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Please correct disparity between OKM and KSS, SD23 claims no funds for busing while KSS students travel the

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It is outrageous what disparities exist within this school district. KSS offers a vast array of courses – which, I would suggest, are entirely unnecessary to students who are actually doing well in school and wish to pursue a bright future academically, because once a student takes their maths, required courses and all three sciences, there is very little room left for electives. KSS is run like, and offers courses on subjects that in my experience are highly unusual for a high school and much more appropriate and tend to not be offered until university. For example, journalism, and classes that teach business accounting concepts. These have no place in a high school. It has a vast array of extracurricular activities. Students go on a litany of international trips. But not ALL students, only some are cherry picked for such opportunities. It still escapes me how the SAME school district can claim that it can't afford to bus French immersion students, while at the same time it is allowing students to travel all over the world.

OKM, on the other hand, has a much narrower class selection (as is fitting for a high school), much fewer extra curriculars (which is unfortunate) in comparison to KSS, and NO international trips. It is run more like a middle school or possibly a high school without many clubs.

The disparity among high schools in this district is appalling. Please also see below. Imagine if you are one of the few KLO students who will be going to OKM how you would feel reading the newsletter below.

Best,

Susan

From:

Sent: June 22, 2025 9:32 PM

To: 'Nathen Elliott' <Nathen.Elliott@sd23.bc.ca>; 'vince.hunter@sd23.bc.ca'

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Subject: RE: KLO Weekly Memo (June 23-26, 2025)

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Also, why is KSS going to PERU when this school district apparently doesn't even have enough funds to bus French immersion students to school? In any event, again, what about OKM students? What equivalent trip are they going on? I would suggest this has NO place in a KLO newsletter unless ALL students are treated equally, meaning ALL students have an opportunity to go on a directly equivalent trip without any numbers or other limitations. If ALL students who have parental permission are not able to go, NO students, from ANY school should be going.

Best, Susan

Sent: June 22, 2025 9:10 PM

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Subject: FW: KLO Weekly Memo (June 23-26, 2025)

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Why does page 4 of this newsletter state an orientation only for students going to KSS, with the students who are going to OKM left to wonder: "what about us? Does Anyone care about us?" Surely OKM has an orientation too for the grade 10 students joining the school in the French immersion program, and surely ALL students will be treated equally, and ALL students told when their applicable orientation will be!!

Best, Susan

From: KLO Middle School < klo@sd23.bc.ca>

Sent: June 20, 2025 4:21 PM

To:

Subject: KLO Weekly Memo (June 23-26, 2025)

Way' / Hello / Bonjour,

Please see our KLO Weekly Memo for June 23-26, 2025.pdf

Please note the calendar as next week's schedule varies based on student grade for the Celebrations of Learning activities:

June 23 - Grade 9s only

June 24 - Grade 8s only

June 25 - Grade 7s only

June 26 - all students (8:55-9:30am)

Have a wonderful weekend!

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