



April 15 – April 19, 2024

Monday April 15	Tuesday April 16	Wednesday April 17	Thursday April 18	Friday April 19
ABDC (Day 1)	DCBA (Day 2) Parent-Teacher Conference Booking closes at 12pm	BA (Day 1) Grad Assessments PLT (8:30am-10:10am) PT Conferences (2-4pm)	DC (Day 2) Grad Assessments PLT (8:30am-10:10am) Gr. 12 Scholarship Applications Due PT Conferences (2-4pm & 6-8pm)	(No Classes) Pro-D Day

FAMILY WAAG

Personal Learning Time

Personal Learning Time (PLT) is on Wednesdays and Thursdays. This is dedicated time set aside in the timetable for students, where they are given choice and ownership over their learning. [LINK](#) to PLT sign-up. Plan ahead.

Connections Class – these 7 Days are required.

Students should all download the MS Teams App to their device and/or know how to sign-in to MS Teams on a school or home device. Reflection assignments are due via MS Teams. See Mr. Nashlund during PLT for assistance.

School Fees – SchoolCashOnline

Students fees should now be loaded to School Cash Online. Please contact the Business Assistant, Mrs. Karen Campbell at kacampbell@sd38.bc.ca, if you need assistance with setting up a [SchoolCashOnline](#) account or if you have any questions. If your family is experiencing any financial hardship, please email an administrator so we are able to support you.

Are you having challenges with MyEdBC?

Here are some resources and tips on our [website](#). While here is the [link](#) to the “Request Assistance” webform to describe your challenge to our office staff who will respond to you with targeted help.

Homestay Program

Be a host for an international student for a month, semester or year. Richmond International Education (RIE) Homestay Program is looking for local families to offer a welcoming home. Please see more information [here](#).

Gratitude

[Thank you](#) to all teachers who worked very hard to submit report card marks and comments. We are proud that so many comments were strength-based, personal, and provided suggestions for improvement. [Thank you](#) to Ms. Ng for doing the important, final steps in the publishing of the report cards in MyEdBC. [Thank you](#) to the counselling and resource departments for meeting with our family of schools to gain insight on our incoming grade 8 students – the information shared in these transition meetings will be very important in supporting our newest Sharks.

Grad Assessments

Schedule is up on the library windows. Students and parents/guardians have been emailed. AM Assessments are 8:30am-11:30am (arrive at 8:20am). PM Assessments are 12:30pm-3:30pm (arrive at 12:15pm).

	Wednesday, April 17	Thursday, April 18
AM	GNA 10 Catch-up GNA 10 for Block B Math 10	GLA 10 Catch-up GNA 10 for Block D Math 10
PM	GLA 10 & GLA 12 Catch-up GNA 10 for Block A Math 10	GNA 10 for Block C Math 10

Bell Schedule for April 17th and 18th:

PLT 1	8:30am – 9:20am (50 minutes)
PLT 2	9:20am – 10:10am (50 minutes)
B or D	10:20am – 11:35am (75 minutes)
Break	11:35am – 11:50am (15 minutes)
A or C	11:50am – 1:05pm (75 minutes)

Social Media Awareness Family Sessions

Safer Schools Together, in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Childcare, is offering “Social Media Awareness” family sessions. These sessions are designed to support families and caregivers navigate the digital world. Dates, times and information to register can be found in the link below. [Please see this link.](#)

Athletics

Reminder, for the most up to date news about teams and schedules, please visit our [Sharks Athletics Instagram account](#) on a regular basis and/or see the [gym schedule](#). Schedules for all the teams (Table Tennis) are [here](#). Spring Season team sign-ups, try-outs, and practices are here (Badminton, Girls Soccer, Ultimate, 8 & 9 Boys Volleyball, Track & Field, and Hockey).

Parent Sessions on Social Media Awareness

In partnership with the Ministry of Education and Childcare, Safer Schools Together is offering parent sessions on social media awareness. These sessions all take place in the evenings from 6:30 – 7:30pm and all parents/caregivers and their children (aged 10 and up) may attend.

