

## Welcome to West Vancouver Secondary School for the 2023/24 school year!

Hello Grade 8 Families and students!

Whether you are new to West Vancouver Secondary School and community or already acquainted with us, we are extremely happy that you have joined us for 2023-24 and beyond as our newest Highlanders! We know that there is a lot of excitement, anticipation, questions, and perhaps a little bit of nervousness as we prepare for this school year. The transition from grade 7 into 8 is significant and we look forward to supporting you in the exciting journey ahead.

This initial email is to welcome you to WVSS and you provide you with our <u>WVSS Grade 8 Newsletter</u> which contains information for opening day and beyond. On opening day, Tuesday September 5<sup>th</sup> grade 8s will be at school from 8:30am until 10:20am that day. School supplies will not be needed, but they will need a smile for school photos. You can expect another email later this week with more details on opening week.

Also, we are excited to inform you that on **Friday September 8**th, Grade 8 students will be participating in an all-day team building and leadership event on our campus with Pinnacle Pursuits. Please print and sign the parent/ guardian waiver found in the Newsletter. The waiver should be sent to school with your child by or before September 7th so that they are able to participate in the event.

Finally, school supplies. Incoming Grade 8s do not need to purchase any specific school supplies yet. Teachers will discuss any specific supplies needed the first week of school. We do, however, recommend that students have their own laptop or Chromebook, 2 D Ring Binders, loose leaf paper, and pens and pencils. Students can bring a binder with some paper and a pen/pencil for Wednesday.

I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer, and we look forward to seeing all our students on Tuesday September 5<sup>th</sup>! Should you have any questions in the interim please do not hesitate to contact the school (wvss@wvschools.ca or 604-981-1100) and we will be happy to assist in any way possible.

Warmest regards,

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