

Clarence Fulton Secondary<<>>Things to do Before Graduation

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September

- Most applications are OPENING SOON...check EducationPlannerBC
- [Visit EducationPlannerBC to create a STUDENT ACCOUNT](#)
- Start early and take your time
- Follow the Fulton School Counselling Department website for important updates.
- Find and record, in an accessible place your Ministry of Education PEN (Personal Education Number- 9 digits) found on your report card or transcript.
- Ensure you have a Social Insurance Number: www.servicecanada.gc.ca
- Set up an email account with a professional email address for post-secondary/scholarship correspondence.
 - **DO NOT use "Hotmail" email accounts as they are known to redirect email from post-secondary institutions to "junk mail".**
- Look over the [B.C. Graduation Requirements](#) and make sure you are on track to graduate.
- Ensure you will have **80 credits** (Grade 10, 11, 12) to meet [BC graduation requirements](#), including Language Arts 12 (e.g. English Studies or English First Peoples) and 3 grade 12 courses
- Check to make sure you are taking the correct courses to accomplish your goals. See your school counsellor if you have questions. (great search tool: <https://www.educationplannerbc.ca/>)
- Explore options for after high-school, e.g. work, travel, university, tech school, apprenticeship...
- Check post-secondary application deadlines and entrance requirements. Online application for many post-secondary schools opens in September.
(BC application hub: <https://apply.educationplannerbc.ca/>)
- If you plan to attend post-secondary in the U.S.A. you *may* need to write the [SAT](#) or [ACT](#).
- If English is not your first language. To apply for post-secondary, you *may* need to write one of the following English assessments ([IELTS](#), [TOEFL](#))
- If you are a top academic student, see your school counsellor regarding some large scholarships that have deadlines in the Fall. ([see scholarship page](#))

October

- Last Grad Hoodie order is due WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2022 See Mrs. Harrison
- Compile a list of volunteer activities and community involvement for scholarships and employment applications and update your resume or use the [Reference Letter Planner](#)
- Start researching [scholarships, bursaries and student loans](#).
- Apply for post-secondary if would like to attend your post-secondary studies next year. Students can apply to B.C. colleges and universities on [various online application platforms](#).

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- Okanagan College Application OPENS...Apply EARLY for limited enrollment programs (e.g. technology, nursing, etc)
- Log on to the [Student Transcript Service](#) account and give consent for the Ministry of Education to send your grades to B.C. universities and the final transcripts (July) to any post-secondary institution you choose on the form. On this form put a check in the box for all B.C. institutions. If you have applied to an institution in another province or country, you can designate this too.
- When you are completing the [online Student Transcript Services \(STS\)](#), you ARE NOT applying to post-secondary institutes nor is it self-reporting! You are simply giving the Ministry of Education your permission to send your interim and final grades to the post-secondary institutes of your choice when the time comes!
- **PLEASE select all BC institutions**, this will simplify your life if you were to make changes and apply to another institution
- If you have applied to an institution in another province or country, you can designate this too.
- If you want to be considered for the Major Entrance Scholarship at U.B.C. you will need to apply by December 1.
- Do a weekly check of your EMAIL and STUDENT ACCOUNT provided by the college/university that you have applied to...checking for admission updates, scholarship dates, offers of admissions...SOME of this information has deadlines to respond...**DON'T MISS a deadline—CHECK your college/university student account!**

December

- All applications to universities and colleges in Canada are now available. Applications to all post-secondary institutes are on the internet now so check their websites. In B.C. it is www.educationplannerbc.ca/
- Do a **weekly check** of your EMAIL and **STUDENT ACCOUNT provided by the college/university** that you have applied to...checking for admission updates, scholarship dates, offers of admissions...SOME of this information has deadlines to respond...**DON'T MISS a deadline—CHECK your account!**

January

- Graduation Photo SIGN UP Starts Mon. Jan. 9th
 - See Mrs. Harrison at break time to sign up
 - Photos take place Tuesday, Jan. 31 to February 2nd
- If you failed a semester 1 course, this may impact your ability to graduate and/or be admitted to post-secondary programs. See your school counsellor if you have any questions.
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Admission Deadlines

The admission deadline to most Canadian universities is February 28. U.B.C. has a deadline of January 15. Deadlines vary per institute. Students will start receiving emails and letters from universities outside B.C. asking for up-to-date transcripts. These outside institutes want your latest available Grade 11 and Grade 12 marks sent to them before their stated deadlines. For a lot of students, this means sending in your first interim grades. If you require an official transcript see the front office.

Awards and Scholarships

Many award applications are now being advertised. Most major Canadian university entrance awards have a February deadline.

February

- Graduation Photo *Tuesday, Jan. 31st – Thursday Feb. 2nd*
- Sign up started (*Date: Mon. Jan. 9th*)
- See Mrs. Harrison at break times to sign up
- If you are planning to apply for student housing, applications usually start now. Check post-secondary websites for information.
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March

- [Local SD#22 scholarship/bursary forms](#) are available on the Fulton and SD#22 websites.
- Self-report your Semester 1 marks to the post-secondary institutions that have this service. Your Semester 2 will be available mid-May. Use your personal site (Login) on the institution's website to self-report.
- A list of the Community Awards, applications and the District Award application is available before Spring Break. Students MUST complete the online application form to be considered for ANY of the scholarships listed in the scholarship booklet. The link to ALL this information and the local scholarship application will be activated in March.
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April

- Be sure you are passing all your courses in order to graduate.
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May

- Make sure the LPI, IELTS or TOEFL tests are done if you need to do them. Most universities want IELTS/TOEFL results by springtime and LPI by mid-July.

Conditional Acceptance

B.C. universities offer “conditional acceptance” and a registration date based on your second interim grades (these grades reflect September to February school work) that are received from the Ministry of Education on an ongoing basis. Remember acceptance is conditional (upon graduating in July and maintaining good grades) until confirmed. Once you believe you have confirmed your offer, check your university account to ensure your deposit and scholarships you may have been offered are shown in your account.

TIPS: Print and save the registration number given to you when you apply through Education Planner and put it in a safe place. Also, save your university log in account – you will need them!

June

- Post-secondary course registration: register on the date and time given by the institution. Classes fill quickly and there may not be alternative sections of the course you want or need.
- Spend time studying to do well on any final exams.
- June 22nd 9AM – 11AM **Grad Rehearsal**
- June Saturday June 24th @ 3PM **Grad Ceremony -Grads to arrive at 2PM**
- Thank your teachers and parents for supporting you.

July/August

- Official transcripts available online in late July
- Confirmation of acceptance to Post-Secondary pending
- Scholarship funds can be accessed

ASK QUESTIONS! RECORD THE ANSWERS!

FOLLOW THROUGH WITH YOUR GOALS!