



# ROCKRIDGE

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CALENDAR UPDATE	
UPCOMING EVENTS	
May 16-20	AP Exams - Library Learning Commons
May 17	FESL - Celebration of Learning - 3:00 - 4:00pm
May 18	Gauss Math Contest (Grade 8) - 12:00 - 1:00 pm Library
May 18	Rockridge PAC AGM meeting via <a href="#">Zoom</a> - 5:30 pm
May 20	Pro D Day - Non-Instructional Day
Ongoing	Summer Learning Registration: <a href="#">Summer Learning Website</a>
<b>ROCKRIDGE WEBSITE</b> <a href="#">CALENDAR</a>	

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Happy Thursday Ravens! We are so pleased to invite you all to our FESL presentation taking place week May 17th at 3:00 at school. Our presentation highlights the last three years of work in our school to develop respect, responsibility and belonging. All are welcome to stop by and hear some of the student and staff stories of how we worked towards these valuable goals. We will have some snacks and coffee for those who are interested!

The week ahead is proving to be another busy one, more AP Exams all next week, our PAC AGM, and our Professional Development Day is coming up. Just a reminder, we know students tend to experience elevated stress and pressure at this time of year, please reach out to our counselling staff as we have lots of expertise and resources to help our learners as things ramp up. If your child prefers, they can reach out to any of our staff, and we will find support.

Finally, I would like to offer a quick thank you to our teachers. Our teachers really make a difference in the “weather systems” of our children’s day, every day. I see our teachers show our students where to look, but not what to see, and that truly makes this place special.

### NOT RETURNING NEXT YEAR? PLEASE LET US KNOW.

Families that are moving or have other school plans for the 2022-23 school year are asked to inform your Rockridge counsellor, so that we can have an accurate forecast of our class sizes and new admissions.

### CAREERS 8 AND 9

Please see the table below for upcoming Careers 8 and 9 activities. For the In-Person sessions being held during X-Block, students will report to their Period 1 classroom for attendance and then head to their sessions. Grade 9 students will meet in the Library and 8s in Player's Hall. Students in Academies and Pursuit can complete the work on their own time and do not need to attend. Thanks for supporting this class.

Careers 8		Careers 9	
Thu., May 19th	In Person Session - Player's Hall	Thu., May 19th	In Person Session - Library
Tue., May 31st	Online Class	Tue., May 31st	Online Class

## SCHOOL NEWS

### GRADE 8-11 AWARDS 2021-22

If a student would like to nominate themselves or a peer for a Major school award, please review the [descriptions](#) of the awards and then complete the appropriate form(s) linked below: (**Due:** May 13, 2022)

- Principal's Award of Merit - [nomination form](#)
- Caulfield Village Spirit Award - [nomination form](#)
- Morgan Backhouse award (gr 9 only) - [nomination form](#)
- Prestige Award - fine arts - [nomination form](#)
- Prestige Awards - athletics - [nomination form](#)
- Rock Solid Award - [nomination form](#)
- Service Award - [form](#)

### GRAD 2022!

- Commencement @ the Orpheum on Tuesday, May 31st, 6:00pm - 9:00pm
  - Please pay required student fees through school cash online.
  - Tickets for families and friends \$20 on sale next week)
- Banquet @ the Bayshore on Saturday, June 4th, 6pm - approx. 11pm (Grads should arrive by 5:45pm)
  - Tickets for grads, families and dates (\$145) on sale now through school cash online
  - Table assignment will take place via a google form starting May 9, 2022, to be completed by one designated person per table.
- Please note that required student fees and tickets for all parties sharing a table must be paid before table assignment can be completed)

**Note:** For assistance with accessing your [school cash online account](#), email [rockridge@wvschools.ca](mailto:rockridge@wvschools.ca).

**LANGARA'S EDUCATION ASSISTANT PROGRAM - Info Session May 17th 6-7:30 PM @ ILC**  
**INTERESTED IN A CAREER SUPPORTING CHILDREN OR ALREADY WORKING AS AN EDUCATION ASSISTANT IN WEST VANCOUVER? THIS INVITATION IS FOR YOU! - see attached**

**West Vancouver DPAC presents Chris Lewis - May 26th 7-9 PM - see attached poster**

In a candid, interview-style setting, Syeta'xtn will share his power of storytelling to address our community's history and First Peoples, while exploring equity, diversity and inclusion.

