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Administration Message

Dear RTCS Families:

Welcome back! We hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. It's wonderful to see our hallways filled with energy, laughter, and learning once again.

A warm welcome to all of our new students and families joining us at Rosedale Traditional Community School, we're so glad to have you here! Whether you're new or returning, we're excited to begin another year of growth, discovery, and community.

Our dedicated staff has been hard at work preparing for a successful school year, and we're committed to making your child's learning experience positive, safe, and engaging.

Stay Connected!

We believe in strong partnerships between home and school. To help you stay informed throughout the year:

- Visit our school website and follow us on Facebook for news, updates, and upcoming events.
- If you're not receiving school emails, please contact the school office to ensure we have your current email address.
- Don't forget to complete the Technology Acceptable Use Agreement Form via Permission Click If you haven't received it, reach out to us and we'll resend the link.

We are so proud to be part of such an amazing school and community. Let's work together to care, engage, and inspire every student to reach their full potential.

Here's to a fantastic school year ahead!



Warm regards,

Mr. Fehlauer & Ms. Davis, RTCS Administration.





Parking Lot

We know that parking is at a premium in the morning and at the end of the day. Please make sure you are not parking in the through lanes, bus lanes, or in no parking areas. Our drop-off area is just outside the library. If that is full, please park in the parking lot to avoid unsafe situations and blocking off traffic. Please use the crosswalk and crossing guard when moving back and forth between the parking lot and the school.

Drop Off

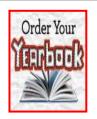
Supervision for students begins at 7:30 a.m. Please do not drop off your students or have them walk to school before supervision begins. We also ask that if you are using the drop-off lane, that you remain in your car. This will keep traffic flowing. If you need to get out of your car, please park in the parking lot.

End of Day Pick Up

We are doing our best at the end of the day to ensure that students get to their busses on time, or for those that are picked up by a parent, that this happens safely. To reduce congestion, we ask that students and parents do not congregate at the front entrance so students can get to their bus or car without walking through a crowd. Students who are getting picked up by a car are asked to wait on the sidewalk in front of the library. We also ask that students who are walking, biking, or scootering home, to leave the campus right away. Those waiting for late buses are asked to wait on the playground and to avoid the front entranceway.

Yearbook Reminder

Just a reminder to order your school yearbook early. The cost of the Yearbook is currently **\$50.00** if you order from the school office and pay before December 31st. The price of the yearbook will increase to \$55.00 after December 31st, 2025.



UPCOMING EVENTS



- > September 15
 - Kindergarten First Full Day
- > September 16
 - Blue Shirt Day (Alopecia Awareness)
- ➤ September 19
 - Casual Friday
 - Terry Fox Run Activities
 - PAC Freezie Fundraiser
- > September 22
 - RTCS PAC Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
- > September 24
 - PAC Student Pancake Breakfast (7:30 am)
 - Div. 2B, 4 & 45B Trip / Cheam Wetlands
- ➤ September 26
 - Orange Shirt Day @ RTCS
 - Grade 7 Trip / Browne Creek Wetlands
- > September 29
 - Non-Instructional Day (School Closed)
- > September 30
 - National Day for Truth & Reconciliation Statutory Holiday (School Closed)
- October 1
 - School Photo Day (Wear Uniform Shirts / Grades K-8)



..... Grade 6 Trip / Greendale Acres

- October 3
 - Bus Evacuation Training (Grades K-5)
- October 10
 - Grade 6-8 Activity Day
- ➤ October 13-17
 - Interim Report Week (Grades K-8)
- ➤ October 13
 - Thanksgiving Holiday (School Closed)





Student Absences

School District #33 Chilliwack has implemented a new system for reporting student attendance. Please see the information letter in this newsletter regarding reporting student absences using the Safe Arrival program.

School Photo Day



School photos will be taken in the morning on **Wednesday**, **October 1st**. Students and staff are requested to wear their uniform shirts for photo day.

