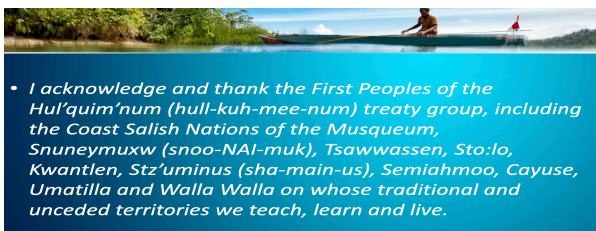




FAMILY WAAG OCTOBER 16 – 20, 2023

Monday Oct. 16	Tuesday Oct. 17	Wednesday Oct. 18	Thursday Oct. 19	Friday Oct. 20
ABCD University of Calgary @lunch A105	PLT – ABCD PAC Meeting @ 7pm	ABCD Photo Retakes (AM Only) PSI BC 1-2:30pm in Rotunda	PLT – ABCD	<i>Pro D Day School Closed</i>



I acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the Hul'qum'num (hull-kuh-mee-num) treaty group, including the Coast Salish Nations of the Musqueam, Snuneymuxw (snoo-NAI-muk), Tsawwassen, Sto:lo, Kwantlen, Stz'uminus (sha-main-us), Semiahmoo, Cayuse, Umatilla and Walla Walla on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

BACK TO SCHOOL WELLNESS TOOLKIT

As children, teenagers and families across B.C. adapt to their back-to-school routine, BC Children's Hospital has prepared a 'wellness toolkit' for the transition. The toolkit below provides families with practical guidance and resources to support their child or teen as they adjust to the school routine and change in their environment. For more information. <http://www.bcchildrens.ca/health-info/healthy-living/back-to-school>

ESTABLISHING SAFE, CARING AND RESPECTFUL DIGITAL COMMUNITIES (GR.9-12)

This session for students and parents in Gr 9-12 covers all things digital, from how to be a good digital citizen, the criminal consequences of cyberbullying, and how to report and receive support in cases of sexting/sextortion. Some of the most prominent concerns currently surrounding students' use of social media platforms, smartphones, and artificial intelligence will be discussed. For more info <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/erase>

PHOTO RE-TAKE DAY – OCT 18TH (AM ONLY)

Retakes are for 1) students who missed the original photo day and 2) those who would like to purchase a photo package and who would like a different photo. **Students must bring the original student ID Card with them, and return it to Artona, before they can have a re-take taken.**

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Oct. 17: PAC Meeting
- Oct. 18: Photo Retakes (AM Only)
- Oct 18: PSI BC 1:00 – 2:30pm
- Oct 19, 24 & 26th: in PLT – GLA 12 support sessions
- Oct. 20: Professional Development Day (School Closed)
- Oct. 23: ADST 8 Rotation 2
- Oct 25: Collaboration Day (late start 9:30am)
- Oct 26: PLT & afterschool GLA 10 support sessions
- Oct. 30-Nov. 3: Gr. 10 & 12 Graduation Assessments
- Nov 1: Gr 9 Take our Kids to Work Day

AP EXAMS

AP Exam ordering information for the 2023-2024 school year has been emailed to McMath students who are currently enrolled in an AP course at McMath. This information is also posted on the McMath school website main page for other students who may be interested. AP exams are optional. **The deadline to submit completed order forms and payment for AP exams is the end of the school day on November 3rd.** Students ordering one or more AP exams must also sign up online. Details about this process are provided on the order form which can be found on the school's website. Please note there is a \$55 cancellation fee for each exam if a student changes their mind after the exam(s) have been ordered.

GRADUATION ASSESSMENTS

GLA 10 (Oct 30 & 31) GLA 12 (Nov 1-3)

Graduation Literacy Assessments 10 & 12 will be taking place for all current Gr 10 and Gr 12 students from October 30 – November 3. **These are mandatory assessments required for graduation.** All Gr 10 & 12 students have been scheduled into a specific date, time and location for their graduation assessment. The schedule with that information will be posted around the school the week of October 16th. Students are responsible to check the schedule to find out when they will be writing their assessment and make sure they are at their assessment location prior to the scheduled start time. We will want to get started on time, but it does take some time to get everyone signed in and ready.

GRADUATION (GLA 10 & 12) ASSESSMENT SUPPORT SESSIONS

There will be optional support sessions offered to Grade 10 & 12 students prior to the assessments. **The Grade 10 support sessions will take place during PLT Oct 24th AND afterschool on October 26th in the library.**

We will also be providing **GLA 12 support sessions** for those students who are not currently enrolled in English First Peoples 12 or any other English class. In these support sessions, we will be going over the structure of the assessment, the type of response required for each section, and some "tips" for responding to each section with Ms. Loren in Room C203. All grade 12's are invited to the sessions, but those students who currently have English 12 or English First Peoples 12 will also be receiving this information in their regular classes. These sessions will take place **during PLT on October 19, October 24 and October 26.**

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