



FAMILY WAAG DECEMBER 16 - 20, 2024

Monday Dec. 16	Tuesday Dec. 17	Wednesday Dec. 18	Thursday Dec. 19	Friday Dec. 20
BADC	PLT – BADC	CT – BADC Collaboration Day <i>School Starts at 9:30am</i>	PLT - BADC	BADC 7am Winter Festival & Breakfast with Santa (Doors open at 6:45am) <i>Alternate Bell Schedule</i>

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the han'q'amín'am' language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live, and upon where the Musqueam people continue their traditions and cultural education. We acknowledge the ancestors, those who have walked before us, and thank them for their stewardship of this beautiful place. We acknowledge the Elders, the knowledge keepers, and counsellors of traditional teachings. We acknowledge children from all parts of the world, all nations. We are inspired by the vibrancy of your youth and we commit to continually striving to make the world we borrow from you a more peaceful, loving and safe place in which to learn, live and love.



PERSONAL LEARNING TIME

We encourage students to review the PLT schedule posted on the McMath website on Monday to plan their PLT on Tuesday and Thursday. PLT is designed to provide extra learning support for all students in all subject areas. All students are expected to use this gift of time wisely and make choices that will benefit their learning.

HEALTH AWARENESS

A friendly reminder that as we enter the flu season, that if you are not feeling well, please stay home. Take the time to rest and let your body heal while helping us control the spread of illnesses.

ATTENTION GR. 12s: VALEDICTORY GOWNS – Dec. 23

Grad gowns are worn by grads at the year-end Valedictory Ceremony. Grad gown packages for the June 11, 2025 Valedictory Ceremony at UBC's Chan Centre will need to be pre-ordered. Each McMath graduate must complete a very brief online survey to provide information regarding their grad gown sizing. Please note that if you do not provide your information, we cannot order a grad gown package for you. **Grads, we ask that you please complete the survey by December 23, 2024.** The online survey will only take a few minutes and can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

INCLEMENT WEATHER – School Closure Notification

With the possibility of snow in the upcoming weather forecast, we ask that all McMath families review the district's [information on emergencies & inclement weather](#). The district will try to determine school closures due to inclement weather by 6:30am. Updates will be delivered using social media and school and district websites.

- District website: www.sd38.bc.ca
- District Twitter: <https://twitter.com/RichmondSD38>
- District Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/RichmondSD38>
- AM Radio: CKNW 980, CBC 690, AM 730, News 1130, CHMB 1320, Fairchild 1470, Radio India 1600
- FM Radio: CBC 88.1, QMFM 103.5
- Television: CBC, Global, CTV, Fairchild

FAMILY SMART SESSION – Jan 9

Integrated Child and Youth Family Peer Support Workers invite parents and caregivers to come together to connect and learn.
Topic: Teens and Depression. **Date:** January 9, 2025
Time: 6:30 – 8:00pm **Location:** McMath Secondary School (Library)

GR. 12 LTF GRADUATION ASSESSMENT

All grads who are working towards a dual diploma are required to complete the LTF assessment. Note that both the oral and written portions of the assessment must be completed in the same assessment session. **LTF prep sessions will be offered in room 22110 during PLT on Tuesday, December 17th and Thursday, December 19th.**

The schedule with the dates, times and location for the LTF assessment is posted outside of the main office and outside of the library learning commons. Please check the list to find out when you scheduled to complete the two required components of the LTF. If your name is missing from the schedule, please notify Mr. Banta in the main office as soon as possible.

STUDENTS WITH INCOMPLETE, EMERGING OR INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE

Final evaluations of student learning for Semester 1 will occur in late January 2025. On December 13th, a small number of our students will have received an "At-Risk Learning Completion Plan" because they are not yet meeting expectation in their courses and are at risk of not completing the Learning Standards by the end of the semester. These plans detail the learning that must be demonstrated to successfully meet the Learning Standards for the course, and thus successfully complete it. These reports were e-mailed home with the expectation that students will engage in the necessary steps to improve their standing.

LAST DAY OF CLASSES BEFORE WINTER BREAK – Dec. 20

Friday, December 20th is the last day of school before the Winter Break. We will be running an alternate bell schedule with an earlier start and dismissal time that day.

- 7:00am – 8:25am Winter Festival & Breakfast with Santa
- 8:30am – 9:30am Block B
- 9:35am – 10:35am Block A
- 10:35am – 10:45am Break
- 10:50am – 11:50am Block D
- 11:55am – 12: 55pm Block C

IT'S TIME FOR DAG 2025!

Dry After Grad 2025 (DAG) organizing committee is in need of more parents and caregivers to lend a hand – or two – to organize a fun, inclusive and drug/alcohol-free event for our grads. Please email mcmathdag2025@gmail.com or connect with DAG 2025 chair Trudi Beutel directly if interested at 604.813.1326.

MCMATH ATHLETICS!

Please check the [@mcmathathletics](#) on Instagram for up-to-date info regarding tryouts for school sports.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Dec. 18 Collaboration Day (9:30am School Starts)
- Dec. 20 Breakfast with Santa (alternate bell schedule)
Last day of school before Winter Break begins!
- Jan. 6 Welcome back! School Reopens
- Jan. 8 Connexions Class #2 in Homeroom Class
- Jan. 14-17 Gr. 12 LTF Graduation Assessment

École Secondaire R.A. McMath Secondary School

4251 Garry St., Richmond, BC V7E 2T9 | Ph: 604.718.4050 | Early warning: 604-718-4004 | E: mcmath@sd38.bc.ca | W: mcmath.sd38.bc.ca |
Follow Us on X (Twitter) & Instagram!

THE WILDCAT WAAG