway looks into the growing problem of substance use through the eyes of those closest to it.

Closing the Gateway: Preventative Thoughts for Proactive Parents (DVD) A companion DVD to the Gateway. Closing the Gateway seeks to help parents better understand the ever-changing world of substance use. The film examines a wide range of topics that are critical to the success of both parents and children alike.

Death by JIB: The Dangers of Crystal Meth (Media Kit) Crystal meth is a highly addictive and dangerous drug that is devastating to individuals, families and communities.

Turning youth away from ever trying the drug is the ultimate hop of prevention efforts. Features cities from across the US and Canada, the film is graphic in nature and is considered age appropriate for grades 7 and up.

Dying High: Teens in the ER (Media Kit) Includes a DVD, curriculum guides along with reproducible student activity sheets. Appropriate for grades 7 and up, the material depicts true stories of lives that have been affected, and how good choices can be made in bad situations.

Visit our on-line lending library at www.bccssc.ca

Upcoming Events and Activities

Advanced Training in Inclusive Leadership July 9-13, 2008, Vancouver Island, BC

For more information, a flyer and registration package contact Linda McDaniels, Youth Projects Support, Cowichan Intercultural Society
Email: lindamcd.cis@telus.net Phone: 250-748-3112, Fax: 250-748-1335

Brain Development & Learning: Making Sense of the Science Conference July 12-15, 2008 Vancouver BC, Sheraton Wall Center Hotel

Scholarship Opportunity

The Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD) and the BC Mental Health and Addiction Services of the PHSA have offered scholarships for 20 community people to attend the Brain Development and Learning Conference this summer for \$60 each, rather than \$600 each. To apply for a scholarship or to register for the conference visit:

<http://www.interprofessional.ubc.ca/bdl.html>

Tribes Training- Building Community for Learning Workshop (K-12) August 25-28, 2008, Burnaby BC

For more information and a registration form contact David Heard, Program Consultant at david.heard@sd41.bc.ca, or 604-717-5074.

Coin-spiracy, Program for Educators September 2008

Coin-spiracy is a child centred social responsibility program that is intended to promote acts of kindness throughout the world. Registrations are currently being accepted for September 2008. If you are interested in finding out more information for your school or district, you can contact Eden MacDonald at 604.515.5463 or email emacdonald@kindacts.net Website: www.kindacts.net

The BC Centre for Safe Schools and Communities has one sample copy of the Coin-spiracy program in the resource collection. If you wish to preview this program, please visit our website at www.bccssc.ca and click on "Lending Library" or call the library direct at 604-870-5461.

**BC Centres' Open House BBQ
September 2008, University of the Fraser Valley, Abbotsford, BC**

The BC Centre for Safe Schools and Communities, BC Non-Profit Development and BC Centre for Social Responsibility would like to invite you to the University of the Fraser Valley (UFV) for an open house and BBQ. Our centres have been in operation at UFV since 2004 and have developed a specialized resource library, and many other valuable resources. We are eager to share with you how our services can be a valuable contribution to your resource needs.

For more information or to be placed on our e-invitation list, please contact Tamara Childs, Centre's Assistant at safeschoolscommunities@ucfv.ca, or 1-888-224-7233.

**Crime Prevention Symposium
October 3rd, 2008, Richmond BC**

The BCCPA is hosting their 30th Crime Prevention Information Exchange. This year's theme is Prevention Through Collaboration "Where Ideas Converge". For more information contact Inika Wong at 604-291-9959 ext. 229 or symposium@bccpa.org. For complete BCCPA Training Symposium program details visit www.bccpa.org/symposium.

**The Fourth R: Training
October 24, 2008, Vancouver BC**

The Fourth R is a comprehensive curriculum that targets adolescent risk taking behaviour and was developed at the University of West Ontario. The program is comprised of three units: Relationship Safety, Sexual Health, and Substance Use/Abuse. For more information and to register visit <http://www.vsb.bc.ca/vsbprograms/prod/register.htm?page=workshopdetails&workshopid=578>

**Making Connections - Systems for Success
November 5-7, 2008 Richmond, BC.**

November 6th will have featured Plenary Speaker, Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond, BC Children's Representative

Making Connections 2008 is the 11th Annual Conference focusing on a systemic, positive, school-wide approach to creating a safe and caring school culture. Promising practices will include linking assessment to instruction, linking social responsibility with PBS, and implementing PBS in elementary, middle, and secondary schools.

For further information, please contact Kathy Champion at: 604-668-6063 or by email: kchampion@richmond.sd38.bc.ca or visit our website at: <https://mail.sd35.bc.ca/~BC-PBS/>

Hot Topics and Releases

The Healthy Aboriginal Network

If you like comic books, check out this site. The Healthy Aboriginal Network is a non-profit promoter of Aboriginal Health, Literacy & Wellness. The latest update in health literacy comic books include: Suicide Prevention, Diabetes, Staying in School, Gambling Addiction, and Language Retention. To take a look, go to <http://thehealthyaboriginal.net/>

We Would Love to Hear From You

If you have information or an event that supports our mandate of promoting healthier schools and communities, we would love to hear about it. Please forward your correspondence to safeschoolscommunities@ucfv.ca for consideration on our provincial e-list. We look forward to hearing from you.

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