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1. Calendar Reminder:

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| • Thursday, February 9 | Semester 1 Report Cards Posted |
| • Friday, February 17 | No school in session |
| • Monday, February 20 | Family Day – no school in session |
| • Wednesday, February 22 | Pink Shirt Day |
| • Thursday, March 2 | Multicultural Lunch |

2. Semester 1 Final Report Cards - Thursday, February 9th

Parents will be able to access Student Report Cards on the MyEd family portal Thursday, February 9th at the end of the school day. This report card will include Semester 1 Final Marks.

Family Portal Important Notes:

Log In Before February 9th - Please be sure to logon to your MyEd Family Portal account so that you can access upcoming report cards and other published reports. This will ensure you will be able to see your child's report card when it is posted.

- Family Portal Link: <https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspern/logon.do>
- [Logging-In Quick Guide](#)

Username/Password/Password Recovery – Please record your username and password. Furthermore, confirm you have set up your 'password recovery' function to allow you to reset your own password.

- [Password Recovery Guide](#)

If you need support with your family portal account, please email us at sentinelportalhelp@wvschools.ca

3. [Sentinel's Counselling Department](#)

Grade 9-11 Student Course Planning

Presentations will take place in classrooms as well as X-block during the month of February (semester 2). Schedules will be posted on Grad google classrooms and PowerPoints are available on the Sentinel website.

Grad Gown Order Form: Please check your Grad Google Classroom for the form to order your Grad Gown. Orders are due by February 6th @ 3:00 PM.

Grade 12 Student Scholarship Opportunities, click [HERE](#) for more information.

- 2023 Provincial Scholarship Awards: Each year the Ministry of Education and Child Care provides over 13,500 scholarships to eligible graduating students. Please review this [program summary](#) and use the new [Provincial Scholarships Program infographic](#) to start conversations with your students about the [BC Achievement](#), [District/Authority](#), [BC Excellence](#), or [Pathway to Teacher Education](#) scholarships. Contact scholarships@gov.bc.ca if you have any questions.
- BCIT is pleased to announce that the following Entrance Awards are available to students who are planning to attend our institute starting May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024. Up to 25 BCIT President's Entrance Awards, available only to current High School students valued up to \$4,000 each. Deadline: April 15, 2023. Over 100 additional BCIT Entrance Awards some valued up to \$18,000 each. Deadlines: April 15 and/or October 1, 2023. More information about BCIT Entrance Awards and the application forms can be found at bcit.ca/financial-aid.

For more information from our counselling team please visit:

<https://sentinelcounselling.weebly.com/>

4. Spartan Athletics

Sentinel Golf Team

Please pass on this information to all Sentinel students interested in playing on Sentinel's Spring Golf Team:

- Tues March 7th: Info Meeting at LUNCH (team will be max 8 players) – in Rm 254 starting at 12:45 pm
- Thurs March 9th – Golf Tryout (if necessary) – if more than 8 people come to Info Meeting will be Thursday March 9th at Glen Eagles, TBD – on Tues March 7th, based on number of students at lunch meeting

Sentinel Badminton Team

Tryouts for the Sentinel Badminton Team will be held:

- Mon Feb 27th – 3:00-5:30 pm, Sentinel Main Gym
- Tues Feb 28th – 3:00-6:30 pm, Sentinel Main Gym
- There MAY be some open gym times on Feb 21st and Feb 22nd - to be determined, so look for more info by Thurs Feb 16th

Mark Fenn, Sentinel Athletic Director: sentinelathletics@wvschools.ca

You can follow Sentinel Athletics (@sentinelathletics) on Instagram for up-to-date information and other exciting Athletics content.

5. Sentinel PAC

February PAC Meeting is next Wednesday, Feb 8 at 9:15 am at the school library mezzanine (above the library). Greet and coffee: 8:45-9:15am, we will have a Special Guest, WV School Trustee for Sentinel - Felicia Zhu

MCL Planning Meeting is next Wednesday, Feb 8 at 10:00 am at the school library mezzanine (above the library). All table coordinators/helpers and parents are invited to join.

Sentinel Multicultural Lunch: Thursday, March 2nd Please **PLEASE SIGN UP NOW!** **Tickets go on sale on Friday, Feb 24th, so please sign up.**

To sign-up, just click on the link (or links) below, and enter your contact information and what, and how much, you will provide.

- Please select the link to sign-up for the Table Coordinator, a table helper AND donate a dish **(click here)**
- Please select the link below to sign-up as Baked Goods Table Coordinator, a table helper, AND donate a dish **(click here)**
- Please select the link to sign up as a Drinks Table Coordinator, a table helper, AND donate drinks. Cans and plastic bottles only, please. No juice boxes. No glass **(click here)**
- Please select the link to sign up as Salad Table Coordinator, a table helper, AND donate a dish **(click here)**
- Please select the link to sign up as a Tickets Coordinator, or a helper to sell tickets. **(click here)**

Any Questions? Please contact MCL Coordinators, Cathy Yeung (cathysentinelpac@gmail.com) at 604-808-2182 or Melanie Miao (melaniemiao99@gmail.com)

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!

PAC Resources - Agenda and Minutes please click on the link below:

<https://westvancouver.schools.ca/ecole-sentinel-secondary/parents/pac-resources/>

If you have any questions or want to get involved and help Sentinel PAC, please send email Cathy at cathysentinelpac@gmail.com

6. Sentinel Stage

Sentinel Stage is actively rehearsing and designing our annual production, *You Can't Take It With You*. This 1930's classic comedy is looking several pieces that perhaps might be hiding in the basements and/or attics of our fellow Spartans.

