



November 2nd, 2023

Calendar Upcoming

November 9 – PAC Meeting (9:00am)
November 13 – Remembrance Day (no school)
November 14 – Non-Instructional Day (no-school)
November 17 – 24 Artona Grad Photos
November 30 - Collaboration Day (9:30am start)
December 1 – Learning Update #1 posted to MyEd
December 4 – Pro D Day (no school)

OUR SCHOOL

1. New Block Rotation schedule
2. Remembrance Day Assemblies
3. AP Art Students Congrats!
4. Student Learning Update #1
5. Sentinel Student Council
6. Yearbooks
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IN THE COMMUNITY

- A. Post Secondary Options
- B. Connecting the Community
- C. Range: Geography Conference
- D. Canadian Parents for French

**** Bus Driver Needed****

Sentinel Secondary is looking for a part-time bus driver. The school has access to both 15 seat and 48 seat vehicles. Candidates must have a valid BC Class 2 driver's license and flexible schedule. Please contact the school at sentinel@wvschools.ca or call us at 604-981-1130.

1. NEW Block Rotation Schedule Nov 6th – Dec 22nd Attached.

2. Remembrance Day Assemblies – Friday, November 10th, 2023

On Friday November 10th, 2023, Sentinel Secondary School will be holding two assemblies to honor Remembrance Day. Students will be called to the gymnasium for the assemblies, and they will all take place during the scheduled school day.

3. Congratulations to our Amazing AP Art students!

Advanced Placement Exams are scored on a scale of 1 – 5. Twenty-Five Sentinel AP Art students received the top score of 5. Furthermore, we had 9 of these students who are among an elite group worldwide to earn every point possible on an AP Exam, receiving the maximum score of 100% on each portion of the exam.

Madeleine Boniface - 3-D Art and Design

Sarah Frezell - 2-D Art and Design

Yeowon Jung - 2-D Art and Design

Amelie Khoja - 3-D Art and Design

Louis Liu - Drawing

Bokyeong Park - Drawing

Zahra Savoji - 2-D Art and Design

Yiwei Tang - Drawing

Maya Wilson - 2-D Art and Design

AP Drawing: Out of 25,000 portfolios submitted worldwide, 309 received 100%

AP 2D Art and Design: Out of 49,000 portfolios submitted worldwide, 338 received 100%

3D: Out of 8,600 portfolios submitted worldwide, 52 received 100%

Congratulations and well done!

4. Student Learning Update #1 posted to MyEd – Friday, December 1st

Parents will be able to access Student Learning Updates #1 on the MyEd family portal Friday, December 1st at the end of the school day. **Family Portal Important Notes:**

Log In Before December 1st, 2023 - Please be sure to logon to your MyEd Family Portal account so that you can access upcoming learning updates and other published reports. This will ensure you will be able to see your child's learning update when it is posted.

- Family Portal Link: <https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>
- [Logging-In Quick Guide](#)
- [MyED BC Parent Portal Tutorial](#) – video tutorial
- **Username/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](#)
 - Video - [Log In/Password Recovery How to Video](#)

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

5. Sentinel Student Council

Sentinel Student Council organizes many fun and worthwhile projects during the school year. To stay informed on the latest activities follow us on Instagram [@wvsentinelsecondary](#)

6. 2023-2024 Yearbooks

Now is the time to buy your yearbook through SchoolCash online [View Items \(schoolcash.net\)](#) This school designed annual captures all the special moments from the entire year, from warming friendships to events and accomplishments. Don't pass up the opportunity to carry these priceless memories in your hands forever!

7. Sentinel Tutor Club

Need help in a school subject? Whether its Math, English, Social Studies etc., Sentinel Tutor Club's expert senior students are here to assist you! Get paired with a student who can provide dedicated assistance each week, whether you prefer quick 30-minute sessions or longer ones. If you're a senior student, sign up to assist a junior student in any subject with which you feel comfortable. If you're interested, join our google classroom with the code: odtogw5

8. Artona School Photos

Our school photo provider is Artona. For all photo inquiries and to order photos please see their website: https://artona.com/schools/SENT/programs/school_photo.

Artona Grad Photo Sessions Nov 17-25 will be at Sentinel in a mobile "Artona on wheels" in the parking lot and can be booked online. Each appointment takes approx. 20 minutes, and you will get a variety of grad and personal photos taken. A 5-person family pose is included as part of your session. Book here: <https://artona.com/schools/SENT/programs/graduation>

9. Grad 2024 Information

Post Secondary Events Calendar

This calendar is a district resource that contains links to many different post-secondary events both in person and virtually. We encourage families of grade 10 to 12s to add it to their google calendar.