Orange Shirt Day

This month, Tuesday, September 30th, 2025 will be recognized across the country as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Please wear an orange shirt to honor the survivors of the residential school system, and to recognize the ongoing impacts today.

Medical Alert

If your child has a medical condition or allergy that may be life-threatening, or requires your son or daughter to use an Epipen or Inhaler, please notify our office staff so that we are able to update our files with their correct information. Please provide the office staff with an up-to-date Epipen or Asthma Inhaler that can be kept on hand should your child require its use while they are at school. Students who use prescription medication at school are required to have a Medical Alert Form completed and kept on file at the school office.

Technology Forms

At the end of August, the School District #33 Technology Acceptable Use Agreement form was sent out to all parents/guardians through *Permission Click*. It is important for all of our students, Grades K-8, to have this form completed in order for them to:

- Log-in to a school computer
- Use Student Wi-Fi
- Access any online services such as Office 365

All RTCS parents are also requested to complete the RTCS 2025-26 Media Parent Release form. These forms are required to be completed yearly for all students, and are available on your child's Student Quick Pay Account under Optional Items.

Police Information Check

All volunteers with the Chilliwack School District are required to complete a Vulnerable Police Information Check (PIC) through the Criminal Records Review Program (CRRP). PIC's are effective for 5 years and there is no cost associated with the online form.

All volunteer PIC applications are now required to be completed online. Instructions are included in this newsletter.

Currently there are delays to the Criminal Records Review Program (CRRP / Policy Information Checks) due to the current BCGEU strike. This is affecting how quickly applications can be processed. Here's what parents need to know:

- ➤ Online applications using a BC Services Card are still being processed and should be used whenever possible.
- Applications needing fingerprinting or adjudication will face longer delays. We do not have a timeline for this.
- CRRP phone and email support is not available right now. Emails and phone calls will not be returned during the strike.



Library Learning Commons News

Kiwanis Super Readers – Elementary:



The Kiwanis Super Reader program is happening once again for our elementary students. All elementary students are eligible for prizes for every 25 nights read (or being read to) that are recorded on their "Reading Log". Reading Logs are found in student planners; kindergarten students will be getting single page paper reading logs. Once students have completed 25 nights, they can bring their reading log to the library for a prize. There will be special presentations upon reaching 100 nights and 200 nights. If your child has been reading (or read to) consistently, please start from the first day of school.

Library Volunteers - Grades 5 - 8:

Students from grades 5 to 8 are invited to apply to be a library volunteer; they can listen to the announcements for information. These students will have 1 – 3 shifts per week (before school or at lunch) to help with a variety of tasks. Grade 8 students that are consistent and reliable throughout the year are welcome to ask for a reference letter in June.

Wool / Yarn Donations:

Our library has acquired a few round knitting looms; making toques to donate to a local charity is a fun service project. If you have any clean yarn that would be suitable for this project, please send it in with your youth and ask them to drop it off in the library.



RTCS Athletics Deparment

We are looking forward to another year of movement and skill-building in the gym! As we prepare for a new year of instruction, please remember that your child needs proper fitting indoor running shoes (that they can tie independently) and a water bottle for all PHE classes.

All **numbered**, red, microfibre Ravens Athletics t-shirts belong to the school. They are used for team sports. If you have a red, numbered athletic shirt at home, please send it back to school with your child. If you would like to purchase any Ravens apparel, please order online or through the office.

If we have coaches, students in 4th and 5th grade will be able to sign up to participate in cross-country, soccer and curling teams this fall. Parents will need to drive their athletes to and from all after school games/events.

If we have coaches, middle school students will be able to sign up for triple ball and volleyball, boys soccer, and/or cross country.

Our athletic program depends heavily on the volunteers that coach our young athletes. If you have a passion for coaching and are interested in coaching any of our teams this year, please contact Ms. Fearn (kirsty_fearn@sd33.bc.ca) to receive more information. Thank you!