- big dining table (dark wood) that is able to have 12 people/chairs surrounding it - a vintage table that could pass as being from the early 20th century
- vintage dining table chairs OR a set of 6/8 that we could add to
- xylophone and xylophone hammers/mallets
- standing painting easel
- a printing press
- Coat rack (wooden)

If you have unearthed these treasures please email Mrs. McGuinness-Gill at

mmcguinnessgill@wvschools.ca

Thank you! 😊

7. The Sentinel Sun

[Welcome to The Student Blog for all things Sentinel!](#)

8. Sentinel Sustainable Commuting Initiative (SSCI)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Please join our effort to develop sustainable commuting to and from Sentinel.

- improve drop-off and pick-up flow
- encourage alternate modes of transportation
- reduce traffic congestion around the school
- reduce emissions

Join the google classroom, x77aknu, or speak to Mr. Braidek, Ms. Heavyside or Mr. Wilson.

Volunteer hours available.

9. Canadian Computing Competition (CCC) – Wed February 15th afternoon:

Do you know a current Sentinel student who is interested in programming in a text-based language like C, C++, Python or Java? Are they looking for a challenge?

If so, they should consider writing the Canadian Computer Competition (CCC) on Wednesday February 15th in the afternoon (during Periods 1 and 2). The cost of the CCC is \$8; exact cash or a cheque for \$8 payable to "Sentinel Secondary" can be brought to Ms. Winstone in Room 254.

For more info go to: <https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/ccc-cco.html>

If a student is interested, then they should use the link that follows and read the instructions and create an account for the CCC online grader, that is associated with Sentinel Secondary:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hUiiIGNL3hMAuHfMvMUPGeUx1pis7QCD/view?usp=sharing>

- Creating an account is free, and does not mean you will write the CCC for sure
- The student can see if they WANT to write – and then bring Ms. Winstone \$8
- Giving the \$8 to Ms. W is what assures a spot for a current Sentinel student to write the contest

If you have any questions about the CCC, please email Ms. Lara Winstone at lwinstone@wvschools.ca

10. 2023-2024 Carpentry: Youth Train in Trades Applications

The West Van School District's Carpentry: Youth Train in Trades is for students who are keenly interested in acquiring industry recognized skills and certification in carpentry, construction and related trades. By completing this program students receive 16 credits (4 courses) towards high school graduation, in addition to Level 1 Carpentry Training. Students learn lifelong skills, participate in work experience, and have the opportunity to learn right on the job site! To learn more about the program visit this site and to apply [click here](#). If you have any questions, email Parnaz Kashani: pkashani@wvschools.ca & Akina Weitzel: Aweitzel@wvschools.ca

11. Parents as Education and Career Coaches: March 8th

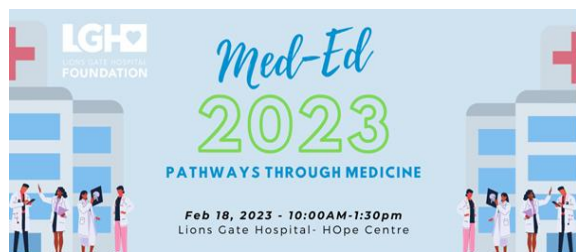
For both parents and students, please click [HERE](#) for more information on a Virtual evening hosted by Education Planner BC and WVS. Topics include BC's post-secondary institutions and credentials, program and admission requirements and key dates, and navigating resources.

12. 5th Annual Med Ed Conference

The Lions Gate Hospital's Foundation's Youth Advisory Committee invites all high school and undergraduate students who are interested in the medical field to join us for our 5th Annual Med Ed conference! This year's theme is Pathways through Medicine and will be at the Hope Centre at the Lions Gate Hospital on February 18th at 10:00am.

This conference is a platform for students to learn more about the journey into a career in medicine and health care, so come and listen to all of our incredible speakers and panelists who can help provide insight into the many pathways medicine has to offer!

Tickets are available for purchase at <https://lghfoundation.com/event/meded-conference-2023/>. Early Bird Tickets at \$25 are available until February 12th at midnight (Regular Tickets at \$30), buy your ticket as soon as possible as seating is limited.



13. Vancouver Coastal Health

Are your Child's vaccinations up to date? [LINK](#)

Feeling sick? Stop the Spread [LINK](#)

Appointments for **Covid and flu vaccination** can be booked at: [LINK](#)

Appointments for **school age vaccination** can be booked at: [LINK](#)

or scan the attached QR code



14. Youth & Vaping: A Free Parent Forum on Feb 9

A free Parent Community Conversation will be held at Handsworth on Feb 9 from 7:00 – 9:00 at Handsworth. Please click [HERE](#) for more information.

15. Ambleside Park Weekly 5km Run

Please see the [link](#) for details. Looking for volunteers , between 6 & 10 people each week to host the event, with volunteers committing 1.5-2 hours as marshalls, timekeeper and 'tail walker'.

Volunteers can be any age (kids 11 & under require parental supervision). The event is held with the permission of DWV, and is fully insured.

16. Canadian Parents for French: West Vancouver Chapter

We have a brand-new West Vancouver chapter of Canadian Parents for French, a national network of volunteers, parents and advocates dedicated to the promotion of FSL opportunities for families. To learn more and to become a member, please click [HERE](#).

As a new chapter, CPF will be partnering with schools and local organizations to offer French opportunities for kids and adults. The more members we have registered, the more French events we can organize in our community. For more information, please contact Alma at alma.cpfwv@gmail.com.

In addition, CPF and the West Vancouver Memorial Library are offering a drop-in weekly French language class for adults, suited to all levels on Fridays from 1:30pm to 2:30pm. For more information, please click [HERE](#).



17. Newcomer Programs through the WV Rec Centre

Please click the [link](#) for information on new Language Classes.

Please click on the [link](#) for information on programs for Newcomers.