

# POINT GREY SECONDARY

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## NEWS & EVENTS

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### **International Universities Fairs Vancouver Convention Centre – West Building Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 1-4pm free**

This free event is the collective effort of the National Association for College Admission Counseling and the International Association for College Admission Counseling. We work in collaboration for the benefit of our student and parent communities.

Many Canadian students seek postsecondary education in Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, as well as other countries. To receive additional information and updates about this fair, join the mailing list at [www.nacacfairs.org/vancouver](http://www.nacacfairs.org/vancouver). The Fair is free, but students are encouraged to [register first](#).

### **LRFP Update**

Thank you to everyone who sent emails to the Vancouver School Board to share your feedback on its Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) draft.

- School Trustees heard from families throughout the city, and there was widespread opposition to the proposal for school closures. In response, the VSB agreed at its meeting Monday night to delete the recommendation in the LRFP that the Board consider closing schools in 2020.
- This fall, the VSB will be consulting with stakeholders and the Ministry of Education to determine its next steps.
- To be clear, this message is unrelated to Point Grey's long-overdue seismic upgrade. The Point Grey PAC's top priority is getting our students, teachers and staff into a seismically safe school. We have made this point repeatedly to the VSB and will continue to advocate for it.

### **What does all this mean?**

For now, school closure/consolidation is off the table. But the VSB still needs to figure out how to manage its district-wide seismic upgrade program with a limited budget. We will keep in close touch with the VSB and the DPAC in the coming months and let you know when we have more news. (And when we need more parent support!)

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## **PG PAC Direct Drive Campaign**

We will be sending out our direct drive fundraising campaign this week. The funds we raise go back to support programs, clubs and scholarships at Point Grey. Please give generously.

### **Staff Appreciation Lunch Volunteers Needed**

Would you like to help in showing our appreciation to our inspirational teachers and staff at Point Grey? The PAC is hosting the annual Staff Appreciation Luncheon on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 in the staff lounge. Volunteering is a wonderful way to get to know other families in our amazing school community!

Approximately 80 teachers and staff have been invited to come out to this year's event where we formally thank them for all of their efforts on behalf of the students. The PAC will be sponsoring the catered lunch and the door prize gifts. The PG Mini School families will be helping to provide salads for the luncheon.

On Tuesday, May 28th, we need some volunteers to help out in these ways:

- 9:00 am to 10:30 am to help set up the staff lounge room #202 (move furniture, tables, chairs, set the tables and buffet area, etc.)
- 11:00 – 12:30 Set up the buffet, serve food, wash dishes
- 12:30 – 2:00 pm General clean up duties, stack tables and extra chairs and return staff room to its original state.

Please send an email to Eudora Ng ([eudora\\_ng@yahoo.ca](mailto:eudora_ng@yahoo.ca)) by Friday, May 17th before the Victoria Day long weekend if you are able to help or with any questions. Thank you in advance!

### **Gift Cards - next deadline May 17th - 10am**

A gift card is not just for gifts. Do you shop at Choices? Safeway? Stongs? If you purchase a gift card from us for your shopping, the PAC will get 4, 5 or even 7% of the value of your gift card. The PAC then puts the money back into projects and activities in the school that benefit our kids!

How does this magical fundraiser work? You'll download an order form, choose what gift cards you'd like, tally it up and send the form with a cheque made out to Point Grey PAC into school with your child. They drop it at the office, we order the gift cards and deliver them to you in about a week!

Our next order deadline is Friday, May 17th, 10am, delivered on Fri, May 24th, pick up by the end of the day from the school office. You will need an ID to pick up the order.

You'll notice a percentage on the order sheet, that's the percentage of the gift card that will go to the PAC – for example a \$100 Choices gift card will raise 7% for the school or \$7 or a \$50 gift card to Starbucks will raise \$2.50 for the school. It doesn't seem like much, but it adds up. So why not pay for that coffee with a gift card purchased through the PAC. You can download the order form at [www.pointgreyparents.org](http://www.pointgreyparents.org) go to the Fundraising Tab.

Questions: [pointgreypac@gmail.com](mailto:pointgreypac@gmail.com)

## 2019-2020 Budget Development Process Consultation

The 2019-2020 annual VSB budget continues to be developed. Your input during this process provides valuable information for the Board to consider as it weighs options throughout the budget development period. Please participate in the District's online engagement by April 30, 2019. Visit [vsb.ethelo.net](http://vsb.ethelo.net) to take part.

There are several ways to share your feedback about the annual budget. Written submissions can be sent via email to: [budget2019-2020@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:budget2019-2020@vsb.bc.ca). Input can also be provided through delegation presentations at meetings. A Committee-of-the-Whole is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 7:00 pm at Education Centre located at 1580 West Broadway**. This meeting is intended to provide an opportunity for members of the public to present to the Board about the draft budget. If you wish to make a delegation presentation, please send an email to the above address.

### Upcoming Calendar Dates

- Mon, May 6, 7pm – VSB Special Board Meeting. Report on DPAC general meeting & survey
- Fri, May 10, 6:30pm – Jazz Night – large gym at PG - \$5 students/ \$10 adults
- Wed, May 15,
  - 7pm – Point Grey PAC AGM, Staff Room
  - 7pm – VSB Committee-of-the-Whole meeting – Education Centre, 1580 West Broadway

### Grad Dates to Note

- Fri June 7
  - 9:00 am MANDATORY Grad Assembly (Auditorium)
  - 9:15 - 10:30 am Cafeteria - Grad Breakfast prepared by staff
- Wed, June 19
  - 12:34 pm Immediately after rehearsal
  - MANDATORY Grad Rehearsal (Auditorium) - Cafeteria - pickup grad gown package and two complimentary guest tickets for Chan Centre
  - Extra tickets (\$8 each) will be sold (maximum 6) after grad gown pickup. Location will be announced at the grad rehearsal
- Thurs, June 20, 8:00 - 8:30 am Extra grad tickets (if any available) sold on first come-first served basis (Office). Extra tickets \$8 each
- Tues, June 25
  - 3:00 pm Chan Centre - Grads must arrive in preparation for the ceremony Chan Centre doors open for guests
  - 4:00 pm All guests must be seated, ceremonies start promptly

Weekly Newsletter submissions accepted until Wednesday 8pm [pointgreypac@gmail.com](mailto:pointgreypac@gmail.com) More information to be found on <https://www.pointgreyparents.org>

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