



WEST VANCOUVER SECONDARY | E-BULLETIN

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October 23, 2025

| Important Dates & Calendar Reminders for September

- Frid. Oct. 24: Interim Learning Updated posted on MyEd
- Frid. Oct. 24: Professional Development Day (School not in session)
- Tues. Oct. 28: WVSS Fall Concert | Kay Meek Theatre | 6:00pm
- Tues. Oct. 28: Scholarship Information Webinar | 6:00 7:30pm
- Thurs. Oct. 30: Collaboration Day (School begins at 9:30am)
- Frid. Oct. 31: Halloween Wear a costume if you wish!
- Wed. Nov. 5: Grade 9 Take our Kids to Work Day
- Wed. Nov. 5: Duke of Edinburgh Parent Info. Session | 6:00pm | WVSS Library
- Tues. Nov. 11: Remembrance Day (School closed)
- Mon. Nov. 24: Professional Development Day (School not in session)
- Tues. Nov. 25 Dec. 6th: Grad Photos stay tuned for updates
- Frid. Nov. 28: Learning Update #1 posted online

NEW UPDATES:

Duke of Edinburgh Award at WVSS

Attention Grade 11 Students!

Are you somebody who would like to participate in an international programme that challenges students to develop new skills, improve their physical fitness, volunteer in their community, and complete an adventurous expedition? If so, check out the information that your CLC teacher is posting today in your Careers Classroom.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is a non-competitive program that aims to empower young people, build confidence, and provide skills valued by employers and universities. For more information, please see D of E at WVSS

If you'd like to join, please join the Duke of Edinburgh Google Classroom **7mzerkts Deadeline to join google classroom:** 77 Monday, November 3, 2025 | 9:00pm

Parents - are you interested in learning more about this? If so, please fill out this <u>FORM</u> indicating your availability to attend a parent information evening.

Wednesday, November 5, 2025 | 6:00pm | WVSS Library

Interim Learning Updates posted on October 24, 2025

Friday, October 24, 2025 | 1:00pm | MyEd Family Portal

This is a reminder that these interim reports only have comments regarding attendance, engagement, behavior, learning and work habits on them. There are no percentages, letter grades, or proficiency scales noted.

Family Portal Important Notes:

- Log in before October 24 Please be sure to logon to your MyEd Family Portal
 account so that you can access upcoming learning updates and other published
 reports. This will ensure you will be able to see your child's learning update when it is
 posted.
- Family Portal Link: <u>MyEducation BC</u>
- Logging-In Quick Guide: Logging-In-Quick-Guide-Family (1).pdf
- MyED BC Parent Portal Tutorial <u>Parent Portal Tutorial</u>

Username/Password/Recovery – Please record your username and password.
 Furthermore, confirm you have set up your 'password recovery' function to allow you to reset your own password. <u>Log In/Password Recovery How To Video</u>

REMINDERS:

Policy & Procedure Form and Student Verification Form

ATTENTION FAMILIES! These items are due ASAP! Policy and Procedures Form and Student Verification Forms (paper copy).

Questions, please contact Ms. Rebecca Avotins at West Vancouver Secondary School

WVSS Music Department Fall Concert: FALL FEST '25!

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 | 6:00pm | Kay Meek Grosvenor Theatre

■ **Tickets:** \$5.00, available starting next week from music teachers in class (Mr. Daudlin, Ms. Fulla, Ms. Fulton & Mr. Mee), at the main office and at the door of the show.

Groups performing will include the Orchestra, Intermediate and Senior Concert Bands, Jazz Band, Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, Rock Band, Dance class, and the Grade 8 Band! See you there!

Scholarship Information Webinar

7:30 pm | 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Don't miss this very informative **Key to Scholarships Session** offered virtually on Oct.28th at 6:00PM. Please see details on how to join this session on the link provided above.

2026-2027 Admissions

Admissions for the 2026-2027 school year are open for all Kindergarten students and all Grade 1 –12 In-catchment students.

Admissions for Out-of-Catchment and Out-of-District students opens at 8:00am on Thursday, January 15th, 2026.

For more information about admissions processes, dates, guidelines, and information, please visit <u>Admissions | West Vancouver Schools</u> Please carefully read the information regarding documentation procedures before starting the application process.