The dates are: Tuesday, March 26 / Wednesday, April 10 / Tuesday, April 16. Trainings can be found at this link: [erase Family Sessions \(saferschoolstogether.com\)](#) ([link](#))

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Apr 22	Block Order Change - DCBA
Apr 24	Connections Class (9:20-10:10am)
Apr 26	Gr. 8 SR (Social Responsibility) Day
Apr 26	Spring Season Athletics Teams Year Book Photos (3pm)
May 1	Collaboration Day
May 8	PAC Meeting
May 9	Gr. 7 Fun Day
May 9	Grad Boat Cruise
May 11	Grad/DAG Car Wash
May 14	Conference Day #2
May 16	Progress Alerts Emailed Home
May 17	Pro-D Day (No classes)
May 20	Victoria Day (School Closed)
May 21	Immunization Clinic

Career Education

All grade 12’s just a few quick reminders –First your 30 Hour Volunteer forms were due April 5th on Teams or to Ms. Sidhu – many students still need to submit these and it is very important as this is a graduation requirement. Next, April 15th Capstone projects are due on TEAMS so, all of you should be putting final touches on your powerpoints and record your audio and submit as an MP3/MP4 or share a YouTube link on Teams. Students presenting in person will submit the day they present. Make sure to include your name in the file name. If you need to see if you are missing assignments you can check your marks with Ms. Sidhu in room 501. Lastly, our next connections class is Apr. 24 in PLT2.

Summer Learning 2024

Please see the following public document that will outline the general [Summer Learning 2024 information](#). A more detailed program guide will come out closer to April.

Adult Secondary

Our adult secondary courses just started the second semester evening courses and third term day courses. (It is not too late to register!) These face to face/hybrid courses are free for ordinarily residents of BC who are Canadian Citizens, Permanent Residents, Refugee status and Work Permit status with instructions stating they can study. Students can be as 17 years of age and older. Students currently enrolled in a secondary school can also register for courses with permission from their home school. **New this year!!** We are now offering Adult Online full credit courses for Richmond Residents only. Students 17 and older. Students who are interested in registering should contact Bob Mostat our course advisor at 604-668-7899 ext 2. [P2023-24 Day & Evening Class calendars combined.pdf](#)

April is Sikh Heritage Month (link)

Our local Sikh history and excellence is one to be acknowledged and shared. The [Education Guide on the Sikh Faith \(link\)](#) is a comprehensive resource to promote the inclusion of Sikh content and perspectives in our schools, while facilitating the awareness of the Sikh Faith and Sikh students in our classrooms and communities.

April is a busy month with many faiths celebrating significant days.

April 13 - Baisakhi or Vaisakhi

A harvest festival celebrated in India, mainly by the Sikh community.

April 22 -30 - Pesach or Passover (First Day is most significant)

Holiday that commemorates the Jewish liberation and escape from Egypt.

SLSS SciHealth

SLSS SciHealth Alliance is hosting our next seminar featuring Mystica Lopez de Leon, who is currently a Dental Hygienist and Assistant in Vancouver BC. She will be talking about her career journey and tips for students! This will be held on Friday, April 26th during lunch in room 702! Come by and don’t miss out on this amazing opportunity!”

Consent Education – link to February 28 parent webinar

Following the Consent Education presentations to all secondary schools and alternate program sites, a parent information session was hosted last week by the Exploitation Education Institute. A link to the information session on Youtube is [available here](#)

Safer Schools Together – New dates for erase Family Sessions

Safer Schools Together has new dates for *erase* Family Sessions. These online sessions focus on social media awareness and online safety and take place in the evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 pm on April 10, and April 16. All parents, caregivers, and students (ages 10 and up) are welcome to attend. Please share this information with your school communities through appropriate channels. Trainings can be found at [erase Family Sessions \(link\)](#).