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Sept 11, 2025

ROCKRIDGE LINKS:

[Rockridge Secondary School website](#)

[WV School District Website](#)

[Follow Rockridge Secondary on Instagram](#)

[Morning Announcements](#) - *this is a great link to use and save for students and parents/guardians.*

Information at this link is updated daily by 8:30am.

CALENDAR UPDATE	
Thurs, Sept 11	MEET THE TEACHER CURRICULAR EVENING - TONIGHT 5 - 7:30PM
Mon, Sept 15	•
Tues, Sept 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FAST Kayaking Field Trip 2:00 – 6:30 pm• Rockridge PAC Meeting 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Wed, Sept 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Outdoor Rec Backpacking Trip-Garibaldi Sept 17 – 19• Mentorship Retreat Sept 17 – 18
Thurs, Sept 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FAST Grouse Mtn Adventure 2:00 – 6:00pm• Indigenous Family Welcome Back to School BBQ 4:00 – 6:00pm
Fri, Sept 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Music Department Welcome BBQ 4:30 – 7:00pm
UPCOMING	
FULL ROCKRIDGE WEBSITE CALENDAR with BLOCK ROTATIONS	
2025-26 At A Glance Calendar	
West Vancouver Schools Registration click HERE	
WV Youth Services click here	

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I hope you are planning to visit Rockridge tonight for our Meet the Teacher and Curricular Evening. All you need to know prior to attending was emailed home yesterday. The main thing for parents/guardians to do before arriving is having a copy, or photo of your child's schedule so you can follow the block order to see the correct teachers at the right time. Our teachers are an incredible team and I am extremely proud of the work that they do here at The Rock to engage and support student learning and excellence. I look forward to you meeting our staff in person to make a personal connection for the year ahead.

You will notice below that we are only at 46% completion rate for our student forms. Please take a moment to review the following information if you are part of our missing 54%.

Today's *Raven Life attachment to this email* includes a couple great pics of school life at The Rock from today, as well as upcoming ROPAC and community events. Thank you for your time and support to help make your Raven's start up in 2025-26 a success.

PARENT/GUARDIANS TO DO TODAY: Thank you for the strong start of respondents who have completed the two forms required for each of our students. As shared last week, to ensure a safe and successful start to the school year, we ask you to complete two important forms for each student in your household. One is reviewing, making any updates to, and signing the single paper form called the **Student Verification Form**, which students were asked to bring home on the first day of school. The second form is the **Online Policies & Procedures Form**; <https://eforms.sd45.bc.ca/Form/PandP> Both forms must be submitted in the first days of the year. Without them, your child's participation in activities both in and outside of the classroom will be limited. Thus far we have **46%** of students' P&P consent successfully submitted online.

If you have not yet completed these please see the attached letter called *2025-2026 Required Annual Parent/Guardian Forms Communication* for full details. In addition, if your student(s) is to be absent from school or requires an early dismissal for an appointment, the procedure is to email rockridge@wvschools.ca with the full student name, grade, and reason for absence/dismissal. This will ensure that the absence is noted as excused and you will not receive an email/voicemail alert regarding the absence.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS?

If there are any changes to address, legal custody, or citizenship status, please upload documentation to support the changes using [THIS LINK](#) and email rockridge@wvschools.ca to inform us of the change and document upload. Any changes will not be reflected in the student database until the documentation is submitted.

ROCKRIDGE SCHOOL NEWS

Terry Fox School Run - Today in FIT

2025 marks our 15th consecutive year hosting this event. We are still accepting cash, tap and online donations from now through to the end of September. Donate here - [Rockridge Terry Fox School Run](#) Thank you to the Conquer Cancer Club and Leadership students for hosting the event. You'll also be able to donate when you attend today for our Meet the Teacher and Curricular Evening.

Clubs Day Monday, September 22, 2025

Students, please use this Google Classroom code: **5urvbgp** to view all club activities and events, fill out a request for fundraising, check fundraising schedules and any other information that might be relevant to your club.

