



# Raven's Call

A Newsletter for Kengard Learning Centre: SCIDES and Kengard Alternate

**We have a mascot: The Raven**

**After much collaboration, Kengard Learning Centre has adopted the raven as its official mascot. Look to future editions of the Raven's Call to hear the story of the raven and watch for school swag to start appearing.**

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## School's In

[Back to work for some, continuing for others](#)

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OK, you knew we had to start with this! Welcome Back – or, simply, welcome! We are glad to see all our students and staff and can feel the energy around being at work.

SCIDES has a very active registrar right now, and we appreciate everyone's patience as we work our way through the queue of requests. We are always accepting new enrolments, but September can be particularly busy.

Kengard Alternate was hopping on the first day. Right away at 8:30 am there were young people getting down to coursework (no names mentioned, VH!). We clearly have students who have made school a priority and I congratulate them on that.

As you settle in to your studies (new or on-going), please remember that showing up to participate regularly makes all the difference in how long it takes to complete and how well you understand what you are learning. We encourage everyone to set a reasonable pace and keep their eyes on the end-game.

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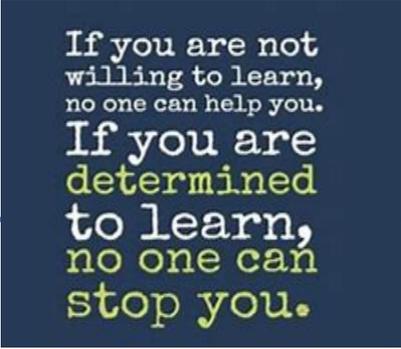
## Two PACs at KLC

[Kengard Alternate has a PAC](#)

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Want to have a voice in your child(ren)'s education? Interested in planning an event for students? Have great ideas for increasing engagement in school life? Both SCIDES and Kengard Alternate have Parent Advisory Committees. If you want to join the SCIDES PAC please contact the group at [scidespac.sd58@gmail.com](mailto:scidespac.sd58@gmail.com). We meet by teleconference at 6 pm on the second Tuesday of each month

If you are a parent/guardian of a Kengard Alternate student and would like to join PAC, contact our principal, Karen Goetz, [kgoetz@365.sd58.bc.ca](mailto:kgoetz@365.sd58.bc.ca)



If you are not  
willing to learn,  
no one can help you.  
If you are  
determined  
to learn,  
no one can  
stop you.

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## Student ID Cards Available

School of Record Students can save money

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If either SCIDES or Kengard Alternate are your School of Records, please see Mr. Tilt to get your student ID card. Many businesses offer discounts to students who show their card. Take advantage of the savings now!

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## What we are learning

As with all public schools, curriculum looks a little different this year.

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Effective September, 2018, some grade 10 courses look a little different and graduation requirements have changed. All non-graduated students are now on the 2018 Graduation Plan which means that they will be taking Career Life Education and two of five 2-credit English 10 options. As well, “health” is now added to PE, to make it Physical Health Education, and the “apprentice” has been dropped to make the new math course simply: Workplace Math. Along with these, there are a number of tweaks to existing science and social studies courses too.

Of course, if you already have Planning 10, you do not need to worry. Our Ministry of Education will be recognizing that credit so long as it is completed by June 30, 2019.

All Grades 10 – 12 students are encouraged to check out Graduation Requirements to ensure that they are setting themselves up for graduating on time. Keep in touch with your school advisor and go to this website for all the details:

[https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/kindergarten-to-grade-12/support/graduation/bc\\_dogwood\\_planner\\_eng.pdf](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/kindergarten-to-grade-12/support/graduation/bc_dogwood_planner_eng.pdf)

In addition to all of that, remember that any student who has not written a provincial exam for math 10 MUST write the provincial numeracy assessment sometime between their grades 10 – 12 years. Practice assessments are on-line and are highly recommended as this is NOT a math test.

A literacy assessment will be coming into practice in 2019-2020. In the meantime, the provincial exam for English 12 must be written by graduating students.

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## En FRANÇAIS, you say?

Welcome Mr. Kzanoski

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SCIDES is pleased to welcome Mr. Kzanoski as its new French 10 – 12 teacher. If you have a French query, do not hesitate to ask. We look forward to continuing our promotion of Canada’s other official language!



**Food Safe** is a certification program recognized in BC and throughout Canada which is a requirement of working within the foodservice industry. It is a great resume booster and also an applicable course if you work within the kitchen regularly at home.

The Kengard Learning Centre will be hosting a **Food Safe program for students in Grade 7 and up on October 11th and 12th in Merritt from 8:30am- 12:30pm (plus a 1 hr exam October 12th)**. The course will be provided free of charge but there is a cost of \$20 dollars to cover certification and a student manual.

Please contact Mrs.Tilt in advance in order to pre-register [ltilt@365.sd58.bc.ca](mailto:ltilt@365.sd58.bc.ca) or 250-315-1203



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### Did you know:

If you are a SCIDES School of Record student, you are eligible to receive up to \$600 in the school year to support your learning outside of your SCIDES courses. Ask your teacher about this today!

