



WVSS Information Bulletin

A Weekly Update of School Information For Parents and Guardians

February 4, 2021

This information bulletin includes several updates for families:

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2. No School in Session: District-Wide Reading Break & Family Day Holiday
3. Counselling Corner
4. \$25 PAC Optional Donation
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1. 2021-22 Secondary Schedule - Parent Survey.

A reminder that the parent survey is still open and will close on Wednesday February 10th. This anonymous survey is designed to collect feedback about your parental/guardian experience with the Quarter System this year, and allows you to provide input into determining the structure and organization of the secondary school timetables for 2021/2022.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N9G7QMG>

2. February 12 & 15: District-Wide Reading Break & Family Day Holiday

Parents and guardians are reminded that students are not in session next Friday, February 12 for the district Reading Break **and** Monday, February 15 for the Family Day Holiday.

All classes resume as usual on Tuesday, February 16.

Please Note: when there is a 4-day week, Wednesday afternoon is no longer fully remote for grade 10-12 hybrid classes. Some students in hybrid classes will be doing in person instruction. Teachers will advise their students who should be in attendance for Feb 10th and Feb 17th.

3. Counselling Corner:

- **Course Planning for 2021/2022 School Year**
Counsellors will be visiting classes in February for course selections for next year. PowerPoint presentations for parents and course sheet information are available on the link below. <https://westvancouver.ca/westvancouver-secondary/students/course-selection-guide/>
- **Upcoming Post Secondary Virtual Visits: Gr. 12's can find links in their google classroom**
February 5th: Carleton University Industrial Design Portfolio Day, 10am-12pm
February 9th: SFU-BC Applicant Info Session, 5pm-6pm
February 10th: Ways to Pay for School Info Session, 1pm-2pm
February 11th: Study and Go Abroad Fair, 12pm-6pm
February 11th: UNBC-Future Student Info Session for SD45, 5pm-5:30pm
February 11th: Justice Institute of B.C. Law Enforcement Studies, 7pm-8:30pm

- **Scholarships**

Gr. 12's, please see the Counselling website for information on School Based Scholarship and external scholarships. Students can also visit the counselling office for more information.

- **Graduates**

Starting next week, all grads will be ordering their cap and gowns in their CLC 12 classes. Please make sure that you attend the next scheduled CLC class so that you can order yours. Check Google Classroom for class dates.

4. \$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 is available 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 \(Farsi\)](#)

5. Student Fees - 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.schoolcashionline.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. Please pay your school fees before March 31st, 2021.

6. Yearbook 2020/2021 Available for Purchase

Parents, do you ever look through your high school yearbooks and reminisce on the events and memories that you made when you were the same age as your kids? Isn't it such an amazing feeling to travel back in time simply through a book? Well if so, create the same experience for your children and purchase the yearbook. It will be something that your children will cherish for a long time, just like you have.

Order your yearbooks today! - <https://westvancouver.schoolcashionline.com/>

7. West Vancouver Schools Premier Academies and District Programs

For a detailed list of Academies and Programs being offered by West Vancouver Schools for the 2021-2022 school year, please follow the link <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/> and click on the District Programs pull down. Beginning the first week of February, links to each program's Virtual Open House

will be provided on the respective websites. The Open House video will enable parents and students to hear detailed information from the various coaches and instructors on prerequisites, schedules, fees, and registration procedures.

8. 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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