

August 2019

Dear Grade 8 Students,

Welcome to Moscrop Secondary School! I am happy that you are joining our school community and we look forward to working with you to help you achieve success.

As a student at Moscrop, you will be part of a culture where everyone does his/her best work. Our school depends on you to continue our tradition of respecting ourselves and others, respecting learning and respecting the environment. At Moscrop we model **ROAR** – Respect, Ownership, Attitude, Responsibility.

The information below is provided to help you get a good start to the school year.

Opening Day: Tuesday, September 3 rd , 2019
Time: 10:00a to 12:00p
Place: Multi-Purpose Room
Please bring: pen & notebook

- To find your homeroom, find your name on the homeroom lists posted on the windows of the school's main entrance and multipurpose room. These lists will be posted by 3:00p on Friday, August 30th.
- On **September 3rd**, please go to the multi-purpose room – look on the walls for the sign with your homeroom teacher's name and stand near this spot.
- There you will be greeted by your mentor and be introduced to your homeroom teacher, who will escort you to your classroom to receive your schedule of classes and other important information.
- You will be given an opportunity to tour the school.
- You will be assigned a locker to share with another student. The use of a combination lock (on your locker) is provided for you. *You will need an additional lock for the locker you will use during your PE class.* You can purchase a lock from the office for \$8. We encourage you to keep all electronic devices and other valuable items at home!
- Enclosed is a fee summary sheet. Student activity and yearbook fees will be collected on the morning of **Wednesday, September 4th** at the Office. After the first week, fees will be collected in the Office before and after school, and during breaks. To avoid waiting in long lines at the school, fees may be paid online. Please visit: <https://burnaby.schoolcasholine.com/>
- There will be a homeroom class on Wednesday, September 4th followed by Day 1 classes and on Thursday, September 5th followed by Day 2 classes. The regular bell schedule will start on Friday, September 6th.

Moscrop has its own App that allows parents and students easy access to the most current school information and procedures. Please see the enclosed sheet for more information.

If your plans have changed and you will not be attending Moscrop in September, please call the school office at 604-296-6895, press 3.

We look forward to meeting you at 10:00a on September 3rd!



P. Fester
Principal

Grade 8



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Grade 8 Mentorship 2019-2020

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Dear Parents of Grade 8 Students,

Welcome to Moscrop Secondary School / École Secondaire Moscrop! As part of Moscrop's dedication to fostering a strong sense of community, we offer a special program where Grade 10, 11, and 12 students are trained to mentor Grade 8 students. The Mentorship program makes the transition to high school easier through several events during the school year that will help your child develop relationships within their Grade 8 peer group, as well as with Grade 10-12 mentors and staff.

On the weekend prior to the first day of school, your child will receive a phone call from a trained mentor student (in grade 10, 11, or 12) to welcome them to the school, inform them of what will be happening on the first day, and try to ease any nervousness they may have. This mentor will meet your child at the school on the first morning, stay with them throughout the day, show them around, and help introduce them to other grade 8 students. *Please ensure the phone number the school has for you is accurate so that your child will be able to receive this call.*

Grade 8 Moscropians will also have an opportunity to attend the **Grade 8 Wellness Retreat** on **October 1st** at Willingdon Church. Mentors have planned an exciting and fun day that will focus on preparing your child for success in high school, as well continuing to foster connections with their peers. This retreat is highly valued for the strong sense of community and culture that it helps to develop within our students and school community. Many of our senior Moscrop students still remember their Grade 8 retreat with fondness! All Grade 8s will be attending this retreat and will be escorted to the Church (which is across the street from Moscrop) by their Period 1 teacher.

We know that your child's first term at Moscrop will be exciting. This retreat will help make their adjustment to high school happy and successful. We ask that you contact the school with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the above information.

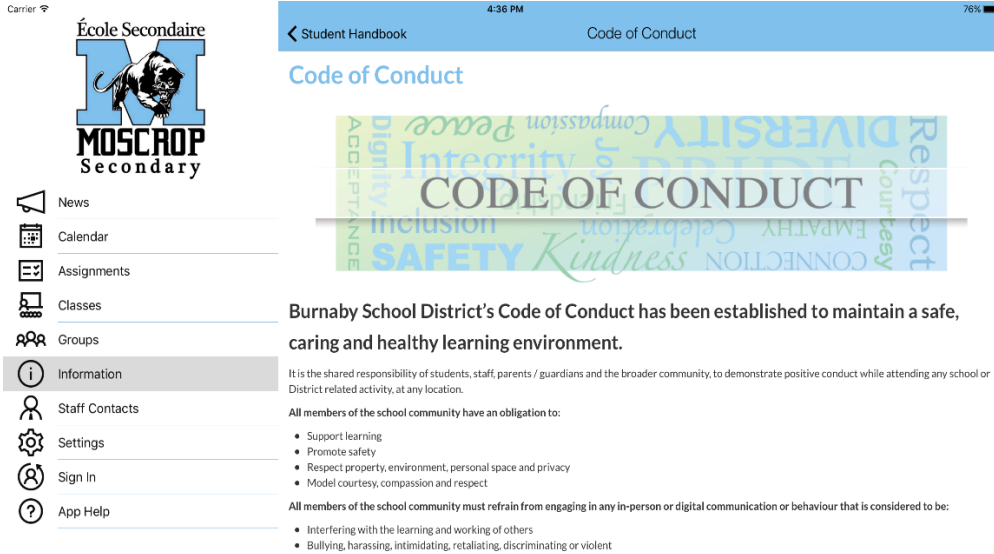
Sincerely,

Mr. Chris Gammie and Ms. Shannon Quelch
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My Moscrop App