### **WVS Premier Baseball Academy OPEN HOUSE for Grades 8-12 students - Thurs, May 26 1:30 – 3:30**

Do you have a passion for baseball? Come on out to the Baseball Academy Open House and meet our outstanding coaching staff including WVS teacher and Head Coach, Mr. Brooks McNiven.

To register for The WVS Premier Baseball Academy FREE Open House ON-FIELD session click [here](#)  
Parents who register will have ongoing communication leading up to the Open House and following the session to ensure all parents are fully informed about this amazing program

Location: Parkgate Park 1300 Parkgate Ave, North Vancouver OR Inside Performance #2-1500 Railway, North Vancouver **\*The location will be confirmed closer to the day based on the weather.**

### **WVS Premier Rugby Academy OPEN HOUSE - ALL GENDERS! Gr 8-12 -Thurs, May 26 1:30 – 3:00**

Never thought of participating in the sport of Rugby? Now is your chance to change that perception. Please come out to the upcoming FREE Open House On-Field Session that encourages all genders and abilities. One of our district's goals is to ensure students continue to connect positively with their peers and the adults in their lives.

This academy coaching staff includes Head Coach, Mr. Curry Hitchborn (who is also the Head Coach of the UBC Thunderbirds Men's Rugby Team). As well, WVS Teacher and Assistant Coach, Mr. Perino Zambon, a high-performance Rugby Coach and a six-time AA Provincial Champion will also be on-field. Check us out! We guarantee that students who participate in this SAFE environment will leave the session with a very positive experience and new outlook on the sport of Rugby!

To register for the FREE on-field session click [here](#)

### **Online Registration Request Form for the 2022/23 Student Transportation is Open!**

All Returning & New students' parents/guardians must submit an online request form for their eligible student(s). In order to adhere to legislated requirements to maintain accurate bus lists, registration is required for bus riders.

Registration must occur prior to **July 15** of each year through an online request form on the district's website to be considered during the bus routing process. Click [here](#) to register

### **West Vancouver Community Initiatives**

#### **West Vancouver Basketball Club Summer Camps**

May is here which means that the WVBC Summer camps are just around the corner. This summer, the WVBC will be offering 4 weeks of camps beginning July 11 for players in Grades 2-10. All camps will be held at West Van Secondary School. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>.

### **RECURRING ITEMS**

#### **SchoolCash Online - Student Fees**

If you have not yet registered for SchoolCash Online, we can provide you with a PIN number to be used the first time you log in, when you will be prompted to register and create a login and password for future access. Please email [rockridge@wvschools.ca](mailto:rockridge@wvschools.ca) with your student's name and grade to request this PIN if you are not yet set up with an account. We thank you for keeping your account current.

### **West Vancouver Schools Emergency Communications**

Parents, if you did not receive a text message from School Messenger to opt-in to our emergency communications, please text "Y" or "Yes" to 978338 to ensure you are on the list

### **Policies & Procedures and Family Information Verification Forms 2021-2022**

This online form must be completed every year for each student. If you have not yet done this for the current year, please do so at your earliest convenience.

Account information does not change from one year to the next, and instructions are provided for password resets. Once logged in, you have the option to update the existing P+P form created last year or start a new one. Please complete the forms here: <https://eforms.sd45.bc.ca/Form/PandP>

### **Emergency Release Form**

This form was sent home with your child at the beginning of the school year. Please return this form as soon as possible so that we can complete our Emergency Preparedness Plan.

### **Excused Absences & Early Dismissal**

If a student is ill or will be late for school, parents are requested to inform the school by sending an email to [rockridge@wvschools.ca](mailto:rockridge@wvschools.ca) . Please include the student's full legal name and grade, time of Absence and Reason for Absence. Students arriving 'late' for class should proceed directly to their class and check in with the teacher who will modify the attendance to indicate 'late' rather than 'absent'.