



October 24 – October 28, 2022

We want to acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓ language group, on whose traditional and unceded territory we teach, live and learn.

Monday October 24	Tuesday October 25	Wednesday October 26	Thursday October 27	Friday October 28
ABCD (2)	DCBA (1)	Connections Class #2 9:20am BA (2)	Post-Secondary Fair DC (1)	ABCD (2)

Remembrance Day Ceremony – Student MC’s Needed

The Remembrance Day organizational committee is still looking for at least 2 (possibly) 4 individuals to emcee this year’s Remembrance Day Ceremony. The successful candidate will possess superior communication skills, written and oral, and must possess the ability to facilitate this formal and somber event. If you are interested in applying, please see Mrs. Fackler for an application. We have extended the applications due date to **October 24**. Please submit the applications to Mrs. Fackler’s box.

K-12 Reporting Information Session

Reporting is changing across the province. Please join District staff for an information session on K-12 reporting and what to expect in Richmond. This session is open to caregivers and staffs and will be recorded for future use. This session is a webinar on zoom and will include an opportunity for questions.

When: Oct 25, 2022 06:00 PM Vancouver
Topic: K-12 Reporting Information for Parents

Please click the link below to join the webinar:
<https://sd38.zoom.us/j/63271614481>
Webinar ID: 632 7161 4481
Passcode: 6000

Halloween Dance:

Unfortunately, due to a few reasons, including supervision ratios, we have had to cancel the Halloween Dance planned for this year. However, STUCO will be pivoting their efforts toward some fun Halloween activities at lunch on Monday, October 31st. 🍁

Halloween Costume Protocols:

As we look forward to seeing many staff and students in creative costumes, please be aware of the following: Thoughtful costume choices only please (that are sensitive to groups that have been marginalized through mimicry and cultural appropriation)

- Race is not a costume (black/brown face)
- Culture is not a costume (indigenous regalia dreadlocks)
- Religious Faith is not a costume (religious figures/gods/saints/grurus/hijab)
- Gender is not a costume (gender switching for humour or to mock)
- Trauma is not a costume (handman's noose/weapons)
- No costumes that cause a mess (dripping blood, confetti, loose feathers etc.)
- No weapons are allowed at all (including decorative weapons)
- Students can consume Halloween Candy, but no sharing of candy is allowed (covid food safe protocols and student allergies)
- No masks are allowed that cover a student's entire face (however medical/non-medical masks that cover the nose and mouth are fine)

As we continue to practice equity and celebrate diversity in our schools, we ask that you be mindful of these guidelines and if you feel that a student is wearing an inappropriate costume, please send them to the office and Admin will have a conversation with them.

Thanks, take care and HAPPY HALOWEEN Everyone!!! 🍁

Post Secondary Fair

Ms. Digeso has arranged for representatives from a number of post-secondary institutions to be at SLSS for students on October 27th. Grade 12 students will have the opportunity to connect with representatives from these institutions, gather information and ask questions. We look forward to sharing this opportunity with our students.

Photo Retake Day

Photo retake day is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, November 1st. Retakes will be for: students who were absent on our original photo day or for students whose families are purchasing a photo package, but who would like to have a different photo. If students are having retakes because they need a different photo to purchase a photo package, they will be required to hand in their student ID card from the first photo day when they get their photo taken on November 1st. A new student ID card will be issued with the retake photo.

Unclaimed Yearbook Pick Up

Any students who ordered a yearbook last school year, but who did not pick it up are asked to see Ms. Campbell, the Business Assistant, so they can claim their yearbook. If this applies to you, please do this during this week.

Dates to Remember

October 26	Connections Class #2 at 9:20am
October 27	Post-Secondary Fair
November 1	Photo Retake Day
November 2	Grade 9 Take Your Kids To Work Day
November 2-3	Grad Assessments

Career Life Connections

Hello parents we are having our first Connections Conference Day on Nov. 23rd, 2022 and we are looking for volunteers to present at our Career Fair for the Grade 10-12 students, from 8:30 -12:00. If you interested in talking and sharing about your profession with students about your career choice please reach out to either Sally Mah – samah@sd38.bc.ca or Rachpal Sidhu-Grewal – rsidhu-grewal@sd38.bc.ca Please contact us by Oct. 31st if you can volunteer your time.

Take Our Kids to Work

Grade 9 Take Our Kids to Work Day is November 2nd, 2022. An information letter and parent permission form will be emailed to parents/guardians of all SLSS grade 9 students the week of October 10-14. While participation is optional, all grade 9 students are encouraged to participate in this valuable experience. The signed permission form will be required to be sent back to SLSS by Tuesday, October 25th.

Grad Assessments

The Graduation Literacy Assessment 12 (GLA 12) and the Graduation Numeracy Assessment 10 (GNA 10) will be administered on November 2nd and 3rd. All grade 12’s will be scheduled to write the GLA 12 and some grade 10’s will be scheduled to write the GNA 10 in November. A schedule with names, dates and times will be made available and posted around SLSS.

AP Exam Registration and Timeline Information

AP exam registration and timeline information is now posted on the SLSS website. Students enrolled in AP classes at SLSS this year, and those who are not registered in AP classes but are considering registering for an AP exam must read the information posted on the website. Please note that there are deadlines for registering.

Health and Safety

The 2022-23 school year focus for health and safety has shifted to a communicable disease management approach, with an emphasis on personal responsibility for making health decisions that minimize risk. The following are important health and safety reminders for all students and parents/guardians:

- 1) If you are not feeling well, please do not come into the school. Focus on feeling better, first. Check the latest health authority updates for more information about self-isolation.
- 2) Practice good hand hygiene all day
- 3) Practice good respiratory etiquette (cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze)
- 4) All district facilities are mask friendly environments. Students and visitors may choose to wear a mask but are not required to.
- 5) Visitors on school related business are welcome in the school. We ask that you call to make an appointment before coming.
- 6) Parents/guardians wishing to drop off lunches are permitted to do so. Please come directly to the main office located at the Williams entrance.