The screenshot shows the app's main menu on the left with options: News, Calendar, Assignments, Classes, Groups, Information (selected), Staff Contacts, Settings, Sign In, and App Help. The main content area displays the 'Code of Conduct' page, which includes a header with the school logo, a title 'Code of Conduct', and a background image with the words 'CODE OF CONDUCT' and various values like 'Respect', 'Integrity', and 'Kindness'. The text on the page states: 'Burnaby School District's Code of Conduct has been established to maintain a safe, caring and healthy learning environment. It is the shared responsibility of students, staff, parents / guardians and the broader community, to demonstrate positive conduct while attending any school or District related activity, at any location. All members of the school community have an obligation to: Support learning, Promote safety, Respect property, environment, personal space and privacy, Model courtesy, compassion and respect. All members of the school community must refrain from engaging in any in-person or digital communication or behaviour that is considered to be: Interfering with the learning and working of others, Bullying, harassing, intimidating, retaliating, discriminating or violent.'

APP INFO

Moscrop has its own App to replace the Agenda Planner. Students and parents can get the App by doing the following:

1. For iPhone / iPad / iPod Touch / Android:
 Open your web browser, type "moscrop.appazur.com"
 Tap the "App Store" / "Google Play" button
2. Open the "App Store" / "Google Play" app. Search for "My Moscrop". Tap Install (Android) / Get (iPhone / iPad) - it's free!

Windows/Mac:

Type "moscrop.appazur.com" into your Chrome/Firefox/Safari/Edge browser.

Everyone is encouraged to download and use the App. It has the most current information about school events and procedures.

GET STARTED!!

- Install the app.
- In the menu, tap "Sign In". Here, you can "Sign Up" for a personal account, or "Sign In" using your school account if applicable.
- Tap "Classes" in the menu, then tap the gear to select your classes.
- Tap "Groups" in the menu, then tap the gear to select your clubs, teams, and other groups that you belong to.
- In the menu, tap the gear with your name next to it, and pick how you want your notifications.

STUDENT FEES 2019-2020

Activity Fee (includes Moscrop App, athletics, intramurals, locker w/lock, mentorship, school-wide events, ie: cornfest, and students' council activity fee)	\$30.00
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OPTIONAL FEES:

Locks (for PE use only)	\$8.00
Optional Project Costs	as specified by teacher
Team Athletics	\$25 - \$55 each season
Yearbook	\$60.00
Donate to PAC	\$5.00 x ____ (quantity you wish)
<u>Grade 12 only:</u> Dinner/Dance	\$120.00
Dry Grad	\$ 50.00
School Leaving Ceremony	\$ 80.00

Fees may be paid ONLINE at burnaby.schoolcashonline.com; it's available 24/7, quick and easy to use! For online use only, you have the option of paying fees by Visa or Mastercard.

OR

Pay by CASH or CHEQUE at the school office, starting September 4, according to the grade schedule on the following page. Cheques should be made payable to *Moscrop Secondary School*.

(One cheque may be written to pay for all fees). NO POST DATED CHEQUES.

To avoid long wait times at the office, please pay fees online.

To receive an advance copy of the Yearbook in June, please ensure your Activity Fee is paid.

Thank you!

SCHOOL FEES FOR SEPTEMBER 2019

We encourage everyone to pay their school fees online at
burnaby.schoolcashonline.com

In September 2019 the office staff will collect school fees for those who prefer to pay directly to the school. During the morning of the opening week students will be called to the office by grade as follows:

Grade 8	September 4
Grade 9	September 5
Grade 10	September 6
Grade 11	September 9
Grade 12	September 10

One cheque may be written to cover all fees – NO post-dated cheques please.

September 11 fees will be collected at the office before school, during the morning & lunch breaks, after school, and always online.

FACT SHEET – SCHOOL FEES

The changes introduced through the Ministerial Order and Regulation state that a school board may charge fees to students for:

- materials used in goods that are intended for the student to take home for personal use or as a gift
- purchase of paper, writing tools, calculators, student planners, exercise books, & other supplies & equipment for a student's personal use
- rental of musical equipment for a student's personal use; students may use their own instrument instead of renting.

The Amendments State that in order to charge fees for goods and services, the school board must have policy and procedures to facilitate the participation of students who might otherwise not be able to participate because of financial hardship.

Under the new Regulation, school boards may also charge fees for expenses associated with field trips or special events, such as transportation, accommodations, meals, entrance fees and equipment rentals. School Boards are permitted to require students to provide appropriate personal clothing for school activities, such as gym strip, footwear, and outerwear, and personal safety equipment.