All volunteers and homestay parents with the Chilliwack School District are required to complete a Vulnerable Police Information Check (PIC) through the Criminal Records Review Program (CRRP). PIC's are effective for 5 years and there is no cost associated with the online form.

In accordance with the Criminal Records Review Act, Applicants for volunteering, section 24.4 (1) Before working with children or working with vulnerable adults as a volunteer with a registered specified organization, an individual must provide to the registered specified organization a criminal record check authorization or a criminal record check verification authorization, as applicable.

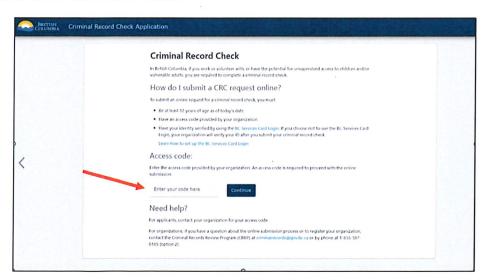
Please visit the link below to complete your Police Information Check (PIC). The access code is also required when proceeding with the online submission. In order to assist in successful completion, please read the guide below and have all your documents ready before clicking on the link.

Link To CRC Applicant Process Video: https://youtu.be/RP58Vipb-hl?si=KrpXorgtJPFUFxlk

Online Link: https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck

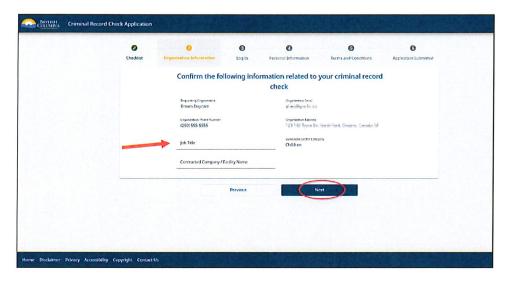
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1. When you access the link, you will see the page displayed below. Type in the access code provided above and click continue.

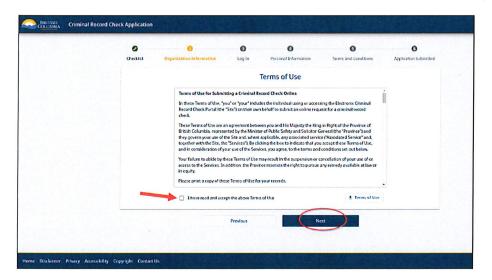




2. Review the information provided on the page is correct and click Next. Under "Job Title" enter VOLUNTEER or HOMESTAY.



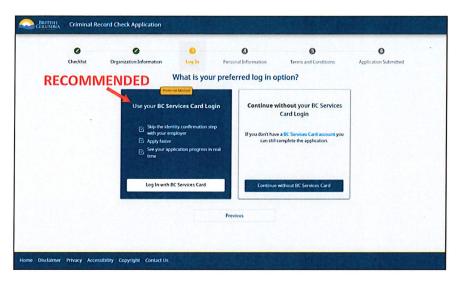
3. Review the Terms of Use, scroll to the bottom and check off that you have read and accepted the Terms of Use, then click Next.





4. Please select one of the options.

Please note: if you do not have or chose not to create a BCeID account you will need to make an appointment to come in to the Board Office (8430 Cessna Drive) for an ID Verification by emailing volunteer@sd33.bc.ca or calling 604-792-1321. Failure to do so will result in a delay to the PIC being processed. Applications will be discontinued after 90 days if an appointment is not scheduled. If continuing without BC Services Card Login proceed to step 5.



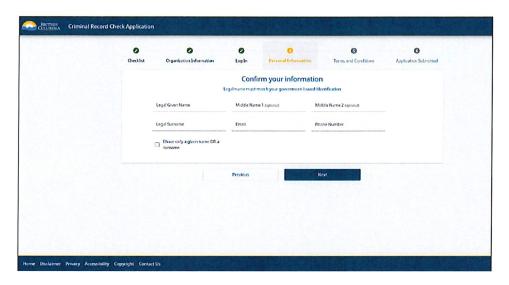
a. BC Services Card Login steps. Once confirmed on the app it will take you to the Application Page (Step 5).



