

SD43 Coquitlam

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Now More Than Ever



SD43 LIBRARY SYSTEM YEAR IN REVIEW

2008-2009 Facts and Statistics



► Facilities and Staffing

66 School Libraries
1 Aboriginal
Education Library
1 Coquitlam Open
Learning Virtual Library
1 Digital Library
36,335 Borrowers
39 FTE Teacher-Librarians,
14 Library Assistants,
3 Central Services Staff

► Collections

Total Items Borrowed:
776,655
New Books/Videos
Added: 40,467
Databases (all levels): 28
Total Copies: 762,851
Est. Value: \$14 Million

► Central Services

Items Processed: 11,245
Support Calls: 1,082

► Programs and Services

Battle of the Books
and Reading Link
Literacy Days
Book Clubs
Red Cedar Book Awards
and Stellar Awards
Author Visits
Virtual School Libraries
Online Book Reviews and
Recommendations
Work Experience
Opportunities

New Resources for Teaching and Learning

Our newest library, the **Coquitlam Open Learning Virtual Library**, opened online to serve learners, joining the **Aboriginal Education Library** (online in June 2008).

New digital resources including student and staff research databases (EBSCO, World Book, Encyclopedia of British Columbia), National Film Board of Canada-Office National Du Film Du Canada streaming video and Media Awareness Network materials were made available.

Elementary **Library Computers** are being updated in over 15 schools and virtual **Library SharePoint Sites** were developed by teacher-librarians across the district.



DISTRICT AND SCHOOL INITIATIVES

Role of Teacher-Librarians

Teacher-librarians work with students and staff on all aspects of literacy, research, learning resources, and technology. The role of the teacher-librarian in schools is critically important, now more than ever, to support 21st-Century learning.

Accessing Digital Resources

District digital collections include e-Books, streaming video, online encyclopedias such as the World Book Online suite, student research databases ranging from Kids Search to Academic Search Premier, and staff resources such as Professional Development Collection. The SD43 Digital Library provides access to professionally selected and organized websites. District digital resources are accessible for use through the district website and through virtual school library sites.



Central Services

The Library Processing Department provides library technical services and support to schools in addition to adding new resources to library collections. District library professional development opportunities include teacher-librarian mentorship and technology learning teams.

Coquitlam School District K-12 Library and Learning Resources Pages

School District 43 teacher-librarians have long been innovators in the development of digital resources for teaching and learning. March 2010 will mark the 15th anniversary of the debut of the Coquitlam School District K-12 Library and Learning Resources pages which won the Roy C. Hill Award for Education in 1998. As the pages retire this fall after so many years of service, we recognize the achievements of the past and the range of new resources that teacher-librarians have made available for learning. Visit the district website and school library websites for more!

Hogwild About Reading

For the ninth consecutive year, school libraries benefitted from the efforts of a group of principals, vice-principals, teacher-librarians, and Hogwild riders. In April, ride founder Ross Davidson, principal of Scott Creek Middle School, was the recipient of the BC Teacher-Librarians' Association's Distinguished Service Award for the Hogwild initiative. Thank you to the Hogwild About Reading team and riders and particularly to Ross!

For More Information, Visit:

<http://public.sd43.bc.ca/district/library>

Highlights, Awards and Recognition

Battle of the Books and Reading Link

Seven district middle schools participated in the second year of Battle of the Books which culminated in Hillcrest Middle School taking top honours. Ten elementary schools participated in the Reading Link challenge with Coquitlam Public Library and Terry Fox Library.

Red Cedar Book Awards Coquitlam Gala

On May 9th, Maillard Middle School was the host site for the Red Cedar Book Awards Gala hosted in partnership with Coquitlam Public Library and Port Moody Public Library. The awards gala welcomed nine award-nominated authors and over 300 young readers in celebration of Canadian children's literature!

School Community Connections Grant

Port Moody Public Library and School District 43 received a grant from the School Community Connections program for a Random Acts of Kindness project between Port Moody schools and school libraries and Port Moody Public Library which successfully ran from February to May.

Successful Partnerships

In October, the Deputy Minister of Education's *Report on Education* featured an article which recognized the strong and successful collaboration and cooperation between the SD43 Library System and Coquitlam Public Library, Port Moody Public Library, and Terry Fox Library.