



May 16, 2014

Abbotsford Traditional Secondary School

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Principal: Mr. Glen Hildebrand *Vice-Principal: Mr. Michael Hendricks*

OnlineMarks
Checkmymark.com

Student marks are available online at www.checkmymark.com. In order to access your child's marks, you will need to login with a

USER TYPE:

Select "Student/Parent"

SCHOOL:

"Abbotsford Traditional Secondary"

LAST NAME:

Student's Last Name

PASSWORD:

The Password is randomly generated and teachers will provide each student with their unique password. For Login help or password resets, please contact Mr. Macphail Andrew_macphail@sd.34.bc.ca or the classroom teacher

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

We are now looking at the last stretch to the end of the year. This time is busy and goes incredibly fast. I would like to thank the teachers and the parents who came out to our parent/teacher interviews. Hopefully you were able to make some significant connections with your son or daughter's teachers. If you would still like to make contact with them please refer to our website, atss.ca to acquire the e-mail addresses of our teachers.

I would like to thank Mrs. O'Brien for organizing our Socials Fair this week. It was great to see our students who have put together some fantastic projects on their study in Social Studies. Also I would like to thank both the teachers who came out to assist, Mrs. Cousar, Mrs. Toews, Mrs. Wedel and Mr. Muermann, Mr. Cuthbertson our Vice Principal and a number of our Gr. 11 and 12 students who also volunteered to help with the judging of the projects.

We are looking forward to our Grad Grand March and Prom dinner and dance coming up this Friday. It will be a fun opportunity to see our grads in all their finery as they dress up for this important event. This will be followed by our Convocation ceremony 7 pm on Fri. May 30 at Northview Community Church. This will be an important time of celebration.

I would like to remind all of you that attendance for all classes is important for these last few weeks. As the weather improves some of our students find it difficult to keep up their regular attendance. It is crucial that they do. Teachers are covering important information as they look to complete the year. Full attendance is expected of all students to be here for the remaining days of the year.

I would like to commend our Grade 12 grads for their considerate action this week as several of them went over to Abby Sr. Secondary to serve coffee and donuts to the staff there. They wanted to contribute to leaving a positive legacy for this year's grad class. They have helped bring positive recognition to our grad class and to our school. Well done grads.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please contact me at 604-850-7029.

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

May 16	Collaboration Day #14
	Prom/Grand March
May 19	Victoria Day
May 30	Collaboration Day #15
	Convocation
June 2	Non-Instructional Day #6
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)





Grads - you are almost done!

Students can pick up prom tickets from C135 at lunch on May 6. After that, they can pick them up from me the week of prom before school or at lunch only.

However, you must have completed all of the following items BEFORE I can give you the tickets:

- 5 photos for convocation. These should show a range of ages from baby to present
- Convocation write up. This is what is read out as you cross the stage.
- grad transitions plan - completed and handed in
- grad fees and school fees are fully paid
- overdue library books returned

Please ensure these are all taken care of before asking for your prom ticket!
Thank you!

Mrs. Silzer
ATSS
Learning Assistance Teacher



ATSS PAC NEWS: There are upcoming needs that parents have been requested to help with:

1) Gr. 9-11 parents are NEEDED for decorating and traffic control help for our Grand March on Friday, May 16. This is an event that the Grad Class and parents have helped with for several years, and one in which they rely on the "undergrad parents and students" to step forward and help make this day a success. We expect crowds of 400-500 people! We need:

* 8-10 men/boys willing to direct car traffic, parking issues and "man" entrances and parking lots from approx. 3:30 to 5:00. IT WOULD BE FANTASTIC TO HAVE SOMEONE VOLUNTEER TO BE "IN CHARGE" and the "Go to" person for this! A binder of what has been done in the past, and what should be done, and where to find supplies, will all be given to you!

