

THE WILDCAT WAA

FAMILY WAAG SEPTEMBER 15 – 19, 2025

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Sept. 15	Sept. 16	Sept. 17	Sept. 18	Sept. 19
ABCD	Photo Day	A-PLT-BCD PLT in Homeroom Class Langara Presentation (lunch 11205)	ABCD University of Calgary (Lunch 11205)	A-PLT-BCD 3:15pm Grad Kick Off 5:30pm Gr. 12 Parent Night 6:30pm Meet the Teacher	ABCD Grade 8 Day

PERSONAL LEARNING TIME INFORMATION

All secondary schools in the Richmond School District have moved their PLT to the second period of the day. This adjustment offers better support for students in accessing the learning opportunities available during PLT. PLT at McMath will take place on Tuesday and Thursdays. PLT for this school year begins on Tuesday, Sept. 9th. During the scheduled PLT times on Sept. 9th, 11th, and 16th, all students will report to their homeroom classes. During these three homeroom sessions, all students and staff will engage in school wide activities to set up PLT for the year. Students will be required to use their Richmond School District login credentials to access the online system and register. Participation in PLT at school will be mandatory for all students and attendance will be taken. Beginning with the September 18th PLT, students will be able to select the sessions that they would like to attend. We are looking forward to helping students get set up for success with PLT this year! We want you to make the most of PLT, Wildcats!

PHOTO DAY - Sept. 15

A reminder that Monday, Sept. 15th is Photo Day! Artona will be at McMath to take school photos. Students will be called down for their photo during the first part of the day in grade and alphabetical groups, starting with Grade 12 students.

The photograph that is taken on Monday will be used for your official school identification card, which will be used to access a range of grad and other school related events, library book sign outs, transit discounts, etc.

As it is going to be used to create an official school ID, students are reminded that when being photographed they may not be wearing any accessory or item which may be seen to alter their identity, such as wigs, glasses (if not normally worn), hats, etc. Please be prepared to take a nice photo for your school ID card. We look forward to seeing your smiles!

<u>CAREER CENTRE - POST SECONDARY</u> PLANNING

Visit Ms. Carter, Career Advisor, in our Career Centre or her website for upcoming student presentations and information related to post-secondary planning (click here).

SCHOOL VISITOR PROCEDURES

A friendly reminder that all visitors (this includes parents) are to report to the school office upon their arrival.

Parents/guardians wishing to speak with a teacher or counsellor are asked to book an appointment with the staff member in advance. When arriving for your appointment, the staff member will meet you in the school's front office. Students are not to invite outside friends to visit them at school; these visits should be arranged off school property.

STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child will be late or absent for the day or an extended period of time, it is very IMPORTANT to let the office know. You can notify the office by...

Ph: 604-718-4004 Email: <u>mcmath@sd38.bc.ca</u>

LEAVING THE SCHOOL

If you are leaving the school for any reason, you MUST sign out of the office before you leave. Upon your return, please sign back in at the office. This is for the safety and wellbeing of each of our students at McMath. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

SCHOOL START TIME

As we start this school year, as a school community, we would like to continue to focus on supporting our students' learning and emphasize the importance of punctuality to ensure a successful and productive day for everyone. *Classes begin promptly at 8:30am.* To support out school's goal of maintaining a structured learning environment, we kindly request your assistance in ensuring that students arrive at school on time.

If you are driving your teen to school for pick up or drop off, we recommend avoiding the peak rush times (8:15am-8:30am and 2:45-3pm) as much as possible.

Arriving on time helps students settle in, focus, and make the most of their learning experience.

SCHOOL BASED CLUB APPLICATION

McMath students who would like to apply to run a school-based club this year are invited to complete a club application form. The form can be picked up in the school's main office. All school-based clubs must reapply each year, whether they have run previously or not. School based clubs may not start meeting until they have been approved. If you are interested in applying to run a school-based club, please read and return a completed application form to the school's main office by 3pm Friday, Sept. 19. Applicants will be notified of the status of their applications once all applications are reviewed.

STUDENT VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Students who are licensed to drive and would like to park a vehicle at school during the school day are required to complete and submit a McMath vehicle registration form (attached). Once completed this form must be submitted to the school's main office before parking at the school. These forms are also available in the main office. Once approved, students may only park in their parking lot along the east side of the school next to the gyms. Please remember that driving rules a privilege and it is expected that all drivers will obey all driving rules and regulations as set out by the Province of British Columbia. Thank you for doing your part to help keep our school grounds safe for everyone!

GR. 12 PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT AND MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT – Sept. 18

Parents and guardians of our Grade 12 students are invited to an information night for all things graduation on Thursday, September 18 at 5:30pm.

Parents/guardians of students in Grades 8-12 are invited to meet your teen's teacher at our annual Meet the Teacher Night which will begin at 6:30pm. Click here for more information.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

If families require financial assistance for school fees, field trips, food security, etc. please call or email Ms. Vaughan (avaughan@sd38.bc.ca) for details. It is important to us that all our students are able to focus on their learning and participate in school events without financial barriers.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept. 15 Photo Day

Sept. 18 Grad Kick Off, Gr. 12 Parent Night (5:30pm)

Meet the Teacher Night (6:30pm)

Sept. 19 Grade 8 Day!

Sept. 22 Pro-D Day (school closed)

Sept. 24 Collaboration Day (9:30am school start)