



June 6, 2014

Abbotsford Traditional Secondary School

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Vice-Principal: Mr. Michael Hendricks

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SCHOOL:

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LAST NAME:

Student's Last Name

PASSWORD:

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Office Staff:

Mrs. Hartley local: 1002

Counselor:

Mr. Colin Abernethy local: 1107

One-to-One program:

Andrew Macphail local: 1120

All teacher e-mail addresses can be found on our website www.atss.ca

Principal's Message

I would like to thank the many people who were responsible for making this past weekend's grad activities possible. Our Convocation held on Fri. May 30 and the following Dry Grad celebration was very well executed and this only comes with the help of many key people. In the possibility of always missing some, I would like to especially thank our teachers, Mrs. Toews, Mrs. Silzer, who were responsible for organizing the Convocation ceremony, then many others who participated both in setting up and running our convocations service. Thank-you to our Acting Vice-Principal, Bruce Cuthbertson, for emceeding the event and to ATMS Acting Principal, Michael Hendricks, for assisting in many ways. I would also to thank our parents, Mrs. Lori Toews, for organizing the decorating and other responsibilities for our Convocation ceremony and so many others who helped her with this preparation. Thank-you to Mrs. Bonnie Hughes and a host of other parents who organized fantastic Dry Grad festivities for our grads after the Convocation. Also, a special thank-you to all our parents and guests for their patience and support during our convocation ceremony. And not to forget our grads, who behaved very properly during the entire event. It was well done and I heard many positive compliments from our parents and guests.

As we near the end of the school year I encourage all our students to keep their focus as final exams are coming up. Attendance is both expected for all courses and is critical at this time of the year. For many this will be the make or break it time. I encourage all of our students to put their energies into finishing well.

We will be having our final Year End Student Recognition Ceremony on Mon. June 16, 7 pm. at the Eben-E-Zer church just down the road from us. We will make an effort to contact all of our major award winners ahead of time so that their parents can be sure to attend this very special awards time.

As I look back, it is hard to believe that we are approaching the end already. Well done to many parents, students and staff for their work in the successful achievement of our students. I will attempt to keep you up to date on any changes which may occur during this challenging time of strike action.

Sincerely,

Glen Hildebrand, Principal, ATSS



Faculty:

Dept Heads:	Local
Colin Abernethy	1107
Ken Laity	5107
Andrew Macphail	1120
Rebecca Toews	3134
Tracy Wedel	3140
Pam VanKleeck	3237

Teaching Staff

Don Barden ringer :2244	1103
Elizabeth Cousar	3141
Brock Currie	3252
Bruce Cuthbertson	3236
Jim Domke	5164/5107
Shawn Fedyna	3251
Grant Gasser	1114/1116
Carlton Haak	3250
James Hill/Valerie Neufeldt	3137
Kim Hunt	5107
Steve Kauffman	3238
Sharon Kehoe	5171
Sandy Lane	3248
Frank Muermann	3138
Michelle Myers	3235
Prem Narang	
Tamara O'Brien	5173
Sarah Peters	3136
Olga Ulyasheva	3240
Janet Wade	1121

Learning Assistance

Phyllis Collins	3135
Heidi Ens	3135
Karen Hiebert	3135
Denise Silzer	3135

Library

Laurie Salter	3152
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Cafeteria

Bonnie Hughes	5169
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International Rep

Christine	1110
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Youth Worker

Darlene Rayburn	3255
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Community Support

Jeven Randhawa	1110
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Emails can be sent to all staff under:

first_last@sd34.bc.ca

(Simply use that teacher's name)

Remember: We are on the web!

