



MERRITT SECONDARY SCHOOL

April 2025 Newsletter



Exploring Future Possibilities

Over the past few weeks, our students have had the opportunity to explore various pathways for their post-secondary futures.

Rain City Performers



Grad 2025

Please ensure 2025 graduates are checking their SD58 E-mail regularly. Important information will be sent as it becomes available.

The next grad meeting is **Wednesday, May 7th, 2025.**



De-Colonizing the Code of Conduct We want to hear from you!

Mr. Ian Paluck is working to decolonize the MSS Code of Conduct. Guided by The First Peoples Principles of Learning, The Circle of Courage, and The Seven Grandfather Teachings, he is revising the language within the document to reflect these values.

We welcomes your input! If you have any thoughts on this initiative or would like more information, please contact Ian Paluck at ipaluck@365.sd58.bc.ca.

Code of Conduct: <https://mss.sd58.bc.ca/code-of-conduct/>



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Spring Sports In Full Swing

Spring sports at MSS are heating up fast! Our athletes have been training hard, and the excitement is building as teams gear up for Zones, Okanagans, and Provincials!

Girls rugby is charging ahead with action-packed games every Wednesday. Our girls soccer squad has been racking up the miles competing far and wide — and they're bringing the action home with a tournament on May 9–10!

Both our junior and senior golf teams are swinging into zones and Okanagans, while the ultimate frisbee crew is taking the spotlight by hosting Okanagans right here in Merritt on May 8! And don't blink — our track stars will be sprinting into their zone championships on May 6. Go, MSS! We're cheering on all our incredible athletes as they chase victory this season!

So much egg-citement



Health Promoting Schools

When young people face challenges, it can be hard to know what is going on and how to help. Having a conversation is a great place to start. It lets them know they don't have to deal with challenges on their own.

Visit <https://www.bcchildrens.ca/health-information/health-and-well-being-guidance/talking-youth-about-mental-health> for more information.

Online Event for Parents and caregivers: Finding and Creating Connection With Kids

May 6 @ 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm PD

<https://familysmart.ca/event/finding-and-creating-connection-with-kids/>

RISE Individual Grants

Support all Children and Youth in and out of Care (under the age of 27) who wish to participate in a sport, physical activity, recreation, and/or cultural program opportunity. Up to \$1000 per calendar year can be put towards program cost, equipment and travel.

Visit https://isparc.ca/grants-recognition/rise-grants-individuals/?mc_cid=68370c16b9 for more information

Important Dates:

May 5th - National Day of Awareness for MMIWG2S

May 7th - National Child & Youth Mental Health Day

May 9-11 - Merritt Highschool Rodeo

May 14th - Grade 8 Leadership Conference

May 19th - Victoria Day - MSS Closed