

A Weekly Update of School Information For Parents and Guardians

November 19, 2020

This information bulletin includes several updates for families:

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1. Student Report Cards - Tuesday, November 24, 2020 @ 4:00pm

Parents will be able to access Student Report Cards classes for your child(ren) on the family portal Tuesday November 24, 2020 at 4:00pm. This report card will include Quarter 1 Final Marks and Term 1 Marks for Linear classes.

Family Portal Important Notes:

- Log In Before November 24 Please log on to your account this week to ensure you can access. This will ensure you will be able to see your child's report card when it is posted.
 - o Family Portal Link: https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do
 - Logging-In Quick Guide
 - Video Log In/Password Recovery How to Video
- Username/Password/Password Recovery You are encouraged to record your username and password somewhere that you keep this information. Further, confirm you have set up your 'password recovery' function to allow you to reset your own password.
 - o Password Recovery Guide
 - Video Log In/Password Recovery How to Video
- Family Portal Resources
 - Video Log In/Password Recovery How to Video
 - o Guide Family Portal Basic Navigation Guide

If you need support with your family portal account please email wvssportalhelp@wvschools.ca

2. Hybrid Classes: Information

Group A and B

Families should be aware that the assignment of students to group "A or B" in hybrid classes will change every quarter. There is a considerable amount of high-level thinking that teachers put into the creation of these groups that must reflect health and safety protocols, cohort groupings, school resources, and

class size and composition. Once these groups have been created, there is little opportunity for teachers to make changes.

Student Availability

With a fast-paced quarter system, it is paramount that students who are in Hybrid classes are available to meet virtually with their teacher and classmates during their assigned online times, which are during regular school hours. Students are expected to be online and engaged in their course during these offsite days and times. Work and other activities should be scheduled around the normal school day to ensure the highest possibility of academic success.

3. Class of 2021 Grad Photos!

Edge Imaging is ready to take Grad Photos for the class of 2021. The individual photos are featured in the Yearbook and the annual WVSS Grad Composite displayed in the halls at WVSS. Individual Graduation Portrait sessions are available for booking now from **Saturday, November 21 to Thursday, November 26.** The studio is located at 15 Victoria Drive, Vancouver. Appointments can be booked online HERE – Scroll to the bottom of the screen and search for "West Vancouver Secondary School". Then click "Senior Grad Sitting" and book your appointment. More times will open up as required.

4. Grad Wear: Order Now

GET YOUR GRADWEAR- order a Grad 2021 hoodie for \$55.00 + tax and Sweatpants for \$29.95 + tax Order online at https://urstore.ca/group/wvss-grad-gear-shop **Deadline to order is November 27**th

Join us on Instagram @ wvssgrad1021 for more grad updates.

5. WVSS Spirit Wear Order Forms Available Now

Spirit Wear Order forms are here! The school store, The Highlander Hut, is offering clothing, swag and school spirit items for the next few weeks. Forms can be picked up at North and South Campus, and returned with either Cash or Cheque (made out to "West Vancouver Secondary School") to either the main office or Ms McKee (imckee@wvschools.ca). On-line ordering and payment will hopefully be an option in the Spring as the School Store staff continues to adapt to the ever-changing business landscape.

Pre-Christmas stock will be limited so order ASAP! Go Highlander!!

Order Form

6. \$25 PAC Optional Donation - School Cash Online

The Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) would like to thank West Vancouver Secondary School parents who make the annual contribution to WVSS PAC to support your children in both the classroom and in extra-curricular and sporting activities. The 2020/2021 PAC \$25 voluntary contribution will be available **Monday, October 12th** on the **School Cash Online**. Outlined in the attachment is a list of some of the things the PAC supported last year. To allow us to continue with this support this year, please include the \$25 PAC Optional Donation on your School Cash Online fee payment. Your donations enhance your child's school experience in so many ways. Your \$25 PAC donation works alongside the BC Gaming Grant funds that the PAC applies for each year.

For more information please read the following:

- PAC Optional Donation Information (English)
- PAC Optional Donation Information (Chinese)
- PAC Optional Donation Information (Farsi)

7. Counselling Corner: Post Secondary Virtual Visits

Gr. 12 students-please check your CLC 12 Google Classroom for the links

- Nov 20th & 21st Capilano University 8:30am-9:00pm & UBC Faculty of Land & Food Systems Admission Overview @4pm-5pm
- Nov 20th Queen's U Engineering Open House 3pm-6pm
- Nov 21st -University of Edinburgh 5am-8am & Queen's U Bader International 1st Year Program in England for BC students @10AM & UKing's College Halifax-1pm-2:30pm
- Nov 23rd Performing Arts Institution Fair (US & Canada) @ 4pm-7pm & Queen's U internship Program for 2nd & 3rd year of undergraduate studies 4pm-5pm
- Nov 24th Ryerson for SD45 students-@1pm-2pm & UBC Pharmacy Info Session @ 6pm-7:30pm Queen's U Presentation @6pm-7pm
- Nov 25th Acadia University @7pm-8pm
 Nov 26th Griffith U-in Australia direct entry programs in Law, Medicine, Physio@ 4pm-5pm,
 Western University @ 4pm-5pm Queen's U Transitioning from High School 1st year @ 6pm-7pm

8. School Cash Online

School fees are available online and we are asking fees to be paid online through School Cash. The direct link to the program is http://westvancouver.schoolcashonline.com

All parents/guardians were sent an e-mail with their student's PIN. If you did not receive the e-mail with your child's PIN, please contact Mrs. Madill so that you can access this program.

9. West Vancouver Senior's Activity Center: Feed the Need Initiative

The West Vancouver Senior's Activity Centre has received a matching grant from the West Vancouver Foundation. The Ian and Rosemary Mottershead Fund will match all donations up to \$100,000 to the Food Security Program for vulnerable seniors. Matching donations must be made before December 31, 2020. For more information click here.

10. Stay Informed: Keep Your Address & Contact Information Up to Date!

All Parents and Guardians will receive this e-bulletin by email each Thursday and we hope you will make it part of your routine to browse through it and keep up to date on school information and upcoming events. In addition, the student absence system makes contact daily by telephone to alert parents of unexcused absences. From time to time the school will also send documents and information to homes by regular mail. To ensure that you stay informed in all of these ways, please contact the school office and let us know if you change your email, phone contact information or move to a new address.

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