



WILDCAT FAMILY WAAG

FAMILY WAAG JANUARY 26 – 30, 2026

Monday Jan. 26	Tuesday Jan. 27	Wednesday Jan. 28	Thursday Jan. 29	Friday Jan. 30
Learning Completion Day	Learning Completion Day	CT-EFGH SEMESTER 2 BEGINS Collaboration Day (9:30am School Start)	E-PLT-FGH Gr. 8 PLT in Homeroom Class	EFGH

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.

Parents/Guardians, please help us support your child with their learning. Ask them to show you what they have signed up for the coming sessions. This would go a long way to help students organize their time. Students can sign up several sessions in advance.

ACTION ITEM: SCHOOL PARKING LOT/TRAFFIC SAFETY

As a reminder, it takes all of us being traffic aware to ensure that our students, staff and parents are safe on our school grounds. We know how busy traffic can be in and around our school during peak times. There have been several near misses, incidents of cars driving too fast in our parking lot and, unfortunately, one recent incident of a driver caused injury to a pedestrian on Garry Street.

We continue to work diligently to get the message out to our entire community that everyone must follow all traffic regulations when accessing the school grounds.

Some important things to keep in mind include:

- follow posted school zone speed limits on the road from dawn to dusk
- slow down when in the driveway and parking lot
- do not use surrounding complexes or driveways to drop off/pick up your child
- no left turns can be made out of the school driveway during peak traffic times, at the start and end of the school day. **These times are 8:10am-9:45am and 2:45pm-3:20pm.**

We have also asked our RCMP partners to assist us with this. Administration will also be outside to help remind everyone as often as possible, but we need everyone's help with this. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

LEARNING COMPLETION DAYS – January 26-27

As we wrap up the end of Semester 1, some students may have been asked to schedule time with their teachers during the Learning Completion Days on January 26 and 27 to successfully complete their coursework.

SEMESTER 2 STUDENT SCHEDULES

Student semester 2 schedules were e-mailed home on Thursday, January 22. We look forward to a fresh new semester, new learning goals, and opportunities to be involved in school and student life at McMath. Listen to the announcements for extracurricular club and athletic opportunities.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER SUPPORT

All ELL students are encouraged to attend PLT with an ELL teacher at least twice a month to get additional support.

STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY – May 1

The 2025-26 Student Learning Survey is now open and will remain available until May 1, 2026. The survey is open to students in grades 4, 7, and 10-12, as well as parents. [Click here](#) to complete the parent survey.

NEW DRIVER AUTHORIZATION PROCESS

The process of volunteering as a parent/community member to drive students for school related curricular and/or extracurricular events has been updated. Going forward all drivers will be required to complete a Criminal Records Check through the RCMP (this is a process done electronically), and provide a copy of their car insurance showing the vehicle is insured with at least \$1M third party liability coverage. If you have any questions, kindly contact the school office.

DISTRICT LEARNING TIME (DLT)

The use of artificial intelligence (AI) continues to expand rapidly, influencing not only education but society as a whole. As AI becomes increasingly integrated into our daily lives, it is important to recognize both its potential as a powerful tool and the limitations and risks it presents. As part of a district-wide initiative, secondary students across Richmond will engage in a series of learning sessions focused on the **safe, ethical, and effective use of AI**. The school district selected Thursdays to be a common PLT day for all high schools with the intention to offer presentations to students across the district.

The following district sessions below will take place during Homeroom on the specified dates.

Date:	Theme:	Topic:
Feb. 12	Getting the Most Out of AI	AI Enhanced Communication
Apr. 2	Fostering Creativity through AI	AI as a Creative Partner: Supporting the Creative Process
May. 21	Fostering Creativity through AI	AI as a Creative Partner: Supporting Creative Production

McMATH ATHLETICS!

Stay up to date on all information regarding McMath Athletics at [@mcmathwildcatathletics](#) on Instagram. We appreciate the support of our student athletes by our community during games. *A friendly reminder that air horns are not permitted during games and will be confiscated if seen or heard.*

UPCOMING DATES

Jan. 26-27	Semester 1 Learning Completion Days
Jan. 28	Collaboration Day (9:30am school start)
	Semester 2 Begins
Feb. 6	Semester 1 Learning Summary Published in MyEd
Feb. 7-14	Grad Portraits - Artona Mobile Studio (Click here to book)
Feb. 11	Conference Day #2
	Gr. 8-11 Program Planning
	Gr. 12 Group Photo
Feb. 12	Gr. 7 Parent Information Night (5:30pm)
	Gr. 8-11 McMath Parent Information Night (6:45pm)
Feb. 23-27	McMath Drama Production
Feb. 25	Collaboration Day (9:30am school start)
	Pink Shirt Day
	Pascal, Cayley, Fermat Math Contests
Mar. 4	Connexions Class #3 (in Homeroom class)
Mar. 6	S2 Interim Reports E-Mailed Home
Mar. 9	Gr. 9/10 Immunization Clinic
Mar. 10-11	Gr. 7 Feeder Basketball Tournament
Mar. 11	Collaboration Day (9:30am school start)
Mar. 12	ADST 8 Rotation 2 Begins
Mar. 16-27	Spring Break

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