To register your club for the Clubs Day Event, complete: [Google Form](#)

LOCKERS - Lockers have been assigned to all grade 8 students. Students in Grade 9 to 12 can sign up for a locker through the link in their Grad Class Google classroom. Lockers will be assigned and distributed each Friday throughout September.

SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION 2025-26 – Questions - transportation@wvschools.ca

Students taking the school bus are required to [Register](#): The district has secured only enough buses to accommodate the number of students that have been registered for the service, and we need to ensure that all riders are able to secure a seat. Please ensure you have registered so that no students are

turned away.

Lions Bay Bus Departure Time 'NEW' - leaving Rockridge at 3:02 PM daily for the 2025-26 school year.

For details on eligibility, routes, and service guidelines, please visit our Student Transportation webpage: [Student Transportation Information](#)

Hello Rockridge Students and Families, From GRADS BC

Thank you for participating in **School Photos!** *If you have questions regarding the information below, please contact GradsBC directly: info@gradsbc.com. or call 604-461-3722 Mon to Fri 8:30am to 4:30pm.*

Your child received a QR code slip on photo day that contains important information to view and order your photos:

4 Easy Steps to View & Order Your Portraits:

1. *If you previously scanned the QR code*, you would have already received an email with a link to view your gallery
2. Enter the Gallery Passcode: rkr123!
3. Enter your Email Address
4. Enter your Online Code

*If you are ordering for siblings, remember to click 'view another gallery' to access their portraits and purchase all family members at once for one easy checkout.

Lost QR Code Slip & Need Assistance?

1. Visit this link: <https://vando.imagequix.com/N9X659C>
2. Enter your Online code: Your Student ID Number and 2-digit DAY of birth. Example: if your student number is 00123 and you were born on January 3rd, the online code is 0012303.
**The code can also be found on the QR code sheet that you were given on photo day. You can scan the QR code to easily access your gallery.*
3. Enter the Gallery password: rkr123!
4. Enter your Email Address

Order deadline Information: To receive discounted shipping fees, place your orders on or before the Order Deadline (the deadline date will be listed on the gallery welcome message).

Retakes? We're positive you rocked your first photo session... but just in case you decide to have a retake, we'll be back on September 23, 2025.

Join Student Council – Applications Now Open!

Want to make a difference at our school, plan exciting events, and be a voice for your peers? Rockridge Student Council is looking for motivated students to join our team! It's a great way to get involved in an engaging extracurricular activity, meet new people, and build leadership skills, while also earning school service hours. Applications are due by September 12th and can be completed [here](#).

OTHER ACTION ITEMS FOR ROCKRIDGE PARENTS/GUARDIANS

MYED BC Parent Portal - Accessing your child's timetable

If you have not done so already please visit the [MyEd Parent Portal](#) where you will find instructions on registering your MyEdBC parent portal account. You only need to do this once when you first begin in WV Schools. Each parent or guardian has their own separate account. Your child's **schedule** and **learning updates** are accessed in MyEd, so parent access is essential for supporting your child's learning and success at Rockridge.

Trouble logging in? - Click on the [School District's My Ed Family Portal Page](#)

If you have further questions, please email Rockridge@wvschools.ca

A GREAT WAY TO SUPPORT YOUR STUDENT: Sharing this again this week as it is such a helpful activity to engage in regularly with your Rockridge Raven.

Parents do not have access to Google Classrooms (GC), however, we feel it is important to review your child's GC regularly with them so that they can inform you about their classes, learning and upcoming or incomplete assignments. This looks like sitting down with your child at their laptop and having them open and scroll through their GC. A helpful thing for parents and guardians to see this week are the Grade Level (or Grad Class Google Classroom) for Homeroom Presentations from Opening Week. Each Rockridge student should be a member of their Grad year Google Classroom. If your child is not already connected, they can join using the following codes:

Grad Class of 2030 (Current grade 8's): pr5xsotl

Grad Class of 2029 (Current grade 9's): ecuxnrk

Grad Class of 2028 (Current grade 10's): 77pe2df

Grad Class of 2027 (Current grade 11's): 2xp55nq

Grad Class of 2026 (Current Grade 12's): ibcy3ua

OPTIONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE for Families

West Vancouver Schools reminds families each year that personal injury or accident costs are not covered by the district or its insurance provider. To help protect against expenses from accidental injury, unexpected medical costs, or critical illness, families have the option to purchase voluntary accident insurance plans. A variety of providers offer different levels of coverage, so families are encouraged to review their options carefully and choose a plan that best meets their needs.

