



WEST VANCOUVER SECONDARY E-BULLETIN

WVSS is an IB World School



April 24, 2025



Important Dates & Calendar Reminders

- **April 29 - May 21:** I.B. Exams
- **May 7:** Grade 9, 10 Immunization Catch Up
- **May 16:** Professional Day (No School)
- **May 19:** Victoria Day Holiday (No School)
- **May 24:** Graduation Banquet | Westin Bayshore | 5:30 pm
- **May 27 & May 28:** Grade 7 Orientation at WVSS (8:50 am-12:30 pm)
- **May 29:** Collaboration Day (School begins at 9:30am)
- **June 15:** West Vancouver School Leaving Ceremony | Orpheum Theatre | 11:00 am
- **June 19:** Year End BBQ, Parade and Captoss – For Grads | 12:30 pm

New Updates

Grade 9 & 10 Immunization

Students who did not receive all their immunization shots have been notified about the opportunity to have this done at school. **Please submit immunization forms ASAP to the North Campus Office**



Immunization date: Wednesday, May 7 | 8:30 am | North Campus Cafeteria

2025 Grad Sign Flyers

- Grad signs are produced locally and will be available by Friday May 23rd (before the Grad banquet on Saturday May 24th).
 - Take photos of your grad looking their best, with your sign, before the Grad banquet!
[wvss grad 2025 yard sign flyer](#)
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Celebrating Student Success: Featured at the end of the bulletin

Reminders

ATTENTION GRADUATES & FAMILIES:

Please see [WVSS SPECIAL GRAD INFO](#) for special grad information regarding:

- Valedictorian selection
 - WVSS Graduation Banquet and Dance
 - WVSS Leaving Ceremony
 - Year End BBQ, Parade and Captoss – For Grads
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ATTENTION PARENTS OF GRADE 10s, 11s & 12s:

The 2025 Student Learning Survey is now available to complete online.

Go to www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm to complete.

- No logon information is needed.
- For District, select “45 West Vancouver” and for School - select “West Vancouver Secondary School”.
- The survey will take approximately 30 minutes to complete.

This survey provides feedback on the implementation of the curriculum changes, learning environments, student wellness and satisfaction, student belonging and engagement, and career preparation. Please reach out to Ms. Frith at sfrith@wvschools.ca if you have any questions.

Planning ahead for 2025-26

This is a friendly reminder to please inform the office at [West Vancouver Secondary School](#) if your family is planning to withdraw from the school for the 2025-26 school year. Thank you for your consideration.

2025 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools

Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs are now open. More information can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers (elementary or secondary) or at [Summer Learning | West Vancouver Schools](#)

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.


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.**

Additional Notices

- **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** or visit [West Vancouver Schools International](#)
 - **Community Connections and Events:**
 - Stay engaged with the community by visiting [Community Connections & 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.

Celebrating WVSS Highlander Success

Supporting Dignidad Migrante



The Spanish Club held an amazing Krispy Kreme Fundraiser to support the organization **Dignidad Migrante**. Dignidad Migrante supports immigrant workers with legal, financial and human/labour rights assistance. Thank you to Tara Burke, Julie Hallack, Vicky Li, Mariana Masana, Takae Mori, Brianna Pandela, Ronia Robinson, Chloe Shaw and Ela Vaziri.

Young Defenders of the North Cybersecurity Hackathon



Students from WVSS participated in the **Young Defenders of the North Cybersecurity Hackathon** organized by [SiberX](#) and [ISACA](#) and hosted at [Simon Fraser University](#) on Thursday, April 3.

The Hackathon is an immersive, hands-on battle against digital threats where numerous teams from all over Vancouver raced against time to secure their schools Learning Management System which was hijacked through a Telecom network breach.

First Place was awarded to WVSS Grade 12 students **Dylan Woods & Sam Katevatis** who were part of a team in the district's Cybersecurity and Artificial Intelligence program.

Second Place was awarded to WVSS Grade 9 students **Chacha Gill, Lauryn Heath & Coco Gill**, their first time ever participating in a Hackathon. CONGRATULATIONS to all the students!

In the Pursuit of Excellence

At the end of February, the **BC Provincial Finals for VEX V5 Robotics Competition** commenced. Up for grabs were sixteen berths into the **World Championships**. West Vancouver's Ten Ton Robotics won **seven** of those spots.

Last Friday, these finalist gathered at West Vancouver Secondary School to refine their skills and machines in preparation for the **World Championships in Dallas from May 5 – 11, 2025**.

Congratulations to the following teams for qualifying and making the trip to Dallas.

1010G: Matthias Ip, Alexander Teale, Edward Liu & Caelan Redekopp

1010W: Sean Chan-Sato, Kobe Sam

1010X: Simon Han, Even Ming, Jessie Shi, Justin Xi, Martin Chen, & Brandon Greenough

1011X: Lucan Chugani, Eric Horte, Ryan Agnew & Safeer Lalji

10012E: Alex Bayless, Kia Boedker, Kai Lund-Chow & Ethan Liu

10012W: Rian Cavers, Parv Mathur & Ben Hutchings

10012Y: Max Gao, Andy Zheng & Lisa Dobkin-Wong

