



FAMILY WAAG

MAY 9 – MAY 13, 2022

Monday May 9	Tuesday May 10	Wednesday May 11	Thursday May 12	Friday May 13
EFGH 8am Calculus AP Exam	Conference Day #2 Report to your Homeroom StuCO Pep Rally	PLT-EF 8am Mandarin AP Exam	PLT-GH Grades 9 & 10 Immunization Clinic #2	EFGH 12pm Physics AP Exam ADST 8 Rotation 3

HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATE

McMath will continue to follow Health and Safety protocols as directed by the latest Provincial Health Order. It is very important to attend to the Daily Health Check each morning and stay home if you're sick. For the Daily Health Check, go to: shorturl.at/iAC05

PLT – May 11th & 12th

If your teen is falling behind in a class or needs extra support, please encourage them to make good use of the PLT sessions so that they are all caught up and have no missing work.

2022-2023 SCHOOL MODEL

Thank you for engaging in the Secondary Structures process to help determine the best model for our school for next year. As you know, students, families, and staff participated in the secondary structures survey process which provided schools and the district with insight into perspectives regarding organizational structures such as the timetable and Personal Learning Time (PLT).

The comments you provided were very helpful as our staff worked through a thorough process to determine next year's model. Personal Learning Time (PLT) will continue, for a reduced amount of time, 60 minutes (not 100), twice a week, before first period, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. On PLT days, we will have 4 classroom blocks (not 2 long ones). PLT develops responsibility, self-reflection, goal setting, and independence for our students. We will continue to provide support for students in PLT and encourage participation, particularly for our Grade 8 and 9 students.

We will continue with a semester model for next year. There are advantages to both semester and linear, and our staff spoke of these at length. We were divided on this issue so it has been determined that McMath will continue with the semester model to allow for more time to learn in a semester structure with PLT and provide greater experience upon which to base future decisions.

As soon as we finalize the model for next year (still to determine fixed versus rotating blocks, for instance), we will share the information. Thank you again for all of your input.

PICK UP AND DROP OFFS

As spring approaches, we encourage all students to get more exercise by biking or walking to school if they live in the area. If you need to drive your teen to school, consider a drop off part way and not in the neighbouring complexes. Thank you for your support and understanding.

CONFERENCE DAY – May 10th

Our second Conference Day is on May 10th. All students are expected to be present as we learn about healthy relationships, social-emotional learning, and safe driving. Students will be participating in various activities with various presenters from the community and compete in our much-anticipated school Pep Rally in their Connexions/Homeroom class.

PEP RALLY – May 10th

StuCo has finalized the details for this year's Pep Rally coming up on Tuesday, May 10th (in periods 2 and 3). Each pep rally will include our traditional Clubs Parade, as well as performances by the Dance Team and a crowd favourite from McMath's Got Talent, games with the audience, and a few new surprises.

On the day of the pep rally, students will represent their grade by colour:

Grade 8's White

Grade 9's Green.

Grade 10's Red

Grade 11's Black.

Grade 12's Blue

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 10th – Conference Day #2

May 11th – Gr 9. & 10. Immunization Clinic

May 13th – ADST Rotation 3

May 17th – International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, & Biphobia

May 17th – PAC Meeting (via Zoom)

May 18th-19th – Gr 10 PISA

May 19th – McMath Showcase Night

May 20th – Pro-D Day

May 23rd – Victoria Day (No School)

May 26th – Connexion Class #7