



RIDGEVIEW
ELEMENTARY

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WEST
VANCOUVER
SCHOOLS

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION
PLEASE HAVE THIS TRANSLATED**

RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS
Prière de les faire traduire.

重要資料
請找人為你翻譯

これはたいせつなお知らせです。
どなたかに日本語に訳してもらってください。

알려드립니다
이것을 번역해 주십시오

CHỈ DẪN QUAN TRỌNG
Xin nhờ người dịch hộ

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INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE
Busque alguien que le traduzca.

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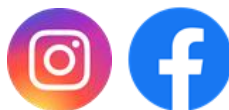
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ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ
Переведите это, пожалуйста.

April 2nd, 2026

[School Website](#)
[RPAC Facebook](#)
[District Website](#)



UPCOMING DATES

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|------------------------|---|
| April 3 rd | Good Friday Holiday (School Closed) |
| April 6 th | Easter Monday Holiday (School Closed) |
| April 8 th | RPAC General Meeting (Virtual) 7:00pm. <i>Guest speaker: Superintendent Chris Kennedy</i> |
| April 10 th | Jump Rope for Heart Event |

SCHOOL NEWS

THE PROUD PRINCIPAL – STUDENT PLACEMENT INPUT REQUEST FOR 2026/2027

Our class placement process ensures that thoughtful consideration of each child's social, emotional and academic needs is aligned with the need to create balanced and effective learning environments. The assignment of students to classes is decided by a team, which includes the School Based Resource Team, a child's current teacher, non-enrolling teachers, support staff and the administrators. This professional team considers each placement carefully as they create classes that include a wide range of students who learn in a variety of ways. The driving

factor that determines organization in the public school system is based on enrollment. West Vancouver School District's priority is the space at each grade where it is possible for students to have an opportunity to attend their catchment school and/or priority choice. This is the reason Ridgeview continues to move towards "multi-age classes" (otherwise known as split classes or combined classes) as have other schools in West Vancouver Schools – see the attached letter for more information.

Parents – please consider ONLY making a request if there are extenuating circumstances OR to share information you feel should be considered when placing their child for the next school year. To make a request – **please fully read the attached letter** which outlines information and guidelines for making a request with the Input Form. Please submit any **Input Forms** to Mr. Zerbe (wzerbe@wvschools.ca) and "cc" your child's current classroom teacher.

Input Forms are due no later than May 15th – late requests cannot be honoured.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

We're excited to announce that our school is hosting Jump Rope for Heart on April 10, 2026! This event supports the Heart and Stroke Foundation, helping fund life-saving research and education on heart health.

We kicked off this event on Monday, March 9! Students should have come home with a postcard that links to our [fundraising page](#). Donations can be made online, making it easy for family and friends to contribute. Every dollar makes a difference! So far we have raised \$100! Thank you to the families who have donated so far.

Jump Rope for Heart is not just about fundraising; it's also about having fun, getting active, and learning how to keep our hearts healthy. Let's jump together for a great cause!

Students are invited to wear red on April 10 in support of the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Donate here: <https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/114781>

MOVING? CHANGING SCHOOLS? (Gr K-6)

If you know your child(ren) will **NOT** be returning to Ridgeview in September for the 2026/27 school year and have not already informed the office, please email Mrs. Lytle (slytle@wvschools.ca) as soon as possible as it is important for us to have accurate information regarding enrollment for the upcoming school year.

STUDENT ABSENCES / LATE ARRIVALS (GR K-7)

It is extremely important that student absences/late arrivals be reported to the school office prior to 8:40am by leaving a voice message on the '**Call Back**' phone line at **604-981-1252** or by emailing Mrs. Lytle (slytle@wvschools.ca). Please call each day your child is absent or if you know your child will be away for an extended period of time (such as holidays), please email the office so that this information can be recorded on the Call Back 'long term' form.

PERSONAL DIGITAL DEVICES (INCLUDING CELL PHONES) REMINDER (Gr K-12)

West Vancouver Schools continues to focus on keeping learning spaces calm, focused, and supportive for students. Clear and consistent expectations around cell phones and other personal digital devices help reduce distractions and support student well-being throughout the school day. Below is a reminder of what device use looks like at school.

At school, this means:

Elementary (K–7)

- Cell phones are not used at any point during the school day, including before and after school, recess, or lunch
- Laptops may be used only during instructional time and only when directed by staff

Secondary (Grades 8–12)

- Cell phones and personal digital devices are used during instructional time only when explicitly permitted by staff
- Any device use is purposeful, supervised, and directly connected to learning

How families can support consistency:

- Avoid texting or calling students during school hours
- Model limited cell phone use when on school grounds
- Reinforce expectations at home so students receive the same message from school and family

A one-page [Parent & Guardian Personal Digital Device Infographic](#) is available for a clear summary of expectations.

