

West Vancouver Schools Planning Schedule for 2021-2022 & Pursuit

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This updated message is to provide parents with the most up-to-date information about our planning process for the 2021-2022 school year at the secondary school level.

West Vancouver Schools priority is to ensure all students receive the required courses they require for graduation purposes. Currently, we are planning the secondary school schedule with the understanding that, at the same time, we are monitoring the situation with respect to COVID-19 and the ongoing communication by the Ministry of Education.

Our thinking, as we plan for the 2021-2022 school year, is that this will be a “transitional year” as we must be mindful that the secondary schedule be built to ensure flexibility & the ability to be scalable between Stages 1 and 2 of the BC Restart Plan. However, our plan does anticipate 100% in-person instruction.

To review, following the Quarter System structure, West Vancouver Schools students complete 2 courses each quarter (10 weeks) with one course scheduled in the mornings and one course scheduled in the afternoons (8:30 – 3:00: Monday, Wednesday & Friday AND 8:30 to 11:45: Tuesday & Thursday).

Within the Quarter System structure, the district created periods called X Blocks designed to provide opportunities for students to participate in a variety of programs such as sports academies, district programs, blended-learning courses, electives, and tutorials.

With respect to students interested in pursuing personalized training in a variety of disciplines, students would use the X Block periods (Tuesday & Thursday from 12:00 – 3:00).

Pursuit applications are not required.

Parents and students are encouraged to communicate the district’s flexible time (Tuesdays & Thursdays) with their service providers. While we understand this does not provide the same flexibility as it did historically, in order for students to meet their academic requirements within this current Quarter System and for schools to maintain safety protocols during COVID-19, this is our best compromise.

Guidelines for completing Pursuit Applications:

At this time, we are not accepting Pursuit Applications. Please continue to return to this website for updates on the school district’s schedule for the 2021-2022 school year and its effect on the Pursuit Program.