



WEST VANCOUVER SECONDARY  E-BULLETIN

WVSS is an IB World School



March 13, 2025



Important Dates & Calendar Reminders

- **March 17-28:** Spring Break (No School)
- **April 7:** Summer Learning Registration opens (8:00 AM)
- **April 7-11:** Graduation Assessments - Literacy 10
- **April 18:** Good Friday (No School)
- **April 21:** Easter Monday (No School)
- **April 23 - May 16:** I.B. Exams

New Updates

Celebrating student success!

Every last Thursday of the month, we will highlight Highlanders who shine in our school programs. Check out our first **Highlander Success** stories below!

Spring Sports season is here!

The following sports are being offered:

Girls Rugby (9-12)	JR Girls Soccer
JR Boys Rugby	SR Girls Soccer
SR Boys Rugby	JR Badminton
Grade 8 Football	SR Badminton
Track and Field (8-12)	Mountain Biking (8-12)
JR Tennis	JR Ultimate
SR Tennis	SR Ultimate

All try-out/team meeting information can be found on our **Athletics Bulletin Board** between the New and Old Gyms. Check daily for updates!

NEW REGISTRATION PROCESS (once selected to a team):

1. Payment:
 - School Cash On-line
2. General Liability: Student-Athletes **cannot play** unless this is completed.
 - <https://forms.office.com/r/Ujz0TgXH0z>
3. High Risk Sports (Rugby, Hockey, Football, Mountain Biking):
 - Paper Copy needs to be submitted to the coaches, which should be distributed to parents via a Parent Meeting.
 - These forms can also be found at [Athletics](#)
 - Student-Athletes also cannot play unless completed.

The WVSS Current (Literary and Artistic Journal) is accepting submissions!

Get your poetry, fiction, and art published! Students of all grades are welcome.

What is *The WVSS Current*? *The WVSS Current* journal is a collection of student-made works from around our school. It showcases the creativity and great variety of talent among our students; readers get to see the awesome work of their friends and classmates! The journal features poetry, stories, and visual art. If you are a writer, an artist, or you're open to trying something new, this is a great opportunity to contribute to the school community and share your work with others!

 **Submit work to the WVSS Current** with Google Classroom Code: **4t7ocx3**


 **Submission deadline:** Sunday, April 13th | 11:59PM

Reminders


Extended Absence Forms

This is a reminder to families that if a student is missing 4 or more days due to an extended absence, they must have this [Extended Absence Form](#) completed and signed by all their teachers and an administrator. Copies are available for pick up at the north campus and south campus offices. Thank you for your attention to this.

WVSS Yearbooks

WVSS Yearbooks are available for purchase!. Order your yearbook today at [School Cash Online](#). If your yearbook **does not appear** on School Cash Online, it means you have already purchased one.  **Order Deadline: April 1, 2025**

Graduation Assessments - Literacy 10:

 **Monday, April 7 - Friday, April 11, 2025**

All Grade 10 students must be present and available from April 7-11, 2025 for their Literacy 10 assessment, which is a **mandatory graduation requirement**. Kindly **avoid scheduling appointments** during the school day this week.

Students have been notified by their school email of the day, time, and location of their assessment. For more information with sample assessments, please see [Grade 10 Literacy Assessment | Building Student Success - B.C. Curriculum](#)

2025 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools

Are you interested in learning during the summer? West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during July 2025.

Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs opens on **Monday, April 7 at 8:00 AM**.

More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers (elementary or secondary) or at [Summer Learning | West Vancouver Schools](#)

SMS for Parents/Guardians

Option to receive text message for school emergencies or other important alerts:

Part of the SD45 communication system allows families to opt into receiving important information additionally by text. For parents/guardians who would like to be notified of a school emergency such as power outages, severe weather or safety alerts via SMS **please text a “Y” or “Yes” to 978338 to ensure you are on the list.**

West Vancouver Basketball Club Spring Program

The WVBC Spring Basketball Program begins after Spring Break and there are still some spaces available. This spring, the WVBC will be offering sessions for players in Grades 2-9. All sessions will be held at West Van Secondary. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>

WV School District Programs


West Vancouver Schools has created a richly woven learning experience designed to educate the ‘whole child’ through academics, athletics, citizenship, and the arts: [WV School District Programs](#). Applications are now being accepted.

Additional Notices

- **Winter Weather Advisory:**
 - In the event of severe weather, please check the [school district website](#) for updates on school closures.
- **Safe Driving Around WVSS:**
 - Parents and students are reminded to drive **safely and legally** around campus. Please avoid U-turns, speeding, and stopping in the middle of the road for drop-offs.
- **WVSS PAC**
 - **Donations:** Please see [Optional PAC Donation](#) You can contribute more than once and at any time throughout the year! Your donations enhance your child’s school experience in so many ways. Thank you!
 - Year round **fundraiser** with **Tru Earth:**
<https://tru-earth.sjv.io/westvancouversecondaryschoolpac>

- **Homestay Families Needed:**
 - WVSS is looking for families to host international students. If interested, contact **Homestay Coordinator** visit [West Vancouver Schools International](#)
 - **Community Connections and Events:**
 - Stay engaged with the community by visiting [Community Connections and Events](#)
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Useful Links

 **Reporting Absences/Lates:** [West Vancouver Secondary School](#)

 **WVSS Website:** [West Vancouver Secondary School](#)

 **Counselling Page:** [West Vancouver Counselling](#)

 **Athletics Website:** [Athletics](#)

 **West Vancouver School District:** [West Vancouver Schools](#)

 **Follow Us:**  @wearewvss

Please keep your contact information up to date to receive important school updates.

* NEW * Celebrating WVSS Highlander Success

Cybersecurity and Artificial Intelligence program

One of our teams from the district's Cybersecurity and AI program ([Cybersecurity and Artificial Intelligence](#)) has recently qualified for the **Canadian National Finals Cybersecurity Competition** ([CyberTitan](#)). The students competed with thousands of teams **worldwide** to earn their spot.

Congratulations to **Benjamin Kerr** (Grade 11) and **Dylan Woods** (Grade 12) who were part of this team and who spent incredibly long hours studying and preparing for this moment. We wish them all the best for the Canadian National Finals Cybersecurity Competition in May!



Wrestling

Congratulations to grade 12 student **Hudson De Lazzer** who recently finished **5th** in his weight class at the **BC Wrestling Championships!**

Hudson started wrestling in grade 10 as a beginner and has developed into a dominant athlete. As captain of the team, he has exemplified leadership at WVSS! Well done, Hudson!



Wishing you a wonderful Spring Break!

