

A Weekly Update of School Information For Parents and Guardians

March 4, 2021

This information bulletin includes several updates for families:

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1. Ministry of Education 2021 Student Learning Survey – Grade 10 & 12 Parent Survey Information

Grade 10 and 12 Parents: The Student Learning Survey 2020/2021 is to be completed by April 30th http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey

The Provincial Student Learning Survey gathers information on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective. The Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 10 and 12, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff.. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province. The survey is simple and secure and can be accessed by selecting the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the Results section.

2. WVSS PAC GENERAL MEETING - All welcome - Tuesday March 9th @ 9am

When? Tuesday, March 9th @ 9am via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/69030498211?pwd=OWJWU2lrcUFsQUYvbkExU0U0dXNJZz09

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Find your local number: https://ca01web.zoom.us/u/ghZ7i1K3R

3. Counselling Corner:

Course Selections: Course selections for next year have been completed. Students should ensure their course selection sheets are handed in to the counselling office for verification.

Course Selection Verifications: Parents and students can verify their course selections in the family portal on My Ed. Please see _____ for a visual on how to do so.

Post-Secondary Virtual Visit

Sat, March 9th, 9am-10am, UK University Info Session for North America, register link https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_SEbGLee8Rwu6GbePgiBW4g?mc_cid=5e255aa69f&mc_eid=UNIQID

Gr. 12's School Based Scholarships: The deadline to apply for School Based Scholarships is Friday, March 5th @ 3pm.Please see the Counselling website for the application information. https://wvsscounselling.weebly.com/wvss-school-based-scholarships.html

4. Grade 12's and Graduation Updates

Cap & Gown Deadline: March 5, see your CLC 12 teacher to place your order.

Grad Yearbook Deadline: March 5, see your CLC 12 Google Classroom for link or here: https://tinyurl.com/yh535glg

Grad Photos and Edge Imaging: Have questions about School or Grad photos? Need help with Photos? Contact **Jordan Kirk, Service representative** directly by phone or email.

Cell: 778-899-4116 Email: jkirk@edgeimaging.ca

5. Grade 10 Literacy Assessment: April 12-15, 2021

All WVSS Grade 10 students will be writing the Grade 10 Literacy Assessment April 12-15th at West Vancouver Secondary school. *Please avoid any planned absences that week.* This assessment is required for graduation purposes. Sample exams, videos and more information can be found here: https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/literacy-assessment/grade-10-literacy-assessment.

6. Wondering what is going to be in the yearbook this year?

With only a limited number of yearbooks, everyone needs to hurry up and order! First come, first serve. You do not want to lose the chance of having one of these memorable and fantastically organized books.

Available now: https://westvancouver.schoolcashonline.com/

7. WV Premier Sports Academies & District Programs - REGISTRATIONS!

Don't Miss Out! WVS Premier Sports Academies & District Programs are looking for REGISTRATIONS for the 2021-2022 school year. For information about all our academies & programs, visit https://westvancouverschools.ca/ and click on the drop-down menus for detailed information.

Spots Still Available for 2021-2022 Sports Academy Programs: Baseball, Fencing, Field Hockey, Rugby, and Soccer

Spots Still Available for 2021-2022 District Programs: 200-Hour Yoga Teacher Training, Youth Train in Trades, Environmental Science, Fashion Industry, Honour Choir, Outdoor Recreation, & YELL (Young Entrepreneurship and Leadership Launchpad)

This Week's Program Highlight:

WVS Premier Yoga Teacher Training Program

The district's 200 Hour Yoga Teacher Training program that provides students with two courses through participation. Students will acquire the tools and skills needed to effectively and safely teach yoga to all levels of students. We follow the guidelines set by the Yoga Alliance. For more information or to register visit http://westvancouverschools.ca/200-hour-yoga-teacher-training or email Mariam Pirbhai mpirbhai@wvschools.ca.

8. Talking About Inclusion, Anti-Racism & Diversity

A WVDPAC sponsored Virtual Community Event Featuring Alden Habacon. Please see the attachment for registration details.

9. Parents As Education and Career Coaches

Virtual Zoom Session is being held on Wednesday, March 10th from 6:30-8:00 pm. Registration is required, please see the attachment for details.

10. \$25 PAC Optional Donation - School Cash Online

The Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) would like to thank WVSS 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**. 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)

11. Student Fees - School Cash Online

School fees are available online and we are asking for payment 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. Please pay your school fees before March 31st, 2021.

12. Host Families Needed!

Apply now to welcome a student for the 2021/2022 school year, you will receive \$1,100 compensation per month. Call Martina Brazeau for more information: 604.341.0501 or apply to host: https://westvancouverschools.ca/international/for-families/

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

All Parents and Guardians will be emailed this e-bulletin weekly to keep you up to date with our school information and upcoming events. Our Student absence system will make daily contact by telephone or email to alert parents of unexcused absences. Occasionally, we do 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.

14. West Vancouver Little League Spring Season – Registration is open



Everyone is welcome! Ages 5-16 https://wvll.ca/registration/#regular-season

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