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| Monday Oct. 20 | Tuesday Oct. 21 | Wednesday Oct. 22 | Thursday Oct. 23 | Friday Oct. 24 | |
| ABCD | A-PLT-BCD 7pm PAC Virtual Meeting | Conference Day #1 In Homeroom Class | A-PLT-BCD Suggested Marks Cut-Off for Semester 1 Midterm Learning Update | Pro-D Day School Closed | |

PERSONAL LEARNING TIME

Click here to view PLT sessions.

Friendly reminders:

- . Students: log in using your MS Teams credentials
- PLT is mandatory for all students
- Students must be in a learning space during PLT
- Select sessions with your Semester 1 teacher only
- If you select multiple sessions, only the last one will be saved
- Plan ahead and sign up before PLT begins.

CONFERENCE DAY - Oct. 22

Our first Conference Day is on Wednesday, October 22, 2025. All students are expected to be present as we learn about Wellness, Mental Health, Discrimination, Physical Health, Time Management, Financial Literacy, and Empathy. Students will report to their homeroom class starting at 8:30am. All assignments are due on October 29, 2025 in Microsoft Teams.

LANGUAGE CHALLENGE EXAMS - Oct. 23

Language Challenge Exams are available as a way for students to earn credit for languages they can speak, read, and write. The languages that are eligible are: American Sign Language 11, Farsi 11/12, French 11/12, Japanese 11/12, Korean 11/12, Mandarin 11/12, Punjabi 11/12, and Spanish 11/12.

If your child is interested in writing an exam to earn elective credit towards their graduation, please direct them to see their counsellor. information. more

https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/schools/secondary/challenge-exams. Completed applications are due to school counsellors by Oct. 23.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) EXAMS - Nov. 3

McMath students may register for AP exams at McMath Secondary. The following exams will be offered at McMath this year: AP Calculus AB/BC, AP Chinese Language and Culture, and AP Studio Art (portfolio). The deadline for all registrations and payment of AP exams is 3pm November 3, 2025. For more information, go to the McMath website. Students interested in writing other AP exams, click here.

GR. 10-12: PARENTS AS EDUCATION AND CAREER COACHES - Nov. 20

Educational Planner BC invites parents, families, and student supporters to join their virtual presentation from 6:30-7:45pm on November 20, 2025. Learn about post-secondary education and career opportunities, as well as tools to best support your child in planning for their future. Search thousands of programs, get to know trades, and discover career paths. Find helpful resources, including financial aid options, admission requirements, and FAOs, Learn how to create an account, save programs, paths, and careers to My List and apply to post-secondary in B.C. Click here to register.

GR. 10-11: CAREER PROGRAMS INFO NIGHT - Nov. 25

Learn about our dual credit programs and courses in both trades and art/science faculties online from 6:30-7:30pm on November 25. Click here to register.

FLU/COLD SEASON

As flu/cold season is upon us, it is important to take care of your health. If you are feeling sick, monitor your symptoms and stay home if needed to rest and recover.

HALLOWEEN COSTUMES

Halloween can be fun; however, we need to be aware that celebrating Halloween needs to be fun for ALL and not at the expense of equity seeking groups. 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. Please guide your teen's decision making to ensure their Halloween costume is appropriate. We must ensure Halloween costumes are safe and respectful. This message will be shared with students via school announcements as we approach Halloween.

Halloween costumes may be unsuitable if they contain any of these elements:

- Weapons even fake ones are not allowed at school as part of their costume
- Cultural or racial stereotypes includes black face/brown face, Indigenous regalia, dreadlocks, etc.
- Masks that cover one's face
- Religious faith e.g. religious figures, gods, saints, gurus, hijab, etc.
- Gender gender switching for humour or to mock
- Trauma e.g. hangman's noose/weapons, etc.

If your teen is unsure about their costume, please check in with administration.

PAC VIRTUAL MEETING - Oct. 21

Please join the McMath PAC for their first meeting of the school year via Zoom at 7pm October 21. School Trustee Vice Chair, David Yang, will be joining with district updates and answer questions. If you have not signed up for PAC emails, forward an email to mcmathpac@gmail.com.

GR. 9 TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK - Nov. 5

Gr. 9 Take Our Kids to Work, a landmark Canadian program dedicated to inspiring the next generation of leaders, returns on Wednesday, November 5. This year's theme, Lift Up the Future, is a call to support young people as they explore their paths and imagine the world they want to build.

On November 5th, Gr. 9 students will go to work with a parent, relative, or adult friend. Some students may go with a classmate's parent. Parent letter and permission form as well as a resource guide for reference will be mailed home. Hard copies of the parent letter and permission form are also available in the school office.

Students are asked to return the permission form to their Block A teacher no later than Friday, October 31st. Students who do not submit a permission form will be expected to be in attendance at school on November 5th.

McMATH ATHLETICS!

Stay up to date on all information regarding McMath Athletics at @mcmathwildcatathletics on Instragram.

UPCOMING DATES

- Oct. 21 PAC Meeting (7pm)
- Oct. 22 Conference Day #1 (in homeroom class)
- Oct. 24 Pro - D Day (School Closed)
- Oct. 27-31 STUCO Hallow Week
- Oct. 29 Collaboration Day (9:30am School Start)
- Nov. 3-4 **Graduation Numeracy Assessment 10**
- Nov. 5-7 **Graduation Literacy Assessment 12**
- Remembrance Day (School Closed) Nov. 12 Block Rotation (BADC)

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