



# Imagine High

INTEGRATED ARTS & TECHNOLOGY SECONDARY

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER: NOVEMBER 2021



### Seeking Imagine Student Input

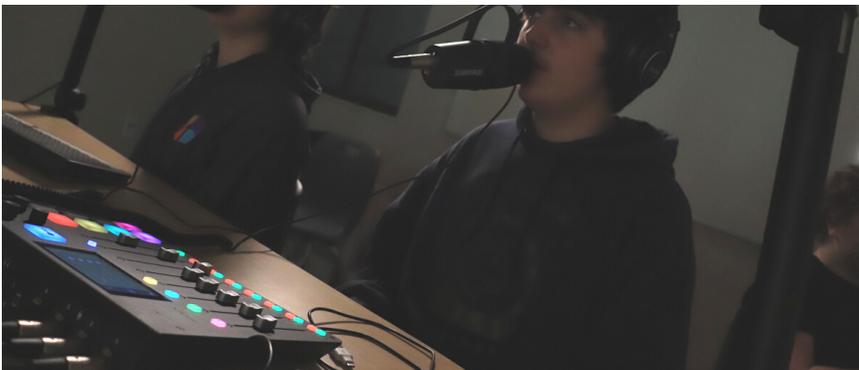
As we begin to formalize our Strategic School Plan, we invite families and students to support us in our thinking. We so enjoyed connecting with families on October 25th, and appreciate your willingness to be partners in learning with us.

All Imagine students are invited to attend a virtual collaboration session on November 1st that 6:30 PM with Imagine leaders to gather input around dreams, hopes and areas of growth at our school. Please join us and share your thoughts!

In November, we will formalize and post our school plan for learning, and look forward to engaging in this important work together.

Students, please register in advance for this meeting:  
<https://sd33-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5cqduyrqz0rGN0vBNbsfxQinciyu8BklZHY>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



### LOOKING AHEAD

*Important dates and events coming soon at Imagine High*

**November 1 - Student Input Zoom**

**November 10 - Q1 ends,  
Remembrance Day Virtual  
Assembly**

**November 12- Non-Instructional  
Day (no school)**

**November 22 - Report Cards to  
families**

**November 26 - Non instructional  
Day (no school)**

**December 17 - Holiday Student  
Gathering in Theatre**

**December 18 - Winter break  
begins**

**January 4 - Winter break ends**

**January 17 - Deep Dives begin**

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## ROCKBAND SCHOOL CONCERTS

A huge congratulations to Mr. Slykhuis and his Rockband quarterly elective for an exceptionally awesome first concert in the Imagine Theatre!

The three bands that formed each performed a set of rocking oldies and contemporary music selected by the students. Stay tuned for the video and photo footage of the event captured by the Photography elective crew.

*A reminder that quarter 1 ends November 10th. If students are interested in changing their next quarter elective, please fill out a course change form at the Welcome Center to see if space is available.*



## MASCOT PROCESS

This month we will be taking the voting data from the mascot submission process to our school staff, parent advisory council, and district partners. This process will take some time, but we will be excited to reveal the winning idea in the new year!

Thank you to students for all of your submissions.

## IMAGINE BASKETBALL



Basketball at Imagine has begun! We have a full line-up of girls coming out for Coach Slykhuis and Coach Low is still recruiting a few more boys before we confirm that team will happen. Right now the girls are practicing Monday and Wednesday after school and the boys will be practicing Tuesday and Thursday.

For more information please email Athletic Director:

kristen\_low@sd33.bc.ca



## IMAGINE PAC

If you are interested in being part of the Parent Advisory Council at Imagine High, please email:

[iss-pac@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:iss-pac@sd33.bc.ca)

PAC info is available at:

<https://imagine.sd33.bc.ca/imagine-pac>



## IMAGINE HIGH GRAND OPENING

On Wednesday, Imagine High held a Grand Opening ceremony to officially open the new Integrated Arts & Technology school in Chilliwack. Students and staff welcomed special guests and community members with speeches, tours of the facilities and student presentations.

Please stay tuned for information about our student and family grand opening occurring once the culinary arts space and shop projects are complete in the new year: we can't wait to celebrate project completion with our larger Imagine community.

Watch [this video](#) to see images of the Imagine journey to opening.



## Inclusive Practices at Imagine

**"We are diverse, all of us. We all have strengths, we all have stretches and we all need to get better at something. The difference in teaching to diversity, however, is that we don't start with our deficits, we start with our strengths"**

*- Shelley Moore*

Implementing and embedding competency-based Individualized Education Plans (IEP) at Imagine has been the main focus of the Inclusive Design Team this past month. They have worked tirelessly mining strength based evidence of learning and meeting with families, students and teachers to develop a support plan for students. Developing goals that students and families co-create with teachers is a powerful tool that supports team work and builds a transparent relationship with families and the school. Teachers become explicitly aware of the diversity of students and can use that information to plan learning that has multiple access points to the curriculum. Competency based IEPs put the student and family voice in the centre and aligns goals with that of peers. They focus on using language that promotes competencies like, "I can....." statements and learn the support level students require as well as the strategies used in the classroom which are based in the foundation of Universal Design.

Check out this video [The IMPORTANCE OF PRESUMING COMPETENCE](#) by Shelley Moore that targets one of the biggest barriers to inclusive education - mindset. This video will encourage you to reflect on your own assumptions about disability and start to take action to disrupt the ableist structures in education by taking a very important first step.... presuming competence in all students.

## REGISTRATION OPEN NOW FOR SD33 K-12 INTEGRATED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY STREAM FOR 2022/2023



Even though this year feels like it just began, registration for the 2022/2023 school year is now open: <https://sd33.bc.ca/registration>

Availability of spaces will vary by grade, and we will have seats available for students in Grade 9, 10, and 11.

We will have space for the following for the 2022-2023 School Year

- Grade 9- 150 spaces
- Grade 10 – Currently full (waitlist available)
- Grade 11- 100 spaces

Prior to confirming enrollment, you will receive communications from Imagine High in January 2022 sharing how to sign up for a short, 15 minute zoom connection. We ask that all new students and their families join us in a learning conversation together- we love meeting our learners ahead of time and hearing about their hopes and dreams. Students already on a waitlist do not need to re-register. Please stay tuned for information in the new year- looking forward to connecting in January.

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR INFORMATION:  
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