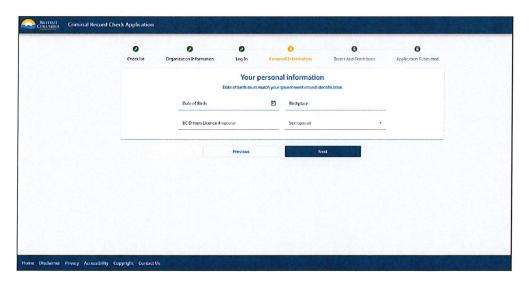




5. Enter the requested fields and click next.

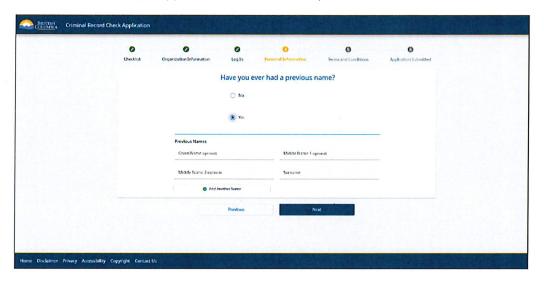


6. Enter the requested field and click next.

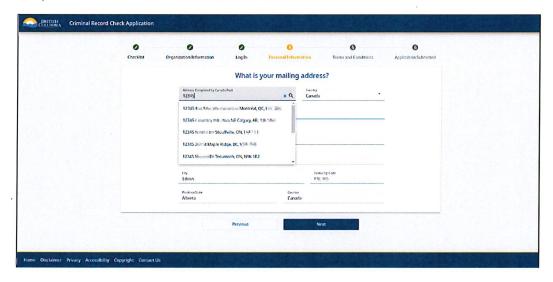




7. Enter alias information, if applicable. Select next to proceed.

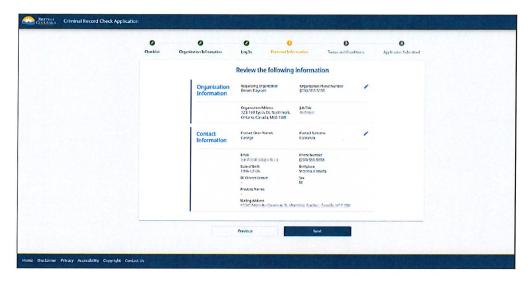


8. Enter your address. Select the Next button.

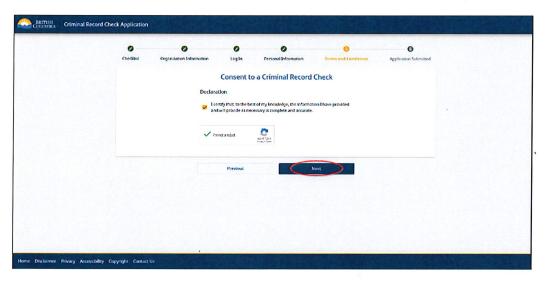




9. Review and confirm the information entered. At the bottom of the page, complete the declaration confirming that the information is correct, and click Next.

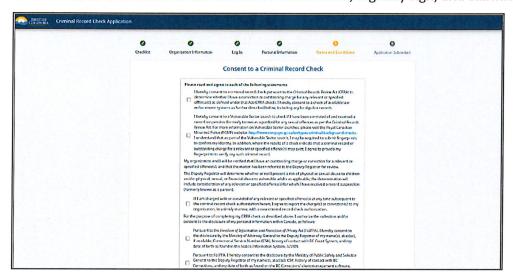


10. Certify that the information provided is complete and accurate. Verify the CAPTCHA and click Submit.





11. Tick each checkbox to consent to the criminal record check, digitally sign, and submit.



Once you have successfully completed the online authorization, the PIC result will be sent directly to the Chilliwack School District Board Office (8430 Cessna Drive) after the check is finished.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Board Office at <u>volunteer@sd33.bc.ca</u> or call 604-792-1321 if you have any questions or concerns.



