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May 5, 2022

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CALENDAR UPDATE	
UPCOMING EVENTS	
May 2-20	AP Exams - Library Learning Commons
May 4-6	Grade 8 Camp Summit - Squamish
Ongoing	Summer Learning Registration: Summer Learning Website
ROCKRIDGE WEBSITE CALENDAR	

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Happy Thursday Ravens, I hope this bulletin finds you and your families well. We have had another exceptional week here at Rockridge, with AP exams in progress, award nominations closing soon, grad events coming up, student sports and athletics, and planning for next year well underway there is a lot going on! Just a reminder that May 20th is a school based Professional Development Day there will be no classes.

We are so pleased to invite you all to our FESL presentation on 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 stories of how we worked towards these valuable goals. Finally, I would like to offer a quick thank you to our coaches and athletes as well as to all the staff and students involved in the Grade 8 Camp Summit event!

Please continue to note... Trenching construction is still ongoing on Headland Drive so walking to school is a great alternative, to avoid the congestion and stress that the added school traffic brings. Carpooling or drop off locations other than the front of the school will also help. Thank you in advance!

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
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Thu., May 5th	Online Class	Thu., May 5th	Online Class
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)

- Principles 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
 - 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)
- See the attached "First Announcement" for further details.

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

ROCKRIDGE Fine Arts & Applied Skills WISHLIST

The Art department is gratefully accepting the following items:

- Fashion Magazines (New or Dated)
- Needle felting wool
- Embroidery hoops
- Zippers
- Plastic Take Out Containers and small sauce containers with lids
- Small Jars - Baby Food size
- Chocolate boxes with inserts

2022-2023 CARPENTRY: YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES APPLICATIONS ARE STILL OPEN

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

WVS Premier Field Hockey Academy OPEN HOUSE for students in Grades 8-12

Calling all students (female & male) who have an interest in or already participate in the sport of Field Hockey. The WVS Premier Field Hockey Academy is hosting a FREE ON-FIELD Session Thursday, May 12 from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. at Rutledge Field in Ambleside.

Come experience a session by WVFHC Technical Director & Canadian U18 Men's National Team Head Coach, Mr. Geoff Matthews, along with his top coaches. We will also follow up with a short Parent Information session at the field.

To register for the FREE on-field session please go to our website:

<https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/field-hockey>

WVS Premier Baseball Academy OPEN HOUSE for students in Grades 8-12

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.

The WVS Premier Baseball Academy is hosting a FREE Open House ON-FIELD session Thursday, May 26 from 1:30 – 3:30:

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.**

To register for the FREE on-field session please go to our website:

<https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/baseball>

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.

WVS Premier Rugby Academy OPEN HOUSE for students in Grades 8-12

The sport of Rugby is a safe, fun, and exciting sport for all genders and abilities. The District's Rugby Academy has been in operation for five years and students have thrived in the positive and engaging environment. We are fortunate to have Curry Hitchborn (head coach of the UBC Men's Rugby team) as the Academy head coach and his main priority is to ensure that students connect with their peers, while focusing on individual skill development. 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!

Check out the FREE on-field session, Thursday, May 26 from 1:30 – 3:00 at Ambleside all-weather turf.

To register for the FREE on-field session, please go to our website:

<https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/rugby>

Community Initiatives

Community language offerings via the West Vancouver Community Centre

WV Community Centre and Enhance West Van are offering multiple language courses meant for parents and student. Languages offered:

French (for teens and adults)

Russian (for teens and adults)

Korean (basics for kids, youth and adults)

Persian (class for everyone)

West Vancouver Police Department Speed Watch program

Speed Watch is conducted in partnership with police, citizen volunteers, and ICBC. Speed Watch road checks are operated by trained volunteers who monitor speeds, particularly school and playground zones, and work in conjunction with police to make our community safe. These volunteer opportunities are primarily weekdays between 8:00am and 3:00pm with flexible scheduling.

If you or your friends are interested, or would like to know more, please contact Cpl. Trevor Griffith at TrevorGriffith@wvpd.ca or 604 925-7300.

North Shore Day of Hope

On Saturday, May 7th from 12:30 to 3:30 pm, Carson Graham Secondary in North Vancouver will be hosting a *Day of Hope and Welcome*. All displaced and protected refugee families new to the North Shore are invited to take part in this endeavour. Refreshments will be served, and a local production house has donated their entire inventory of clothing, shoes, etc. to support the cause. Families will be able to “browse and select” items. Carson Graham Secondary school is located at 2145 Jones Avenue in North Vancouver.

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 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 . 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'.