



THE WILDCAT WAAG

FAMILY WAAG May 13th - 17th, 2024

Monday May 13	Tuesday May 14	Wednesday May 15	Thursday May 16	Friday May 17
FEHG Gr 12 Capstone Projects Due	PLT – FEHG	FEHG	PLT – FEHG Spring Showcase 6:30 -8:45pm	Pro D-Day School Closed <i>International Day against Homophobia, Biphobia & Transphobia (IDAHOBIT)</i>



• I acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the Hul'q'um'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.

FAMILY SMARTS: MAY 14

Family Smart Peer Support Workers will be hosting an in-person event at Grauer Elementary School library for parents and caregivers in Richmond on Emotion Regulation on May 14, 2024. Registration is required. For more information, please see attached flyer. For more information on how to access support services in Cantonese, English, Mandarin, and Punjabi, please see the attached flyer.

INTERNET ACCESS FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES

Telus is working in partnership with school districts and the provincial government to offer 'Internet for Good' to provide low-income families with the connectivity they need to succeed. Families must have children under the age of majority and be currently receiving the maximum Canada Child Benefit to be eligible. Please see the attachment for more information. Families can apply directly to Telus and no longer require a code from the district.

AI SUPPORTS

New resources are available for the education sector to support local considerations and decision-making regarding the use of AI tools in K-12 schools in BC. The Digital literacy and the use of AI in education: supports for British Columbia schools web page (<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/program-management/ai-in-education?>)

DATES TO REMEMBER

- May 13: Capstone Projects Due
- May 15: Gauss Math Contest
- May 16: Spring Showcase 6:30-8:45pm
- May 17: *International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia & Transphobia (IDAHOBIT)*
- May 17: Pro D-Day – School Closed
- May 20: Victoria Day – School Closed
- May 21: PAC Meeting 7pm

SPRING SHOWCASE May 16th @6:30-8:45pm

We are excited to host our Annual Spring Showcase event again this year on May 16th. A celebration of Fashion, Music, Fine Arts and Applied Skills. Admission is free! We will have a wide selection of displays around the school, with items for sale (cash only) along with a Fashion Show, Dance Performance and Musical performances. Come out and enjoy the fun filled event.

MAY 17th IDAHOBIT

The **International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia (IDAHOBIT)** is observed on May 17th and aims to coordinate international events that raise awareness of LGBT+ rights violations and stimulate interest in LGBT rights work worldwide. By 2016 the commemorations had taken place in over 130 countries. The founders of the International Day Against Homophobia, as it was originally known, established the IDAHO Committee to coordinate grass-roots actions in different countries, to promote the day and to lobby for official recognition on May 17. That date was chosen to commemorate the decision to remove homosexuality from the International Classification of Disease of the World Health Organization (WHO) in 1990.

MCMATH DRY AFTER GRAD (DAG)

Help us get our party started!

McMath Dry After Grad (DAG) is an all-night, fun, and inclusive event for all. We're ready to roll out the red carpet and welcome our graduates into the school for a night of fun on Thursday, June 27th, but need volunteer parents/caregivers from future grads and Gr. 12 to make it all happen. Please click on our volunteer sign-up sheet and consider signing up for a shift (or two!) <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4BA9A62CA0FCCF8-48943626-mcmath>

STUDENT AND FAMILY AFFORDABILITY FUND

This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs: school fees, supplies, field trips, clothing and footwear for sports and activities. Please reach out to Mr. Johnstone (johnstone@sd38.bc.ca) and Ms. McGarry (emcgarry@sd38.bc.ca) if you are in need of assistance. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

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