FEEDING FUTURES

As part of the Ministry of Education and Childcare [Feeding Futures initiative](#), the West Vancouver School District has established a food security structure to confidentially assist students and families. The West Vancouver School District Food Security Plan will help students and families by providing confidential financial support for families facing food insecurity. Families are encouraged to reach out directly to Mr. Kolkea tkolkea@wvschools.ca or to feedingfutures@wvschools.ca if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect, and confidentiality.

ROCKRIDGE PAC NEWS

Meet the Teacher TONIGHT!

Rockridge is excited to welcome parents and guardians to **Meet the Teachers Curriculum Night** on Thursday, September 11 from 5-7:30 pm. This is a great opportunity to connect with the incredible educators supporting your child, explore our learning spaces, and get a closer look at the academic and extracurricular programs Rockridge has to offer.

Come early and grab dinner from the Indish Food Truck, which will be on site starting at 4 pm.

Be sure to stop by the **PAC Welcome Table** outside the school entrance. We'll be there to greet you, answer questions about the PAC, and share info on how to stay connected and get involved this year.

September PAC Meeting

Join us for our first PAC meeting of the 2025-26 year on Tues, September 16th, 6:30 pm, in the Learning Commons. Principal Trevor Kolkea will be our speaker, sharing exciting plans and updates for the year ahead at Rockridge. Find the agenda [here](#).

Follow ROPAC on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)

To join our Parent Info and P2P groups, please click this [link](#) to email us at with the following information:

- o Your name
- o Your child(ren)'s name(s) & grade(s)
- o Your phone number
- o Which group(s) you'd like to join (ROPAC and/or P2P)

ROCKRIDGE ATHLETICS

Fall Sports: Boys Soccer, Swim Team, Cross Country, Field Hockey, Girls Volleyball, Bantam Boys Rugby



If you are looking to keep up with our Raven Athletics Events, just scroll through our [Morning Announcements](#). The second page of the announcements is dedicated to Raven Athletics teams, schedules, upcoming events and results. The **Raven Life** will also feature highlights from our Rockridge Athletics teams. Follow us on Instagram **@Rockridge.Ravens.Athletics**

We are always looking for passionate individuals who want to create positive experiences for our student athletes. If you are keen to volunteer your time as a coach or assistant or have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to our Athletic Director Mr. Brychan Williams bwilliams@wvschools.ca **Go Ravens!**








ROCKRIDGE COMMUNITY NEWS

For "**Community Connections**" including local North Shore programs, events, and resources click [HERE](#)

Backstage Pass: Kay Meek Arts Centre Open House Sun, Sept 21st | 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

 We're giving you a Backstage Pass to the Kay Meek! It's time to go behind the scenes at our @bcculturedays Open House  Entry is Free

Experience the Kay Meek as you've never seen it before, as we open up our backstage areas for you to explore and give you the opportunity to take to the stage.

-  Take a look around our theatres
-  Sing your favourite karaoke songs on stage
-  Live jazz music from the @pressley.murillo.music Trio
-  Enter our Ticket Giveaway
-  Find out more about the Kay Meek
-  Meet the team
-  Refreshments in our sunny atrium

Join us for a lively afternoon of music, conversation, and family-friendly activities in your local community!

COUNSELLORS' CORNER

West Vancouver Schools Counselling

At West Vancouver Schools, we acknowledge the importance of high school course selection, post-secondary guidance and the role of schools in supporting improved student mental health outcomes. We maintain a collaborative website with the counselling teams from Rockridge, Sentinel and West Vancouver Secondary. In this website there are an abundance of resources for students that will help guide them to whatever level of education they desire: from grade school to graduate school. You can find the [Counselling site](#) under the DEPARTMENT tab on the [Rockridge Secondary School website](#).