Follow us on Twitter [@abbytians](https://twitter.com/abbytians)

Check out our website: <http://www.atss.ca>



ATSS Calendar

- June 13 Term 4 Ends/Collaboration Day #16
- June 16 Awards Ceremony 7:00 pm
- June 18-24 In-School/Provincial Exams
- June 27 Report Cards Issued
Year-End Closing (non-instructional)





Awards Ceremony
June 16
7:00 pm



Community Events and Information

Please check the district website at
<http://www.sd34.bc.ca/>



For further information please visit the following
websites:

Please check Abbyconnect page for New
Information:
(Flyers in Abbyconnect in "For Families" folder)



Angelina Massoia [Become a fan](#)

Student, Wesleyan University

The Positives of Uniformity: One Student's Opinion On School Dress Codes

Posted: 05/05/2014 2:52 pm EDT Updated: 05/05/2014 2:59 pm EDT

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Warning: *this article may cause students everywhere to groan in despair and loathe this writer.*

When I mention that I survived nine years of school uniforms and four more years of dress code to my peers, I'm frequently met with expressions of pity. These looks are usually followed by ones of astonishment when I then say that I actually benefitted from and enjoyed this. I proudly support that some public schools are now choosing to move to dress codes or, better (yes I said *better*), uniforms.

I will not attempt to argue uniforms/dress codes promote higher achievement levels for students. In fact, the studies for this, conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics, are wildly inconclusive.

However, acknowledging that education exists not only as an academic, but also as a social and socializing experience for children, I will argue that a uniform or dress code remains exponentially beneficial.

To put on a uniform is to make a visible, conscious choice to learn and to submit the rules and culture of school. In my own experience, the generally perceived compliance with the mission of learning provided for more focused and friendly learning environments. With American crime rates remaining steady, one can also hope that the increased compliance with rules may continue into adulthood.

Uniforms and dress codes also prepare students for the real world and the job market. When children go home they can wear whatever they please, but students learn to respect school as a different environment with different expectations, just like they would treat a job.

I do not believe that the primary purpose of dress code should be to prevent young adults from being sexually distracted or for limiting sexual attention. As a student in this system, I can safely assure you that those things either occur or not occur regardless of what students are wearing. Those matters stem from a problematic combination of emerging hormones and diminishing respect for others, which I will not even attempt to address in this piece.

There are those who say that defining how one dresses infringes on his or her individuality and personal style. While I acknowledge this as a valid argument, I also once again draw on my own experience to say that kids will *always* find a way to express their individuality. Hairstyles, backpacks, school supplies, as well as behavior, all provide opportunities for personal expression that kids will not neglect.

In fact, many children who struggle socially may find the reduced opportunity for potential bullying less stressful. Even I, who did not suffer first hand from bullying, can remember being comforted by the fact that all of my peers would be wearing the same thing, regardless of how popular, fashionable, beautiful, or wealthy they may be.

Speaking of money, there are some who argue that the expense of a uniform delivers unnecessary burden on a family's financial situation. However, to buy a uniform in general reduces the amount of money that many parents spend on "back to school" shopping for multiple new outfits. Dress code clothes can frequently be found for about the same price as these outfits as well.

Personally, I believe the uniforms and dress codes of my past allowed me to develop an appreciation for education and structure that I still carry today. In no way do I feel that these policies damaged my creative expression. In fact, I value my personal expression (and shopping trips) more now because of it.

Follow Angelina Massoia on Twitter: www.twitter.com/AMassoia



All Call For Secondary School Apprentices

Grade 10, 11, 12 students: Are you currently working in a trade?

For example, are you working at a restaurant, on a construction site, in an automotive shop, on a dairy farm, or in a hair salon?



If so, you may be eligible to enroll in a **Secondary School Apprenticeship** and **earn a \$1,000.00 scholarship.**

If you are a high school student working part-time in a trade, you are probably a **"hidden apprentice."** By registering as a Secondary School Apprentice, you will be able to earn course credits for the work you're already doing, become eligible for a **\$1,000 scholarship**, and get a head start on earning your trade certification. Talk to your school's career facilitator about the kind of work that qualifies, and about registering as a Secondary School Apprentice or call the District Career Programs Office at (604) 504-4618, local 1802.