[Post-Secondary Events Calendar](#)

UBC – Admissions Presentation

UBC has recorded their admissions presentation which you can access on this YouTube link. [UBC Presentation](#)

10. Sentinel's Counselling Department

Counsellors are here to assist students with academic planning as well as mental health support. They are a wealth of information and assist students based on each student's last name.

Lisa Ulinder (last names A-F) lulinder@wvschools.ca

Jennifer Murray (last names G-LIT) jmurray@wvschools.ca

Stefan Huskison (last names LIU-SAM) shuskilson@wvschools.ca

Alex Thureau (last names SAN-Z) athureau@wvschools.ca

For more information from our counselling team please visit:

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

11. Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) News

“Growing our diverse school community through fun activities that support student needs.”

Join us for the next PAC meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 9th at 9:00am in the Library Mezzanine. Coffee and good energy guaranteed. Nov. Agenda and October Meeting minutes attached.

Join a parent “Team!

LEGACY FUNDRAISING TEAM - plan legacy projects, goals, and fundraising. Contact Rob Spurgeon: robspurgeon@live.com

EVENTS TEAM - organise and host events such as staff luncheons and multicultural lunch. Contact Anna Chin: qinyancn@hotmail.com

PARENT EDUCATION TEAM - decide topics and plan speakers & events for parents to learn about emerging issues. Contact Diane Shoar: frauen@naver.com

GRAD TEAM - help plan and implement activities for Grade 12 students and parents. Contact Victoria Mendes: victoria@mendes.ca

To volunteer for PAC, contact Nora Gambioli at sepac@wvschools.ca

12. Athletics

The Sentinel Athletics department is seeking Basketball coaches for our Grade 8-10 teams this upcoming Winter for both the Girls and Boys teams. We are also looking for a coach for our Senior Boys Rugby team in the Spring. If you are interested, or have any questions regarding Athletics, please reach out to Mark Fenn or Brooks McNiven, our Sentinel Athletic Directors

sentinelathletics@wvschools.ca

Please follow Sentinel Athletics [@sentinelathletics](https://www.instagram.com/sentinelathletics) on Instagram for up-to-date information and other exciting Athletics content.

13. Annual Student Parking Pass

For those students parking at the school, please purchase a student’s parking pass using School Cash Online and bring the receipt to the Accounting Office beginning Monday, September 19th between 10:00 am-3:00 pm Monday to Friday. If you need assistance with [SchoolCash Online](#) please email our Accountant, Allison Carruthers at acarruthers@wvschools.ca

14. Absence Notification & Excused Absences

Please email ALL Attendance related matters to: sentinelattendance@wvschools.ca

If a student is away/ill or will be late for school, parents are requested to inform the school by sending us an email. Please include their full legal name and grade, time of absence and reason for absence. **We must receive emails by 2pm for same day Absence adjustments.** Students arriving ‘late’ for class should proceed directly to their class and check in with the teacher who will modify the attendance to indicate a late vs an absence.

IN THE COMMUNITY

A) Post Secondary Options

Please join us on Tuesday evening 6:30pm-8:00pm November 7 for a learning session on **Post Secondary Education Options for students with diversabilities**. Steps Forward will be with us to explain their program. We have also invited Fiona Whittington-Walsh of KPU and Kyla Ashman of OKC to speak about their innovative programming. **[Register HERE](#)**

B) Connecting the Community

You are invited to join the free in-person forum on "Building a more Connected Community." November 7th at WV Community Centre. Issues covered include cultural differences, ageism, and gender diversity:

<https://www.enhancewestvan.ca/building-a-more-connected-community/>

C) RANGE: A Geography Conference

SFU will be hosting a one-day geography-themed conference on Burnaby Campus on Saturday, Nov. 25 from 9am to 5pm. This conference will be highlighting four major themes: Physical Geography, Human Geography, Geographical Information Sciences (GIS), and Sustainability, and will give attendees a taste of what geography has to offer as a field of study as well as provide opportunities for networking with other geography students, researchers, and professionals in the field. Food will be provided! For more information, please check [here](#).

D) Canadian Parents for French (CPF)

CPF is a nationwide, research-informed organization that furthers bilingualism by promoting opportunities to learn and practice French for all those who call Canada home. We recently opened a CPF West Vancouver Chapter with the purpose of increasing more opportunities to learn and use our second official language: French. Join us today @ <https://cpf.ca/en/join-cpf/>

Daily Health Check & What to do When Sick

Please contact us via email:

General inquiries: sentinel@wvschools.ca

Attendance related: sentinelattendance@wvschools.ca

MyEducation help: sentinelportalhelp@wvschools.ca

Teachers & Staff: please see our website for a complete staff list: [Staff Emails](#)

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