



RAMPAC

November 2021 Update

The Mount Doug RAMPAC is the voice of our parent/guardian community. Together with the administration and staff, the RAMPAC is dedicated to building a strong school community. Every parent/guardian of a student attending our school is a member.

The RAMPAC's purpose is to facilitate exceptional educational, social, arts, and athletic opportunities for the students and staff at Mount Doug.

All our meetings are via Zoom from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. 2021-22 meeting dates:

- **November 17: school update and budget approval**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://gvsd61.zoom.us/j/62285310706?pwd=c2E2M21CUjdwaVUCt5SmU3cnNjdz09>

Meeting ID: 622 8531 0706

Passcode: 769028

- January 19: school update and parent education
- February 16: school update and parent education (tentative)
- April 20: school update and parent education (tentative)
- May 18: school update and AGM

We would like to remind all parents and guardians that teachers are available outside of parent-teacher conferences. Email addresses are on the school website <https://mountdoug.sd61.bc.ca/staff-info-2/>

Please remind your students that hand sanitizing is necessary and expected when they enter the school. Masks are also required when in school. Please talk with school administrators if you need support.

Peer tutoring is back – if your student needs support to make sure they are on-track, please encourage them to **schedule an appointment**.

Each year we receive funding requests from the school community. We support academics, athletics, clubs, fine arts, and other areas such as grad. 100% of the funds we receive are allocated to the students and school.



The RAMPAC is running a **Donation Drive** now until November 30 (just in time for a tax receipt). If you are in the position to help we would truly appreciate it. Suggested donation is \$50/student. Please select the **Make a Donation** button on the Mount Doug homepage – select Mount Douglas Secondary - PAC. A tax receipt is issued immediately.

We have been busy this school year – here are a few notable items

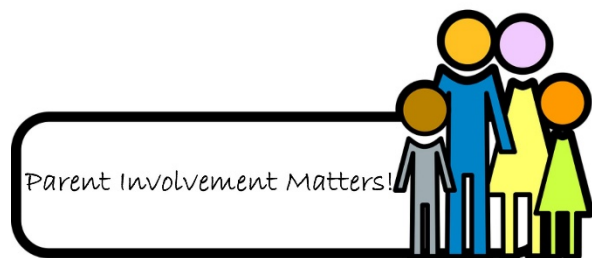


School News:

- 947 students including 200 international students, most from Europe
- Facility upgrades include new windows, blinds, media lab installed in Room 114
- School-wide PA system has been replaced
- Recording studio build is almost complete, being used by a number of student groups
- Shops upgraded with 2 new hoists
- Outdoor shelter is being installed for mechanics to create an outdoor learning space
- Multipurpose room has been upgraded as gathering area and includes outdoor seating
- Ventilation system upgraded and running at full capacity
- Front entrance seismic upgrade forthcoming
- Learning Commons renovation almost complete – plants, paint, and art
- Design contest for Learning Commons wall is underway

- Times Colonist Literacy Grant recipient – funds will be used to modernize the books in the library
- Calm Room – working on funding for sound proofing
- Clubs and sports are up and running
- No international or interprovincial travel permitted yet. Overnight travel permitted to lower mainland and on the Island. Infectious disease control plans must be in place and followed.
- Camp Pringle band trip approved.
- Flex Block is suspended for Semester 1, will be evaluated in December.
- 2nd Wednesday of each month the UBC Mental Health course is held for the entire school body, Derek Horton teacher lead.
- Diversity our Narrative student group and Sara Wright meet monthly to discuss supporting school diversity
- PE class/active living - girls class is learning self-defence via the police liaison program
- Michelle Morson, Leadership Teacher, is facilitating luncheon events
- New courses: Intro to Italian 11; Environment: Science and Climate Change 11; Drama, Film and TV.
- Talking Tables continues – teacher group focused on race and equity issues in the curriculum

Your RAMPAC has been working with the school to update the Code of Conduct and Anti-racism action plan



Looking for more information?

Check out the

- Daily Announcements

- Mount Doug App

- Mount Douglas Secondary School -

- Facebook page

- Twitter @mountdouggrams

Need to reach your RAMPAC, please email us at rampac@vcpac.ca

Thank you! Carren Dujela (Chair)

Quick reminder – watch
speed limits on Laval