For a complete list of eligible trades in the province of B.C. and to find out more information regarding the SSA Program, visit the Industry Training Authority's website at: <http://www.itabc.ca>



For more information, visit www.abbotsfordcareerprograms.com



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"It's been an incredible week full of amazing lessons and friendships that I'm absolutely sure I'll remember for a long time coming." Savannah MacDonald, Nova Scotia



"This program has really changed the way I look at my country. It's made me proud to be a part of such a great nation." Justin Carter, Alberta

[Read more testimonials.](#)



EWC by the numbers

- 12 exciting themes to explore potential career paths.
- 150+ professional educators recruit teen participants in schools across Canada.
- 170+ volunteer educators from across the country come to Ottawa to supervise and share the experience with the participants.
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ARTS & CULTURE

2014 September 7 - 13 October 26 - November 1	2015 February 1 - 7 March 8 - 14 March 29 - April 4
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CANADA REMEMBERS

2014
November 9 - 15



ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

2014 September 21 - 27	2015 April 25 - May 2
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EXPERIENCE CANADA

2015
June 26 - July 4



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

2014 October 5 - 11	2015 March 22 - 28
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JOURNALISM & COMMUNICATIONS

2014 November 2 - 8	2015 March 1 - 7
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LAW

2014
November 23 - 29



MEDICINE & HEALTH

2014 October 19 - 25	2015 February 8 - 14 March 15 - 21
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MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

2014
November 16 - 22



POLITICS IN CANADA

2015
April 19 - 25



RCMP

2015
February 15 - 21



SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

2014 September 26 - Oct. 4	2015 February 22 - 28
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SPORTS & FITNESS

2014 September 14 - 20 October 12 - 18	2015 January 25 - 31 April 12 - 18
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VIMY: CANADA'S COMING OF AGE

2015
April 5 - 11



UFV Parent Orientation

Share the journey

As a parent, guardian, or family member, you are a valuable partner in your student's academic journey. That's why we would love to have you join us for one of UFV 2014 Parent Orientation events in Abbotsford or Chilliwack.

Parent Orientation is your opportunity to learn more about UFV, get answers to any question you may have, and find out how best to guide and encourage your student.

Event details

Parent Orientation is held in June on both the Canada Education Park (CEP) and Abbotsford campuses.

Registration is required. **Please RSVP now.**

Chilliwack Parent Orientation

Tuesday June 17

5:30-8pm

Canada Education Park

Chilliwack, BC Canada

V2R 0N3

Room: Aboriginal Gathering Space

Chilliwack Campus Map

Abbotsford Parent Orientation

Thursday June 19

5:30-8pm

UFV Abbotsford Campus

33844 King Road

V2S 7M8

Room: South Gym, Envision Athletic Centre (Building E)

Abbotsford Campus Map

For driving directions please visit ufv.ca/contact_us. Please note that pay parking is in effect unless you display your **postcard invite** on your dashboard.

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We will be providing 8 parent educating sessions on drug prevention for parents with teens ages 12 to 18
 These sessions will be in Punjabi and English
 Start Date: June 3rd, 2014
 Every Tuesday and Thursday from 12:30pm to 2:00pm
 Location: 5-32700 George Ferguson Way, Abbotsford, B.C, V2T 4V6

Contact: Manpreet Badwal
 Family Educator – In It Together
 SACRO – Abbotsford Community Services
 604-866-1559

Contact: Manjot Luthra
 Family & Seniors Case Worker
 MAP – Abbotsford Community Services
 604-308-1857

Light snacks provided



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Enhanced service supports
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The In It Together Program is one of 60 services offered at Abbotsford Community Services.



ATHLETES IN ACTION

Early Bird Registration for FRIDAY NITE BASKETBALL

October 3, 2014 – March 13, 2015 (Friday nights)

(15 weeks... GREAT VALUE!)

Age 4 to Grade 12 Boys & Girls

\$130

Register from 10 am – 4 pm

June 21 @ Abby Christian Elem (3939 Old Clayburn Rd)

(NOTE: June 21 location different from what's printed in brochure)

June 28 @ Colleen & Gordie Howe Middle (3174 Clearbrook Rd)

For more information call Frank @ 604-897-1987 or send an e-mail to frankt@athletesinaction.com.