2026 SUMMER LEARNING WITH WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS – STAGGERED REGISTRATION OPENS APRIL 8-10

Are you interested in Summer Learning opportunities for your child? West Vancouver Schools is proud to offer a comprehensive set of **refreshed and engaging courses** for students entering Grades 1–12.

Programs will be offered at:

- **Ridgeview Elementary**
- **Irwin Park Elementary**
- **West Vancouver Secondary School**

Registration Opens Next Week

Registration for Summer Learning begins **April 8–10, 2026**, with staggered openings by grade:

- **April 8 at 8:00 AM:**
Current Grade 11 + Grades K–6
- **April 9 at 8:00 AM:**
Current Grade 10
- **April 10 at 8:00 AM:**
Current Grades 7–9

Important Registration Notes

- Registration for current WVS students occurs through [SchoolCash Online](#).
- **Students are only permitted to register for 1 Summer Learning Course. (If you register for more than one Summer Learning Course, Summer Learning administration will use their discretion to make registration decisions, and this will result in your other registration(s) being cancelled.)**
- A **\$100 deposit** is required and is tied to attendance requirements.
- Placement is determined by the **timestamp** of submission and deposit payment.
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More information about courses, locations, attendance expectations, and registration can be found at: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/summer-learning/>

ACADEMY PROGRAM REGISTRATIONS GRADE 8-12 – CLOSING SOON!

If you are interested in registering for the Badminton, Basketball, Fencing, Field Hockey, Robotics (Grades 9-12), Soccer, Tennis or Volleyball Academy please complete a student registration form as soon as possible as space is limited and the 2026-2027 rosters are being set. Please click [Academies](#) to access more information and to submit a registration form. For further questions, please contact Tara Ledingham at tledingham@wvschools.ca.

JUNIOR IGNITE DISTRICT CHOIR REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! (GR 5-7)

Do you have a child in **Grades 5–7** who loves to sing? The **Junior Ignite District Choir** offers students a wonderful opportunity to expand their vocal skills, explore diverse choral music, and grow as young musicians in a supportive and inspiring environment.

Led by **Mrs. Suzanne Fulton**, West Vancouver Schools' Choir Program Director, students receive high-quality instruction in:

- Healthy vocal technique
- Musicianship and ear training
- Singing in harmony
- Exposure to a wide range of choral repertoire

This district program is ideal for young singers who are motivated, cooperative learners and eager to deepen their musical experience beyond their school choir.

Program Details

- **Who:** Students in Grades 5–7
- **When:** Tuesdays, 3:30–5:00 PM
- **Where:** West Vancouver Secondary School – South Campus, Cafeteria Building, Room 64
- **Cost:** \$70/month for 10 months (\$700/year)
- **Includes:** Professional instruction, accompaniment, high-quality repertoire, uniforms, and team-building activities

How to Register

Applications for the **2026–2027 school year are now open!**

👉 **Register here:** <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/premier-programs/jdhc/> [westvancouver.schools.ca]

REMEMBER TO PACK LUNCH UTENSILS FROM HOME (Gr K-7)

A reminder to please pack a reusable fork, spoon or chopsticks from home should your child require a utensil to eat what they have for their lunch. This includes if they are receiving hot lunch. **Utensils are not provided with hot lunch and we do not have utensils available in the office.**

EARLY PICK UPS (Gr K-7)

To avoid disruptions during class time, we encourage families to schedule appointments outside of school hours, however, we understand it is occasionally unavoidable. Should it be necessary to pick your child up early on the odd occasion, **please be sure to email their teacher (and copy the office) in advance so the teacher is aware to help minimize disruption.** Thank you for your cooperation.

WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS

West Vancouver Schools offer a wonderful opportunity to be part of a community that values excellence in education. Our schools take pride in creating meaningful learning experiences and providing opportunities that support the growth, well-being, and success of every student.

To learn more about registration expectations and processes, please visit our admissions page: [West Vancouver Schools Admissions](#)

We look forward to welcoming new students and families to our vibrant and supportive school community!

UPDATE ON SCHOOL AGED CARE PROVIDER TRANSITION

We are writing to share an important update regarding the School Aged Care program operating on school grounds at Ridgeview Elementary School.

First, we would like to extend our sincere appreciation to **Erico Childcare Consultants Ltd.** for their many years of dedicated service to our students and families. Their commitment to supporting children and families in our community has been deeply valued.

