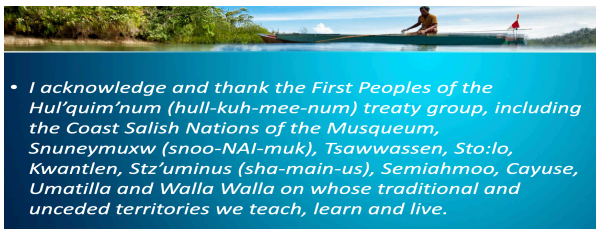




# FAMILY WAAG OCTOBER 23 – 27, 2023

Monday Oct. 23	Tuesday Oct. 24	Wednesday Oct. 25	Thursday Oct. 26	Friday Oct. 27
ABCD  ADST 8 ROTATION 2	PLT – ABCD  GLA 10 Prep in the library during PLT GLA 12 Prep in C203 during PLT	ABCD  Collaboration Day <i>(late start 9:30am)</i>	PLT – ABCD  GLA 12 Prep in C203 during PLT GLA 10 Prep in the Library Afterschool	ABCD



*• 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-NAL-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.*

### "TRICK OR TREAT" OTHERS WITH RESPECT

Halloween should and needs to be fun; however, we need to be aware that celebrating Halloween needs to be fun for all. Halloween offers an opportunity to have meaningful conversations about costume choices with colleagues and students and requires consideration. It is important to keep in mind that we need to be sensitive to groups that have been marginalized through mimicry and cultural appropriation during Halloween and other 'dress up' events. A few things to keep in mind:

**The following are NOT Costumes:**

**RACE** (*black face/brown face*)

**CULTURE** (*Indigenous regalia/dreadlocks*)

**RELIGIOUS FAITH** (*religious figures/gods/saints/gurus/hijab*)

**GENDER** (*gender switching for humour or to mock*)

**TRAUMA** (*hangman's noose/weapons*)

### TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK DAY (GR 9s) NOV 1<sup>st</sup>

Since 1994, Take Our Kids to Work Day has grown from a regional program into a nation-wide project involving more than 200,000 Grade 9 students and 75,000 workplaces. Career Education curriculum supports students as they begin to identify and develop personal interests, passions and competencies. Learning from work-related experiences help to foster this growing awareness. On Nov 1<sup>st</sup>, Grade 9 students across Canada will go to work with a parent, relative or adult family friend. **Consent forms have been emailed home to be completed and returned by email or to the office by Oct 27<sup>th</sup>.** Any student who does not want to participate will attend school as usual.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

- Oct 23: ADST 8 Rotation
- Oct 24: GLA 10 & 12 Prep Sessions in PLT
- Oct 25: Collaboration Day late start 9:30am
- Oct 26: Prep Sessions GLA 10 (afterschool)
- Oct 26: GLA 12 (PLT)
- Oct 30 & 31: GLA 10
- Nov 1-3: GLA 12
- Nov 1: Grade 9 Take our Kids to Work Day

### AP EXAMS

AP Exam ordering information for the 2023-2024 school information is also posted on the McMath school website 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 3<sup>rd</sup>.** 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. This information is on our school website and posted outside the office. It is important to be on time, if not early for these exams.

### (GLA 10 & 12) SUPPORT/PREP SESSIONS

**GLA 10** during PLT Oct 24<sup>th</sup> and afterschool on Oct 26<sup>th</sup> in the library.

**GLA 12** during PLT on Oct 24<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> in Ms. Loren's room C203.

### TRAFFIC CONGESTION

Being a large school with nearly 1300 people, the beginning and the end of the day is very busy with traffic. A few reports and observations to be mindful of:

- \*Many cars are going too fast, **on school property, please drive 10 km/hr**
  - \*Lots of drivers are on their phone while driving. Please put the phone down
  - \*Do not park in the Wheelchair parking spots to pick up and drop off unless you have a pass
  - \*Do not park or wait in the back parking lot by curbs. School buses need more space and access.
  - \***Many students are being dropped off after school starts. Often 100 vehicles drop off after the bell. It is important to be on time or even early.** Rainy days are even busier, please give yourself extra time to get to school.
  - \*School is open at 7:30, we have free wifi and the servery has breakfast items available.
- Please drive safely and model proper driving habits for our students. Thank you for your cooperation.

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THE WILDCAT WAAG