* 8-10 students/moms/dads to direct traffic and "man" entrances INSIDE the school ... for security and to direct people where to go. IT WOULD BE FANTASTIC TO HAVE SOMEONE VOLUNTEER TO BE "IN CHARGE" and the "Go to" person for this

as well! Time requirement: approx. 3:30-5:00. Again, exact times TBA soon. Again... there are clear directions as to what has been done in the past.

* 8-10 parents to help with decorating the courtyard and the gymnasium. We have someone with experience to help direct and supply the majority of the decorations ... we just need hands, and people committed to being there to make sure it gets done and cleaned up on Friday, May 16, from approx. 2:00 until 4:30, and then help clean up afterwards.

PLEASE email: toews.team@gmail.com or atsspac@gmail.com. (Asking friends to do this with you is a great way to spend time with them and help us all out! :))

2) Gr. 9-11 PARENTS are also needed on Friday, May 30th, to help with the decorating of our Dry Grad event while Grad Parents and students are at convocation. The grad class and organizing parents really rely on the "undergrad" parents to help out with this, and we are really dependent on their help, as almost 100% of the decorating cannot be done early, and needs to be done quickly and well. All supplies and decorations will be supplied, and we will have a meeting with "key decorators" a few days beforehand, at the location, to explain exactly what needs to be done where ... it would just be GREAT to know we have some parents we can rely on. Expect another email about this soon from Mrs. Bonnie Hughes.

Questions and people interested in helping with this can contact parent, Mrs. Bonnie Hughes at: bonbonhugs@gmail.com

THANK YOU, PARENTS!!!!

HOPEFULLY YOU REALIZE WE REALLY NEED YOU (BECAUSE WE DO!!!) IT IS ALL PART OF OUR 'TRADITIONAL' TRADEMARK!!!

Please support Everbloom Nurseries!

Hello ATSS parents & staff –

We have received a wonderful donation for our Grand March from Evergreen Nurseries, at 2565 Mt. Lehman Road in Abbotsford ... of some cedar trees for our use for the day.

They are also offering their remaining hanging baskets for \$11.99! So ... if you didn't get what you wanted for Mother's Day (:) .. or want more ... or wish to support them through purchase of hanging baskets, other annuals, perennials or shrubs or produce ... please visit them.

(Offer was through Bill Mackenzie)

Note: We will try to send a list of our generous donators of items for our Dry Grad as well... in the coming weeks!

Thank you for your support!

Lori



ANNOUNCEMENT FOR GRADS:

PLEASE NOTE: Student Convocation Rehearsal will be from 3:30-5:00 at Northview on Wednesday, May 28 - not Tuesday, May 27 as on the magnet. This rehearsal is for student attendance only (not parents). Attendance is very important. Please make sure work schedules and commitments that may interfere are adjusted to allow for attendance at this event.

Thank you!

PROM/GRAND MARCH
Friday, May 16
CONVOCATION Friday, May 30



CONGRATULATIONS!

Sam Cumyn and Arjun Gill won the Canadian Community College Award for Immigration & Multicultural for the Heritage Fair at Fraser Valley Regional Fair. Out of 150 projects presented only 25 received special recognitions and awards.

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)**

1) Emergency Preparedness Week May 5 - 9 – Are You Ready?
(See flyer in Abbyconnect)

From City of Abbotsford: In an emergency situation, having a plan may help reduce the impact on an entire family. Being prepared can benefit everyone in the household. Members of the Abbotsford Emergency Program, Natural Resources Canada and Insurance Bureau of Canada will be hosting information sessions during Emergency Preparedness Week from May 5 to May 9. Emergency Preparedness Week is a national event that reminds Canadians to acknowledge and learn about the hazards unique to their home, work/ school location, and then to Make a Family Emergency Plan.



