WEST VANCOUVER SECONDARY E-BULLETIN

WVSS is an IB World School

May 21, 2026

Important Dates & Calendar Reminders

- **Mon. April 27 - May 20**: I.B. Exams
- **Sat. May 23:** WVSS Graduation Banquet | Westin Bayshore Hotel | 6:00pm
- **Thurs. May 28:** Collaboration Day: Classes begin at 9:30am
- **Mon. June 8 - Frid. June 12**: Graduation Assessments - Numeracy 10
- **Thurs. June 11:** WVSS Year End Concert | Kay Meek Theatre | 6:00pm
- **Frid. June 12:** WVSS Commencement 2026 | The Centre | 7:00pm
- **Wed. June 17:** Film & Animation Night | Kay Meek Theatre | 7:00pm
- **Thur. June 18:** WVSS Rock Band Concert | Kay Meek Theatre | 7:00pm
- **Mon. June 22**: Last day of regular classes
- **Tues. June 23 - Thurs. June 25**: Completion Days
- **Thurs. June 25:** Summary of Learning - posted online on MyEd
- **Frid. June 26:** Administration Day - Staff only at school

REMINDERS

West Vancouver Community Cultural Fest

Join us this June for West Vancouver Community Cultural Fest. This two-day festival brings people together through food, music, and culture. Join us as we celebrate the multicultural diversity of West Vancouver.
Friday, June 5 | 4–9:30 p.m.
Saturday, June 6 | 11 a.m.–7 p.m.
Ambleside Park
For more details: wvculturalfest.ca

📅 Graduation Assessment

June 8–12, 2026: Grade 10 students write the *Numeracy 10* assessment.

Please note that these Graduation Assessments are **required for graduation purposes.**
Students HAVE RECEIVED their assessment date and time via school email.

- ☐ **Please have them check their email and mark their calendars.**
- ☐ **If you have appointments that conflict with the assessment, kindly reschedule the appointment.** These assessments can only be completed during designated ministry time slots.
- ☐ If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Ms. Frith at Sofia Frith

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Summer Learning Update

West Vancouver Schools is pleased to offer a rich and engaging Summer Learning Program for July 2026, available for both elementary and secondary students.
Programs are offered at:

- Ridgeview Elementary
- Irwin Park Elementary
- West Vancouver Secondary School

Registration Update
Summer Learning registration opened April 8–10 and many courses are full with active waitlists.

- If a course is visible in your School Cash Online account, space is still available.
- If a course is no longer visible, it is currently full.

Families may join waitlists through the Summer Learning webpage:
👉 https://westvancouverschools.ca/summer-learning/

Important Reminders

- Registration is completed online through School Cash Online.
- Students may register for one course only. Registering for more than one course may result in cancellation and loss of deposit.
- A $100 deposit is required and is refunded with attendance for the duration of the course.
- Placement is confirmed based on the order of completed registration and payment.

Non-WVS Students

Registration for students not currently enrolled in West Vancouver Schools will take place in person:

- May 13, 2026: Students living within the district but attending elsewhere
- May 20, 2026: Students living and attending outside the district

For full course descriptions, schedules, and policies, please visit:
👉 https://westvancouverschools.ca/summer-learning/

Personal Digital Devices

West Vancouver Schools continues to focus on keeping learning spaces calm, focused, and supportive for students. Clear and consistent expectations around cell phones and other personal digital devices help reduce distractions and support student well-being throughout the school day.

- Cell phones and personal digital devices are used during instructional time only when explicitly permitted by staff
- Any device use is purposeful, supervised, and directly connected to learning

How families can support consistency:

- Avoid texting or calling students during school hours
- Model limited cell phone use when on school grounds
- Reinforce expectations at home so students receive the same message from school and family

A one-page Parent & Guardian Personal Digital Device Infographic is available for a clear summary of expectations.

2026-2027 West Vancouver Schools Admissions

K-12 admission applications are open. To learn more about registration expectations and processes, please visit our admissions page: West Vancouver Schools Admissions

We look forward to welcoming new students and families to our vibrant and supportive school community!

WVSS – Student Lunch Account Program

We have an optional **Student Lunch Account Program** designed to make cafeteria purchases easier for families and faster for students. Parents can load funds online, and students pay using a secure QR code.

If you have questions, please contact Tony at Tony@geminifoods.ca or Geoff at Geoff@geminifoods.ca

Here are the full instructions: Student Account Program - SD45 - Gemini Foods.pdf
Support: accounts@geminifoods.ca

West Vancouver Highlander Athletics

We have a YouTube network with all of our basketball games archived: West Van Highlanders Athletics - YouTube
In the Fall, you will be able to watch Highlander football home games on our livestream by going to: hudl.fan.com and type in "**West Vancouver Secondary**" in the search bar.

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 - WVSS Student Calendar and add it to your Google calendar. If you'd like to open it in Outlook or other applications, use WVSS Student Calendar

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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.**

PAC News and Parent Education

PAC Donation - School Cash Online

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.

Parents guide to Social Media and Digital Devices:

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Physical Activity and Physical Literacy: Children and Youth Ages 5-17

For detailed information, please see the link HERE

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 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