



WVSS Information Bulletin

A Weekly Update of School Information For Parents and Guardians

March 12th, 2020

COVID-19 Update

Please see the attached letter that was sent by our Superintendent of Schools, Chris Kennedy, regarding the most recent update on the COVID-19 Virus.

We have also included the March 4th letter now translated in Mandarin and Farsi.

Term 2 Reports Cards are Available on Family Portal Now!

All students and parents are able to access Term 2 report cards for your child(ren) on the family portal. If you are unable to access your account please send an email to cschier@wvschools.ca and we will reset your account.

Parent Portal Login: <https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspden/logon.do>

If you have a student that joined us after December 2019 you should have received an email with account set up instructions from sysadmin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca. If you did not receive this email please check your junk mail folder.

2020-2021 Course Requests

Returning WVSS students have made their course requests for the 2020-2021 school year. As we prepare to build next year's timetable we ask you to review these requests with your child. Please [click here](#) for Family Portal Navigation Guide for details to access the requests. If your child wishes to make changes to their requests, please have them meet with their school counsellor.

BLOOM! The WVSS Spring Music Concert: **Postponed!**

Due to an abundance of caution, the WVSS Spring Concert formerly scheduled for Thursday March 12, 2020 has been postponed to Tuesday April 28th, 2020.

WVS DPAC Presents – Like Behind The Scenes: A New Film About The Impact Of Social Media On Our Lives

West Vancouver District Parent Advisory Council Presents
A SCREENING OF:

Followed by a panel discussion with local service and support providers

Wednesday, April 15, 2020
7-9 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM)
Kay Meek Theatre | 1700 Mathers Ave, West Vancouver

Tickets - \$10
Click link below to purchase:
www.kaymeek.com



Chris Kennedy, Moderator
Superintendent
West Vancouver Schools



Carl Wilson, Panelist
Innovation and Technology
Lead Teacher
West Vancouver Schools



Kian Lall, Panelist
Grade 12 Student
Sentinel Secondary



Dr. Marl K. Swingle, Panelist
Doctor of Psychology, Author of *Minds: How
and Why Constant Connectivity is Rewriting
our Brains and What to Do About It*




WVS Summer Learning 2020 – Secondary

Registration for Summer Learning 2020 opens online at 8:00 a.m. on April 1st, 2020. All Secondary programs will be run out of West Vancouver Secondary. Summary information about summer learning course offerings can be found below. For further information, please visit the Summer Learning website: <http://westvancouver.schools.ca/summer-learning/>

Grade	Full Credit Courses July 2 - 31 8:30 am – 1:00 pm	Preview Courses July 2 - 17 8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Completion Courses July 2 - 17 8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Academic Preparation Courses for English Language Learners July 2 - 17 8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Skill-Building Math Courses July 2 - 17 8:30 am – 1:10 pm
	Final mark and credit granted for course completion.	All courses are not for credit and are for preview purposes only	Student must have been enrolled in the course during the regular school year at a West Vancouver School to be eligible to take this course. Students will work on an action plan to complete the course for credit	Courses provide support with key academic vocabulary and academic concepts to prepare students for academic achievement in English, Math, Socials and Science	Courses provide revision and consolidation of the math skills required for the math courses to be taken next school year

8		Grade 7/8 Transition English 8 Math 8	English 8 Math 8 Science 8 Social Studies 8	Grade 8 – Academic Preparation (ELL)	Math 8
9		English 9 Math 9	English 9 Math 9 Science 9 Social Studies 9	Grade 9 – Academic Preparation (ELL)	Math 9
10	Composition and Literary Studies 10 Foundations of Math and Pre- calculus 10	Foundations of Math and Pre- Calculus 10		Grade 10 – Academic Preparation (ELL)	
11	Life Sciences 11 Literary Studies 11 Physics 11 Pre-calculus 11	Pre-Calculus 11 Marketing and Promotion 11			
12	Anatomy and Physiology 12 Physics 12 Pre-calculus 12 20 th Century World History 12				

* Please be advised that all classes are subject to sufficient enrollment.

2020 Ministry of Education Student Learning Survey

The School District #45 is participating in the 2020 Ministry of Education Student Learning Survey (formally called the Satisfaction Survey) with all other school districts throughout the province. The Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools, as it gathers information from parents, teachers and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools, and provides a district and provincial perspective.

The Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 10 and 12, their parents/Guardians, and all school staff. We encourage parents to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement.

Parents/Guardians of Grades 10 and 12 students can complete the anonymous Internet electronic surveys any time **before April 3, 2020.**

The survey can be completed electronically at http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm

To complete the survey:

1. Go to www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm.
2. Select the “Direct Access” option

3. Select "45 West Vancouver" from the District drop down list.
4. Select "West Vancouver Secondary" from the School drop down list.
5. Choose your preferred language from the drop-down list.
6. Complete the survey by clicking the green NEXT in the bottom right corner of the screen.
7. When you are finished, the message "Thank you for sharing your views" will appear.

Thank you for participating

Graduation LITERACY Assessment (GLA10): Grade 10 students – April 14,15,16,17,20, 2020

All WVSS Grade 10 students will be writing the Graduation Literacy Assessment (GLA 10) this April at West Vancouver Secondary school. This assessment is required for graduation purposes. ***Please avoid any planned absences April 14- 20th as all Grade 10 students need to write this assessment in the April exam session.*** The exam schedule, by last name, will be provided in the next few weeks.

Students should prepare for this exam. It is important that students try their best and take this assessment seriously. Sample exams, videos and more information can be found here: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/literacy-assessment/grade-10-literacy-assessment> . All grade 10 students should try the sample exams (printed or online) and review the scoring guide.

School Cash Online

School fees are available online and we are asking fees to be paid online through School Cash. The direct link to the program is <http://westvancouver.schoolcashionline.com>

All parents/guardians were sent an e-mail in September with their student's PIN. If you did not receive the e-mail with your child's PIN, please contact [Mrs. Madill](#) so that you can access this program. In the future, field trips and grad events will be added to School Cash Online for easy payment.

\$25 PAC Optional 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 your children in both the classroom and in extra-curricular and sporting activities. The 2019/2020 PAC \$25 voluntary contribution is now available on the School Cash Online which you should have received by email this week. Below is a list of some of the things the PAC supported last year. To allow us to continue with this support this year, please include the \$25 PAC Optional Donation on your School Cash Online fee payment. Your donations enhance your child's school experience in so many ways. Your \$25 PAC donation works alongside the BC Gaming Grant funds that the PAC applies for each year.

For more information please read the following:

- [\\$25 PAC Optional Donation – English](#)
- [\\$25 PAC Optional Donation – Chinese](#)
- [\\$25 PAC Optional Donation – Farsi](#)

Stay Informed: Keep Your Address & Contact Information Up to Date!

All Parents and Guardians will receive this e-bulletin by email each Thursday and we hope you will make it part of your routine to browse through it and keep up to date on school information and upcoming events. In addition, the student absence system makes contact daily by telephone to alert parents of unexcused absences. From time to time the school will also send documents and information to homes by regular mail. To ensure that you stay informed in all of these ways, please contact the school office and let us know if you change your email, phone contact information or move to a new address.

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