SafeArrival Letter to Parents

September 12, 2025

Dear RTCS Parents/Guardians:

At School District #33 (Chilliwack), one of our greatest priorities is ensuring that all our students arrive safely at school each and every day.

To enhance our existing absence-checking procedure, we are introducing *a new, more efficient* student absence reporting system called **SafeArrival**. This new system will reduce the time it takes to verify student attendance, make it easy for you to report your child's absence and easy for staff to respond to unexplained student absences.

With **SafeArrival**, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance using any of these 3 convenient methods:

- 1) Using your mobile device, download and install the **SchoolMessenger app** from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at https://www.sd33.bc.ca/safe-arrival). The first time you use the app, select **Sign Up** to create your account. Select **Attendance** then **Report an Absence**.
- 2) Use the SafeArrival website, https://www.sd33.bc.ca/safe-arrival. The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.

Call the toll-free number **1-833-698-6567** to report an absence using the automated phone system.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time.

In addition, we will use the **SchoolMessenger Communicate** automated notification system to contact parents whose child is absent when the absence was not reported in advance. The automated notification system will attempt to contact parents at multiple contact points until a reason is submitted for the absence. If our system is unable to reach the designated contacts, office staff will follow up.

If you report your child's absence in advance using the **SafeArrival** toll-free number, website or mobile app, you will NOT receive these notifications.

Please report absences in advance using **SafeArrival** instead of sending notes or calling/emailing the school.

CHILLIWACK FAMILY RESOURCE FAIR

INFORMATION, SUPPORT & CONNECTION FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

You are invited to a FREE Chilliwack Family Resource Fair hosted by:









Drop in anytime between 5–8pm to visit resource booths, learn about services, and attend short, family-focused sessions on topics like:

- Mental wellness
- Connect Parenting
- Supporting youth impacted by substance use
- Helping children with challenging behaviours
- Navigating grief & loss
- Supporting school attendance

Childcare and light snacks will be available, so bring the whole family!

Drop-in medical services by CYHC Medical Director & President of BC Family Doctors, Dr. Darren Joneson



Wednesday 15 October, 2025



5:00PM-8:00PM



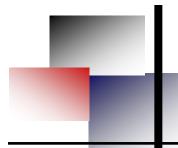
Chilliwack Secondary / NLC 46363 Yale Rd



Scan or click the QR code to learn more or to register

Registration not required but it helps us for planning!





Rosedale Traditional Community School Society (RTCSS) Fall 2025

RTCSS follows all PHO in addition to the Ministry of Education Direction around communicable disease plans. Please email if you are uncertain if there are new restrictions.



Web: www.rtcss.ca

RosedaleTraditionalCommunitySchoolSociety(rtcss)











Check us out on Facebook!

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 8am-5pm Friday 10am-4pm

50850 Yale Road Rosedale BC V0X 1X2 Phone: 604 378-0300 Email: rtcss@rtcss.ca www.rtcss.ca

RTCSS Membership

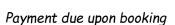
Members of the society consist of any person enrolled in a RTCSS program. When participant is under the age of 16, parent or guardian will be considered a member of the society. Memberships are at no charge when enrolled in a program.

party Rentals

\$100 for two hours

Includes:

Multipurpose room
Kitchen
Small gym with equipment



Looking to host a large gathering, business meeting or a sports camp? We have the space for you Contact us today for custom rentals.

All rentals are booked through email.
Please email rtcss@rtcss.ca to enquire about availability and cost.

Tea and Tots

Parent/tots drop in social Wednesdays 9:30-11am



Parents are welcome to drop in to a play-based interactive space. Meet other parents and create new relationships and healthy attachment. Our program is led by an experienced Early Childhood Educator who will create a safe, inclusive environment for all! Tea, coffee and water will be available.