We are pleased to share that the non-profit society operating **PJ Kids Club** will be expanding to provide the School Aged Care services at Ridgeview. Founded in 1981, PJ Kids Club has a long-standing history of providing high quality child care and is aligned with school district priorities in supporting children's well-being, belonging, and growth.

What This Means for Families

We recognize that child care is deeply important to families, and transitions can bring questions. Our shared priority – West Vancouver School District, Erico Childcare Consultants

Ltd., and PJ Kids Club – is to ensure a smooth and thoughtful continuation of service. Erico Childcare Consultants Ltd. will finish out this school year and then PJ Kids Club will launch services for the start of the 2026/2027 school year.

As we move through this transition, we kindly ask for your flexibility and understanding while required processes are completed with Vancouver Coastal Health licensing and municipal regulations. We do not anticipate an interruption to service and will continue to keep families informed.

Fees & Affordability

As a non-profit organization, PJ Kids Club operates under the **ChildCareBC Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative (CCFRI)**, which results in reduced parent fees. PJ Kids Club will apply for CCFRI after the new licensing regulations are fulfilled. Additional details about fee structures and billing processes will be shared as part of the formal registration package and then updated before September 2026.

Registration for 2026/2027

Please note the following important information:

- Current enrollment **cannot be transferred** to PJ Kids Club.
- An online form is included with this communication to collect your **intention to register for the 2026/2027 school year**.
- This form is not formal registration, but it will create the list that PJ Kids Club will use to offer spaces in out of school care.
- PJ Kids Club anticipates beginning the formal registration process in **early July**, at which time families who have signed up on the online list will receive further instructions.

Because registration will look different this year due to licensing and operational requirements, we encourage families to complete the online intention form as soon as possible to ensure they are included in the offering process.

Questions

Questions related to the transition or upcoming registration process can be directed to:

manager@pjkidsclub.com

PJ Kids Club is committed to offering high quality care and looks forward to working in partnership with families and the school community.

If you are interested in registering for Before and/or After School Care for the 2026/2027 school year, please complete this form:

<https://shorturl.at/58KW8>

We thank you for your continued support and understanding as we work collaboratively to ensure a strong and seamless transition for children and families.

Warm regards,

Laine Anderson
District Vice Principal, Early Learning & Child Care

NEXT VIRTUAL MEETING:
APRIL 8TH / 7:00PM

RPAC

[RPAC Facebook](#)

RPAC GENERAL MEETING – APRIL 8TH AT 7:00PM

The next RPAC (virtual) General Meeting will take place next Wednesday, April 8th at 7:00pm via Zoom. We will have a guest speaker, Superintendent Chris Kennedy. All are welcome and encouraged to join! The Link to join the meeting will be shared to families on Tuesday, April 7th.

RIDGEVIEW HOT LUNCH

Our Hot Lunch Program is not only convenient but is also one of the most important fundraisers for our school.

Thanks to our amazing team of volunteers, dedicated school staff, and supportive local vendors, **lunch is available daily.**

Order What You Want When You Want

You can order as much or as little as you like, and the best part?

All proceeds go directly toward important PAC initiatives that benefit our students and school community.

Ordering is done through [Munch a Lunch](#)

Ordering Deadline: Orders must be placed **8 days in advance.**

Let's make it a great year, one lunch at a time!

Reminder- Utensils are not provided for Hot Lunch (and not provided by the office). Please make sure to send cutlery with your child.

If you have any questions, please contact us at ridgeviewlunch@gmail.com.

Thank you for supporting Ridgeview through the Hot Lunch program!

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!

Join us on the Ridgeview Dragon Facebook page for the latest RPAC information, news and fundraiser efforts! [Click here to join!](#)

COMMUNITY

HOW WE SHARE COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

All local programs, events, and resources can be found [HERE](#).

WEST VANCOUVER BASKETBALL CLUB SPRING PROGRAM

The WVBC Spring Basketball Program begins April 7th and there are still some spaces available. This spring, the WVBC will be offering sessions for players in Grades 2-9. All sessions will be held at West Van Secondary. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>

WEST VAN FOOTBALL CLUB – SPRING ADAPTIVE SOCCER PROGRAM (AGES 5-16)

Our Adaptive soccer program is designed especially for neurodiverse players who are eager to explore the game of soccer in a fun, welcoming, and supportive environment.

Starting April 9th - 10 week program on Thursdays from 3:45 – 4:45pm

Visit [HERE](#) to Register (free jersey included with registration fee)