



FAMILY WAAG FEBRUARY 10 – 14, 2025

Monday Feb. 10	Tuesday Feb. 11	Wednesday Feb. 12	Thursday Feb. 13	Friday Feb. 14
EFGH	PLT-EFGH 8:30am Course Request – MyEd Session with Counsellors (rm 12131)	EFGH	PLT-EFGH 6pm Gr. 7 Information Night 7:15pm Gr. 8-11 Parent Information Night	Pro-D Day (School Closed)

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 whose 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.

RICHMOND INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

Be a host for an international student for a month, semester or year. Richmond International Education (RIE) Homestay Program is looking for local families to offer a welcoming home. Please see more information [HERE](#).

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE PLAN

As in previous years, families can choose to purchase an optional student accident insurance plan for their children through the "InsureMyKids®" program, underwritten by Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada. The "InsureMyKids®" accident insurance program offers protection against the potentially high costs of any injury resulting from unexpected accidents and is especially valuable for families who:

- do not have medical or dental plans.
- have limited plans, as it may help supplement health and dental benefits.
- have active children who enjoy sports and outdoor activities.

To purchase a student accident insurance plan, families can visit www.insuremykids.com, or speak with an Old Republic Canada customer service representative at 1-800-463-5437.

GRAD MOBILE PHOTO STUDIO

Attention Grads! The Artona Grad Mobile Lab will be coming to McMath from February 12th – 21st. There will be a trailer set up between the main building and the gym.

If you have not booked your session, please do so ASAP at <https://artona.com/schools/MMAT>. The photos taken during these sittings are used for our yearbook, grad composite that is displayed in the hallways of McMath, and the photos displayed during the Valedictory Ceremony in June.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Artona directly or the school office at mcmath@sd38.bc.ca.

PINK SHIRT DAY – Feb. 26

Pink Shirt Day is about recognizing and cultivating a community of kindness. We will have a LIMITED number of McMath Pink Shirts available for sale. More information to come.

2025-2026 PROGRAM PLANNING: Feb. 6-19

Students in Grades 8-11 received their program planning session with counsellors on February 5th. There will be a Gr. 8-11 Caregiver Information Night at 7:15pm February 13th. We encourage caregivers to attend and ask questions. Counsellors and our Career Advisor, Ms. Carter, are available during the day for students to seek out additional support if needed. **We ask that you review their course selections together before finalizing their schedule for the next school year. Once courses are identified, we ask students to enter their selections into their MyEd BC account between Feb. 6-19. Timetabling (the number of sections of each course) is based on the course requests made by students in February. It is essential that students consider the task of choosing courses as a major responsibility because the choices that they make determine the master timetable. Once the master timetable is built, course changes become much more difficult; thus, it is very important that the selection of courses be done carefully.** Students do NOT need to hand in a paper copy of their requested courses this year.

S1 LEARNING SUMMARIES – Feb. 7

Final evaluations of student learning for Semester 1 courses were published in [MyEd BC](#) on February 7th. Caregivers, please take the time to review the report with your teens and set goals for Semester 2.

FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Black History Month in Canada is an annual celebration held in February to honour the rich cultural heritage, achievements, and contributions of Black Canadians to the country's history and society. It provides an opportunity to reflect on the ongoing struggles against systemic racism and to recognize the resilience and accomplishments of Black communities in shaping Canada's past, present, and future.

The Richmond Public Library is offering a variety of FREE programs suitable for various audience. For more information, [click here](#).

MCMATH ATHLETICS!

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Feb. 10 KPU Langley Campus Discovery Day (11am-2pm)
- Feb. 13 Gr. 7 Parent Info Night (6pm Gym)
- Gr. 8-11 McMath Parent Info Night – Program Planning (7:15pm Gym)
- BCIT Burnaby Campus Information Night (4-7pm)
- Feb. 18 PAC Meeting (7pm)
- Feb. 25 Corpus Christi Presentation (8:30am Rotunda)
- Feb. 26 Collaboration Day (school starts at 9:30am)
- Pink Shirt Day
- Explore CapU North Vancouver Campus Info Night (5:30-8pm)
- Mar. 5 SD38 Dual-Credit Career Program Q&A (Lunch Rm 11205)
- Mar. 7 S2 Learning Interim Reports (e-mailed home)
- Mar. 9 Daylight Savings (clocks 1-hour ahead)
- Mar. 12 Collaboration Day (school starts at 9:30am)
- Mar. 17-30 Spring Break

"All great achievements require time."

-Maya Angelou

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