Starts October 1st

"Time spent playing with children is never time wasted."

Don Lantero

Pre-registration required-FREE!



Call for Instructors

RTCSS is always looking for new programs to provide to community members.

If you have hidden talent or a hobby you enjoy and would like to share with community members, we welcome you to submit a program proposal.

Programs can be for any age, from age 3 to 100! Sports, crafts, dance, carving etc.

We'd love to hear from you!



Music Lessons

All levels welcome. Lessons are private, once a week for 1/2 hour

Guitar: Mondays \$25 per 1/2 hr lesson Piano: \$22 per 1/2hr lesson Piano Full-accepting waitlist requests



6-11 years

10+ years

This is an interactive, participatory program that

is designed to teach children to make safe

choices while At Home Alone.

Tiny Cooks

4-5yrs

For children who love to help in the kitchen. Children will work together to complete a recipe item to take home and share with mom and dad, or perhaps eat it before it gets there!

Thursdays Nov 6-27



2:15-3:15pm

Soccer Fun! 3-4yrs

A preschool soccer program for kids is specifically designed to teach soccer to preschool children. This includes the basics of the sport, dribbling, passing, and shooting.

Tuesdays Oct 7-Nov 18 3-3:45pm \$40





Funding Acknowledgement

This venture has been made possible due to a partnership between School District #33 and the City of Chilliwack. RTCSS would like to gratefully acknowledge funding received by the City of Chilliwack.



Young Artist Arts and Crafts 6-9yrs Designed for the young artist at heart. This program will explore the world of art through a variety

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Wednesdays Oct 8-29 2:15-3:15pm \$60



Chef's In Training

7-11yrs

Hands on program. Each week students will make dishes to take home and share with mom and dad, or perhaps eat it before it gets there! New recipes are shared in each session.

Thursdays Nov 6-27



3:30-4:30pm \$70

Tennis Fundamentals

Our tennis program for kids ages 6-12 focuses on developing fundamental tennis skills in a fun and engaging way. Through age-appropriate drills, games, and friendly match play, children learn proper technique, coordination, footwork, and sportsmanship. Whether they are beginners or improving their skills, the program builds confidence, physical fitness, and a love for the game in a supportive environment.

Ages 6-9yrs Thursdays Oct 9-Nov 27 Ages 10-12yrs Thursday Oct 9-Nov 27

5:00-6:00pm \$140

6:15-7:15pm \$140



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Pro D Day Classes

10+yrs

9:00am-1:00pm

Babysitters Training 11+yrs

Learn about your rights and responsibilities, how to care for a child and how to deal with emergency situations. You will receive a certificate at the end of this Canadian Safety Counsel Babysitters Course.

Friday Oct 24

Nov 3

9:00am-4:30pm

Starting October 3rd

Friday Fun Zone Grades 3-5

Looking for a place to hang Friday Nights? Come with your friends and check out the many activities offered!

Fridays

6:30-8:00pm

\$3.00

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Friday Fun Zone Pre-Registration

Parents of ALL participants MUST complete a registration form with contact information before attending. Please email office for a link to online registration.

Weekly pre registration is mandatory. Email rtcss@rtcss.ca for a registration link.



Details to be announced at a later time.

Adult Programs

Yoga

Hatha Style Yoga class using postures (asana) and stretches in combination with the breath to develop flexibility and encourage proper alignment of the body and bring balance, strength, and calmness. Hatha Yoga classes are based on the classic and ancient practices with attention to alignment and the deeper layers of yoga. Some flow of movement and core work may be included. Suitable for all levels Bring yoga mat & water!

Tuesdays 6:30-7:30pm Oct 7-Dec 16 \$120 Drop In \$15

Drop In Sports-\$3

Pickleball Tuesdays 6:00-8:00pm Badminton Thursdays 7:00-9:00pm Starts the week of September 8th



Register for programs by emailing rtcss@rtcss.ca