School Fees 2025-2026

The 2025-2026 School Course Fees are now available for payment on **School Cash Online** as of **Monday, October 6th**.

All school fees and field trips are added to this site and can be paid easily with this website: School Cash Online

If you have not signed in before, **you will need your child's Student Pupil number** which can be found on MyEd or on a previous report card. You can find School Cash Online - Registration Instructions here: <u>School Cash Online - Registration Instructions.docx</u>

Please contact Jacqueline Bornea in the main office if you have any questions or assistance with logging in.

Clubs 2025-2026

There are 65 clubs to choose from! Sign up in the coming weeks and join a group of students with similar interests to yours! CLUBS 2025-26

WVSS PAC Update



PAC Donation - School Cash Online

The Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) would like to thank West Vancouver Secondary School parents who make the annual contribution to WVSS PAC to support their children in both the classroom and in extra-curricular and sporting activities.

The 2025/2026 **Optional PAC Contribution** is available on School Cash Online. You have the option to choose one of three donation amounts: \$25, \$50, or \$75. You can contribute more than once and at any time throughout the year!

Please see this link, PAC Optional Donation 2025-26.pdf, which highlights some of the things the PAC supported last year, as well as some further details. To allow us to continue

with this support this year, please include the PAC Optional Donation on your School Cash Online fee payment. Your donations enhance your child's school experience in so many ways. Your PAC donation works alongside the BC Gaming Grant funds that the PAC applies for each year.

WVSS Athletics

FALL 2025 Sport Registration:

2 Step Process for non-high risk sports (3 steps for football):

- 1) Register your student athlete at https://forms.office.com/r/DBW7pupAEX
- 2) Go to School Cash On-Line https://westvancouver.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Index
- 3) Only those players in football will also need to complete a paper copy for additional liability that can be found under 'Downloads' on highlandersathletics.ca and submitted to Mr. Kozak, the Football Head Coach: Football (link here):

FOOTBALL - Parent Informed Consent Form for High Risk School Sport1 - Copy.pdf
Any questions or concerns? Please contact your Athletic Directors Cam MacGivillary
Cam MacGillivary and Jo-Anne McKee Jo-Anne Mckee

Collaboration Time 2025-26

Please note that classes begin at **9:30am** on Collaboration Days. For students arriving earlier to school, the school will be open for quiet study in the halls and cafeteria but the library will be closed. **Next Collaboration date** is **October 30**, **2025**.

Graduation Assessment Dates

Please note that these Graduation Assessments are required for graduation purposes.

Parents/Guardians: Please avoid booking appointments during school hours during these assessment dates as they can only be completed during designated ministry time slots. Students will receive the exact day/time of their assessment before school closes for winter break.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Ms. Frith at Sofia Frith

January 12-16, 2026: Grade 10 students write the *Literacy 10* assessment.

January 19-23, 2026: Grade 12 students write the *Literacy 12* assessment.

School Supplies

- → Students should bring lined paper, pen/pencil and ideally a laptop or Chromebook..

 WVSS SCHOOL SUPPLIES LIST 25_26.pdf
- → Students with PHE: be prepared with athletic clothing and running shoes.

Optional Accident Insurance for Families

West Vancouver Schools reminds families each year that personal injury or accident costs are not covered by the district or its insurance provider. To help protect against expenses from accidental injury, unexpected medical costs, or critical illness, families have the option to purchase voluntary accident insurance plans. A variety of providers offer different levels of coverage, so families are encouraged to review their options carefully and choose a plan that best meets their needs.

WVSS APP

Students and families can use our WVSS APP to see their daily schedule, see a map of the school, obtain school announcements, see all calendar events and so much more!

Google Calendar Link

The WVSS google calendar for students includes the days (regular, FIT, Collab and the block rotation) plus significant student events. If you would like to subscribe to this calendar, please follow this - <a href="https://www.wvss.numerica.numeri

Attendance Notices

Student absences should be communicated through email at **West Vancouver Secondary School**

- ★ If this is not possible, please call the school office at 604-981-1100.
- ★ All student absences must be excused by a parent or guardian.

★ If students are unwell during the day, they must report to the office before leaving the school.

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.
- 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 <u>Community Connections and Events</u>



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