FOUNDRY Drop In Counselling @ Rockridge - Tuesdays 1:00 - 4:30 pm

- Located in the office beside the counselling area
- For more info: Shannon 236 558 2489

Foundry is a province-wide network of integrated health and wellness services for young people ages 12-24. Their integrated services make it possible for young people to access five core services in one convenient location: mental health care, substance use services, physical and sexual health care, youth and family peer support, and social services. For more information, please visit the [Integrated Youth Services website](#).

FAMILY SMART Monthly Events - [LINK](#) - Online & In-Person for Parents and Caregivers 2025.

Federal Mental Health/Suicide Crisis helpline: 9-8-8 Call or Text

You deserve to be heard. A safe space to talk, 24 hours a day, every day of the year. <https://988.ca/>

Mental Health and Substance Use: A Resource for Educators and School Communities

[Language Matters! An Introductory Guide for Understanding Mental Health and Substance Use: A](#)

[Resource for Educators and School Communities](#) is now officially available on the [mental health and well-being](#) erase website.

FAQ & HELPFUL INFORMATION

STUDENT PARKING AT ROCKRIDGE

Parking is available for Senior Students (Priority is given to Grade 12) in the Upper Lot east of the Gym. Students must complete a parking [Registration form](#), noting vehicle details, insurance expiry, obtain parent signature and submit to the office. The \$25 decal fee must be paid through [School Cash Online](#). Once the form is returned and payment completed, we can issue a decal.

Note: At no time are students permitted to park in Visitor or Staff designated spots

ATTENDANCE - Notifying the Office and Extended Absences

If you know your student will not be in attendance for all, or part of a school day, we ask that you please let our office know in advance - rockridge@wvschools.ca If your student will be arriving late, leaving early, or missing part of the day, please include approximate times of arrival and dismissal in your email. Please include your child's first and last name and reason for absence in your email.

Daily attendance is critical to ensure student success here at Rockridge. We do not recommend absences during the school term but realize they may be unavoidable. Please keep in mind that certain classroom activities and assessments may not be able to be made up if missed.

Please notify the school a minimum of one week in advance using this [form](#) for an extended absence. Teachers are not required to provide extra classes, make-up tests or specific work to be completed.

ROCKRIDGE CALENDAR

- This is a very helpful resource to access for daily block rotations and school events.
- Please click the following link to access the [FULL ROCKRIDGE WEBSITE CALENDAR](#)
- Then click *Subscribe* in the task bar above the calendar.
- Please ask your child if they have subscribed as well!

SMS for Parents/Guardians:

Parents and guardians have an option to receive text messages for school emergencies or other important alerts: Part of the WV Schools communication system allows families to opt into receiving important information additionally by text. For parents/guardians who would like to be notified of a school emergency such as power outages, severe weather or safety alerts via SMS please text a "Y" or "Yes" to 978338 to ensure you are on the list.

School Drop Off/Pick Up Safety

As you are probably aware, there can be heavy traffic around our school site at opening and dismissal times. It is difficult for vehicles to enter and exit our school parking areas as well as the Caulfeild Mall. The passage of emergency vehicles would be impeded which is of considerable concern. Please consider carpooling, dropping off and picking up your children at a predetermined location away from the school property, and encouraging active transportation (biking, walking). Another helpful action, if possible, for those that have to drive is dropping off your child early. An 8:00 AM arrival is always a great plan and chance to hang in the cafeteria, get some work done at a hallway workstation, or connect with a teacher.

Please note that designated visitor parking spaces at the front of the school are a 'no parking' zone in the morning and after school. The driveway in front of the school entrance is a NO STOPPING zone. All numbered parking spaces are designated for individual staff members. Please do not park in these spaces at any time during school hours.

ATTENTION DOG WALKERS

The Rockridge sports field is a Classroom space, used by classes and teams, especially now that spring has arrived. There has been a large amount of Dog Poop that is not only a distraction and slipping hazard, but also a health issue. We remind our community members that West Vancouver Bylaw prohibits dogs on the field and thank you for your cooperation in respecting this outdoor classroom space. *We would appreciate it if you would pass this on to other community members who should have this