2) Autism in Canada - National Needs Assessment Survey For Families, Adults with ASD and Professionals

Autism Canada and autism organizations across Canada have joined forces through CASDA and partnered with CIHR Autism Research Chair, Jonathan Weiss, Ph.D., to create a National Needs Assessment Survey. The information gathered from this online survey, available in both English and French, will form the basis of a National Autism Strategy for Canada. We need your help to reach our goal of 5,000 completed surveys between now and June 30, 2014. The survey is designed for three groups of people: Parents, Adults with ASD and Professionals working with ASD clients. The survey only takes 15 minutes to complete and is available at www.ASDalliance.org. Please complete the survey yourself if you qualify, and help us to spread the word by forwarding this email to anyone and everyone who qualifies. For more information on how you can help spread the word visit this webpage <http://www.asdalliance.org/English/help.html>.

For specific questions on the Autism in Canada - National Needs Assessment Survey for Families, Adults with ASD and Professionals, please contact Margaret Whelan, CASDA Project Manager at 416-522-9180 or at info@asdalliance.org. Thank you from all of us at Autism Canada. Together we can move mountains.

3) Abbotsford Whalers Water Polo for boys & girls (See flyer on Abbyconnect)

4) Calling all BC families and youth to enter the 5th Annual Hands-on Cook-off Contest Cook, Film & Win! (See flyer in Abbyconnect)
The Hands-on Cook-off Contest returns this year now through May 15

5) EVENT: Abbotsford Sumas Rotary Club 16th Annual Fundraiser (See poster on Abbyconnect)

Annual Strawberries Sale. Rotary sells buckets of fresh, clean, cut strawberries in both an 11 lbs bucket or a 30lbs bucket. Two set pickup dates and times at 4 different pickups in the Fraser Valley.

6) EVENT: Heritage Christian Online School with Lighthouse Theatre Present...Annie Jr. (See flyer in Abbyconnect)

7) EVENT: Sweeney Neighbourhood Centre -- Kick Off to Summer events

** Monday, June 2 (during the non-instructional day)

SNC Kick Off to Summer, 10 am - 2 pm

The SNC Kick off - is Spring into Summer with an open house at the SNC, there will be games, bouncy castles, crafts, popcorn, snow cones for the families to enjoy, as well as an open building to come see what the Sweeney Centre is and who is in it!

** Family Fun Nights - Every 3rd Thursday in July and August, 5:45 pm - 7:45 pm.

The Family Fun Nights are a partnership between CACS & Parks & Rec - the bouncy castle will be set up, as well as the youth centre will be open as a family centre.

8) Ledgeview Junior Golf Program (See letter on Abbyconnect)
Highlights 4 new initiatives that students age 12-18 in Abbotsford can take advantage of:

-- Lower Annual Fees for Juniors

-- Development of a program of instruction, rules, and etiquette for all Juniors

-- Ledgeview Junior Golf team to represent the club in Zone Tournaments

-- Development of the Ledgeview Junior Tee Program

9) Skip With The Stars skipping camp May 19

Learn to skip with the top skippers in Canada. As a concluding event to the National Rope Skipping Championships, the Rope Skipping Canada Athlete Committee is hosting a camp to share their skills with members of the community. Campers will participate in a variety of rope skipping activities. No experience is necessary. Campers will be divided by age and ability. Please bring a water bottle and a snack and wear comfortable, athletic clothing and shoes. At Abbotsford Centre.

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/skip-with-the-stars-tickets-6895022197?ref=ebtn>

10) Mission Soapbox Derby Gears Up Again! June 14 (See flyer in Abbyconnect)

The 16th Annual Mission Soapbox Derby is gearing up! This exciting downhill race, open to kids 8-14, will take to Stave Lake Street on Saturday June 14, 2014. This fun, family oriented event might be of interest to some of your students. To that end, we have attached a poster with all the pre-race and race day information kids will need to take part.

11) Chess Club (See poster on Abbyconnect)

"We are running a chess club in Abbotsford for children 2 years to 17 years. We have children coming from different schools for past couple of years now. Our meetings are every Sunday 3 to 5 at Abbotsford Community Library. This is a parent initiative and run by the parents as well.

