



SEPTEMBER 21 – 25, 2026

Monday Sept 21	Tuesday Sept 22	Wednesday Sept 23	Thursday Sept 24	Friday Sept 25
ABCD Photo Day	A-PLT-BCD Grade 8 Day	CT-ABCD Collaboration Day-Classes begin at 9:30am Grad Kick Off Event @ McMath @ 3:30pm Happy 28 th Birthday, McMath!	A-PLT-BCD Gr 12 Assembly During PLT Meet the Teacher @ 5pm Gr 8 Parent Info Night @ 6:45pm	Pro-D Day (No School for Students)

REMINDER- STUDENT PARKING REGISTRATION

A friendly reminder to all students who are authorized to drive that if you wish to park at the school during the school day, you must complete a parking registration form. These forms can be picked up in the main office. All fields on the form must be completed. Once completed, forms should be submitted to the main office. Once approved, student drivers and parents/caregivers will be sent a confirmation email. If you have any questions, please feel free to email or see Mr. Banta. Thank you to those who have already completed this process.

PERSONALIZED LEARNING TIME (PLT) REMINDERS FOR STUDENTS

PLT is formal instructional time built into the school's schedule on Tuesday's and Thursday's each week. All students are required to sign up for and attend PLT sessions. It is the responsibility of all students to make sure they have signed up for their PLT sessions.

Currently, students sign-up for PLT sessions on paper with their teachers. Teachers have paper copies of the sign-up sheets. Before the end of the day each Monday, students should sign up with one of your teachers on both PLT days. A schedule of PLT sessions is posted on the school website for students to refer to.

Some important PLT reminders for all students:

- Attendance in PLT is mandatory for all students.
- PLT is instructional time.
- Attendance is taken by staff. Please be on time. If you must be away, your parents/caregiver must call the office and excuse you.
- All students must sign up for the PLT sessions being offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Quiet study is available in the library learning commons and in the rotunda for **grade 11 and 12 students**. These spaces are for **quiet study/work only**, and will be limited to 30 students each.
- The maximum enrollment for each PLT session in the gym is 30 students.** Students not enrolled as one of the 30 students in the gym will be required to sign up with one of their other current semester teachers.
- The digital device policy applies during PLT.
- Students may only sign up for PLT sessions with their current semester teachers, unless previous arrangements have been made with their teacher(s).
- If a teacher has an "X" on the PLT schedule, that means they have a prep at that time and are not available for PLT during that session. If your teacher has a prep on a particular day, students must sign up with one of your other teachers.
- Sign up for your PLT sessions early!

STAY UP TO DATE ON SCHOOL EVENTS

Students and parents/caregivers can stay up to date on the latest school events, opportunities and deadlines by checking the school website (mcmath.sd38.bc.ca). Additionally, weekly Family WAAG's will be posted on the school website by the Sunday before the start of each week. We encourage our families to regularly check the website for the latest news. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the main office.

Soon a notice will be sent directly to grads and their families which outlines all of the grad events and considerations for this school year. Please keep an eye out for that email.

TRAFFIC AND ARRIVAL TIMES AT SCHOOL

On each regular school day, the warning bell to begin classes rings at 8:25am. At 8:30am classroom instruction begins. Students are expected to be in class ready to learn by 8:30am. Regular on time attendance is needed for student success in school. When students arrive late to class, they are missing valuable instruction which not only impacts their learning but potentially the learning of others in the classroom. When students arrive late, they also often begin the day feeling rushed and less ready to learn. We ask that students and families please organize their schedules in the morning to allow the time needed to ensure arrival at school with enough time to be in class by 8:30am.

Students are encouraged to walk, ride or take transit as much as possible. If it is necessary to drive, please keep in mind that the traffic along Garry Street between 8:15am-8:40am can often be very busy and may delay arrival at school. We also ask that you help us to be a considerate neighbour by not blocking the driveways of the homes in the neighbourhood around the school when arriving at school. Residents may also be trying to leave their homes to go to work in the morning.

In accordance with the signage located at the end of the school driveway please note that drivers should not be turning left onto Garry Street during the peak times at the start and end of each school day.

This traffic calming measure is in place to help increase safety for pedestrians and cyclists who may be crossing the road. It is also designed to help keep the traffic leaving the school parking lot, at these times, moving. As often as possible, school administration will be there to assist with this process. Please note, however, that staff are not able to be there at all times. We ask our community members to help by doing their part to comply with this traffic initiative each day. We greatly appreciate your assistance with this.

MEET THE TEACHER/GRADE 8 INFORMATION NIGHT

Meet the Teacher Evening on September 24th will begin with the first block at 5pm. Each block will be allocated approximately 8 minutes before parents/caregivers are asked to move to their child's next class. Parents/caregivers who will be joining us for this evening, are asked to arrive with enough time to get to their child's first period class at 5pm.

Following the Meet the Teacher portion of the evening, grade 8 parents/caregivers are invited to join McMath's counselling and administration staff in the large gym for an information session.

We look forward to having you join us on Thursday evening!

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 21	Photo Day
Sept 22	Grade 8 Day
Sept 23	Collaboration Day (9:30am classes start) McMath's Birthday! Grad Kick Off Event @ 3:30pm Post Secondary Institutions Fair for students (Rotunda) @ lunch Meet the Teacher Night (5pm)/Gr 8 Parent Info Night
Sept 24	Pro-D Day (no classes for students)
Sept 25	Gr 12 Virtual Parent/Caregiver Information Evening @ 5:30pm
Sept 28.	Orange Shirt Day
Sept 29	Grad Boat Cruise
Sept 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (school closed)

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