



WVSS Special Information Bulletin

June 29, 2023

This information bulletin includes a few updates for families:

1. WVSS Staff Updates & Well wishes from Mr. Rauh
2. WVS Summer School In Person Registration - Secondary - June 30th
3. PAC Staff Lunch Thank you!
4. Minister of Education and Childcare Message to Parents
5. Opening Schedule and Information for School Start 2023-2024

1. WVSS Staff Updates and Well Wishes from Mr. Rauh

Good morning Highlander families and students,

We hope this email finds you looking forward to the summer! At this time we wanted to share with you a few staffing changes that will take effect in September 2023.

After two years as Vice Principal at WVSS, Mr. Dave Moroz has decided to return to the classroom and will be teaching 7 blocks of math with us next year. We sincerely thank Mr. Moroz for his time with us as Vice Principal and we appreciate the relationships he created with staff, students, and families. We consider ourselves very fortunate that he will remain at WVSS as a teacher doing the work that he really missed and loved doing.

We welcome Ms. Jennifer Towers as our new Vice Principal. Ms. Towers is an educational leader and current Vice Principal at Rockridge. We look forward to her joining our staff as she has a strong knowledge of the International Baccalaureate program and has a highly regarded reputation with all those who have had the good fortune of working with her. Welcome to WVSS!

This year we have a number of retirees. West Vancouver Secondary School is indeed privileged to have had the opportunity to work, learn, and grow alongside these educators and we certainly wish them all the very best in health, happiness, and adventure as they shift into their well-deserved retirement. They are:

Mr. Todd Ablett
Mrs. Kathy Finch

Mr. Bill Keary
Mrs. Michelle Passant
Mrs. Jennifer Shin
Ms. Jackie Wong

To our graduating students and families, congratulations and we wish you nothing short of continued success. We hope that you keep in touch and let us know what you are up to! To our returning and new families, we hope you have a wonderful and rejuvenating summer, and we look forward to seeing you all again in September!

With regard,
Steve Rauh

2. West Vancouver Schools Summer Learning School - In Person Registration for Secondary Courses

West Vancouver Schools Summer Learning will be holding an **in-person late registration** session for all secondary courses with available space on **Friday, June 30 from 10:00 – 11:00 am** at the Inglewood Learning Center meeting room, which is located at 1735 Inglewood Avenue (the eastern portable at the bottom of the West Vancouver Secondary School campus). Please see this [Summer School In Person Attachment](#) for all the details!

3. WVSS Staff Thank you for PAC Appreciation Lunch on June 28

WVSS staff were thrilled and grateful for the outstanding Annual Appreciation Lunch provided by you, our Highlanders families, on June 28th. We truly loved the variety of food and the visual display and quantity of food was incredible. WVSS staff also wish to extend sincere thank you to our devoted and hardworking PAC executive who make a positive and lasting impact in our school everyday. A special thank you to the 'graduating' members of PAC including Lorna Zebedee, Carrie Haver, and Hoon Choi for their many years of service.

4. Minister of Education and Childcare's Message to Families

Please see Minister Singh's school year end message in the following [Letter to Families](#)

5. Next School Year and Opening Week Information

Prior to classes starting on Tuesday, September 5th, parents/guardians, and students can expect an e-bulletin outlining the opening schedule for school start up. This email will be sent the last week of August or on September 1st. We are looking forward to meeting our newest, Grade 8 highlanders and seeing our returning students rested and ready for another great year! **School Supplies:** Incoming Grade 8s and new students do not need to purchase any specific school supplies. Teachers will discuss any specific supplies needed the first week of school. We do recommend that students have their own laptop or Chromebook, 2 D Ring Binders, loose leaf papers, and pens and pencils.

COMMUNITY UPDATES

West Vancouver Basketball Club Summer Camps

Now that the school year has come to an end, the WVBC Summer camps are just around the corner. This summer, the WVBC will be offering 4 weeks of camps beginning July 10 for players in Grades 2-10. There are still some spaces left in most camps. All camps will be held at West Van Secondary School. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>