--Monica Grover"

monicajay@gmail.com





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.itahc.ca>



For more information, visit www.abbotsfordcareerprograms.com



It is time to give back



PLEDGE

Micro-volunteering

Want to help your community but don't think you have the time? Micro-volunteering is the quick and easy way to contribute without the long term commitment of regular volunteering.

Your ideas and comments can help change the world!

CALL TO HELP

Give back to a community, cause or organization you are passionate about any time or anywhere you have online access.



Micro-volunteer here:

- koodonation.com
- skillsforchange.com
- helpfromhome.org

What you will do to help

CONVENIENT



Got 10 minutes?
Try microvolunteering!
Psst....pass it on

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CANADA'S LARGEST YOUTH FORUM • LE PLUS GRAND FORUM JEUNESSE AU CANADA

ONE WEEK IN OTTAWA
ONE REWARDING
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À OTTAWA, DES
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Please see Mr. Abernethy.



CANADA'S LARGEST YOUTH FORUM - SNAPSHOT



Encounters with Canada (EWC) is an exceptional opportunity for young people from across the land to take part in a incredible, bilingual experience in the nation's capital. Every week, up to 148 participants (14-17 years old) create a mini-Canada forum of Canadian youth. They take part in exciting adventures, explore future career options, learn more about their country, share their hopes and dreams— all through exclusive hands-on workshops, presentations and excursions. See an insider's view of the unique and compelling adventure that embodies the Encounters' experience on the Encounters' website—[Promo section](#).



Testimonials

"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.
- 130+ 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.
- 200+ distinguished guests, experts and industry leaders share their knowledge and expertise yearly with participants.
- 5,000 participants from every province and territory take part yearly in the EWC program.
- 94,000+ alumni have lived the EWC experience, to date.

The only youth program in Canada with its own residential complex

The Terry Fox Canadian Youth Centre, where the program takes place, is only minutes away from historic downtown Ottawa. The Centre has been designed especially with youth in mind, including dormitories, a cafeteria, an Internet Cafe, a games room, a resource centre, meeting rooms and so much more. Visit our [facilities](#) on our website.

encounters-enccontres.ca 800-361-0419
1805 Gaspé Ave., Ottawa, ON K1K 0A4



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ARTS & CULTURE

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



CANADA REMEMBERS

2014
November 9 - 16



ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

2014	2015
September 21 - 27	April 26 - May 2



EXPERIENCE CANADA

2015
June 28 - July 4



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

2014	2015
October 5 - 11	March 22 - 28



JOURNALISM & COMMUNICATIONS

2014	2015
November 2 - 8	March 1 - 7



LAW

2014
November 23 - 29



MEDICINE & HEALTH

2014	2015
October 19 - 25	February 9 - 14
	March 15 - 21



MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

2014
November 16 - 22



POLITICS IN CANADA

2015
April 19 - 25



RCMP

2015
February 15 - 21



SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

2014	2015
September 28 - Oct. 4	February 22 - 28



SPORTS & FITNESS

2014	2015
September 14 - 20	January 25 - 31
October 12 - 18	April 12 - 18



VIMY: CANADA'S COMING OF AGE

2015
April 5 - 11



Coping with Cutting

Helping Parents Improve Engagement with their Teen

This group's focus will be to help parents learn specific skills to work with their teen who is self harming and will consist of 1 intensive session. It will consist of short presentations and hands on practice sections. The session will address the following common parent concerns:

- " I am MAD/SAD/CONFUSED that my child is hurting herself"
- " I CAN'T understand why my child is hurting herself"
- " HOW can I express to my child how much I care?"
- " I WANT to talk to my child, but he/she refuses"

Please contact Lavender Counselling to find out more information.

Date & Time: June 1st 12:30-4:30pm

Cost: \$300 per couple (this may be covered by your extended health)
Early Bird Rate: \$250 per couple if paid by May 16th, 2014

Contact: 604-546-7544 or reception@lavendercounselling.com



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.

*In the event of severe weather conditions please check the **UFV website** to confirm that our Abbotsford and CEP campuses are open.*