



FAMILY WAAG

June 24 – June 28, 2024

Monday June 24	Tuesday June 25	Wednesday June 26	Thursday June 27	Friday June 28
Learning Completion Day	Learning Completion Day	Learning Completion Day	Report Cards Published	Administrative Day
Yearbook Distribution (and remaining Award certificates) in Shark Tank				
Shark Fest				

Personal Learning Time

Students: Think about how you can best use these 100-minutes per week next school year.

Connections Class – these 7 Days are required.

Connections Classes are now finished until next year. A reminder that these days and the reflection assignment and core competencies required.

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 MvEdBC?

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](#).

Athletics

ALL UNIFORMS FOR ALL TEAMS MUST BE RETURNED TO MR. STODDARD ASAP, TO AVOID BEING INVOICED.

Gratitude

Thank you to all staff who helped make the Commencement Ceremony at the UBC Chan Centre a tremendous success. **Thank you** to all of the teachers who helped to coordinate and supervise the very quick locker clean-out. **Thank you** to all the Spectrum 10 students and teachers who put on a great “Spectacle Event” on Thursday.

Yearbook Distribution – Monday, June 24th in the Shark Tank. Students need to show ID before picking up their yearbooks. Also, student must have all fees paid, books returned, and uniforms returned in order to pick-up yearbooks.

GRADE	PICK-UP TIMES	STUDENT LAST NAMES
8	8:30am – 8:55am	ALL GRADE 8s
9	9:00am – 9:25am	ALL GRADE 9s
10	9:30am – 9:55am	ALL GRADE 10s
11	10:00am – 10:25am	ALL GRADE 11s
12	10:30am – 10:55am	ALL GRADE 12s

Shark Fest

Sharkfest will be happening on Monday, June 24 from 11 AM. to 2 PM. Come out and have fun outside of the school where there will be photo booths, slip and slides, tug-of-war’s, caricatures, hotdogs, performances and many more fun activities!

Notice of Late Return Form

Please use the attached [forms](#) (in English and Chinese) for families who will not be returning to school by noon on Wednesday, September 4th. Please note - families must return by September 11, 2024. If they do not return, they may lose their spot at Steveston-London Secondary.

2004-2025 Simplified Calendar

Please see our 2004-2025 Simplified Calendar on our [website](#). Our hope is that this calendar will help everyone in our school community plan for the year ahead.

Call to Join PAC

Our amazing SLSS PAC is making a call out to families interested in joining the PAC Board next year. Please see information on our [website](#).

Summer Learning 2024

Please see the [link](#) that will outline the catalogue and FAQs.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

July 1	Canada Day
July 2 – Aug 23	SLSS ‘closed’ except for compressed office hours
Sept 3	Grade Assemblies and Homerooms
Sept 4	First Day of Regular Classes

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. [2023-24 Day & Evening Class calendars combined.pdf](#)

Student and Family Affordability Fund

The provincial government recently announced a renewal of one time funds for the *Student and Family Affordability Fund*. This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs in the following areas:

- school and course fees
- school supplies and course materials
- field trips
- school-related extracurricular opportunities
- clothing and footwear required for sports and school activities

Please reach out to Mrs. Fackler (bfackler@sd38.bc.ca), Mr. Nashlund (mnashlund@sd38.bc.ca) or Ms. Varghese (avarghese@sd38.bc.ca) if you are in need of assistance. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

AI Supports for Parents/Caregivers and Students

New resources are available for the education sector to support local considerations and decision-making regarding the use of AI tools in K-12 schools in BC. The [Digital literacy and the use of AI in education: supports for British Columbia schools web page](#) ([link](#)) now includes three student posters and a two-page informational sheet for parents and caregivers. Further resources for teachers will be added in the current school year.

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 were 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.

Significant Dates in June

- June is [National Indigenous Heritage Month](#) ([link](#)), an opportunity for us all to reflect and honour, the many achievements of Canada’s First Nations, Metis and Inuit communities. **Go here** ([link](#)) **for a rich selection of multi-media Indigenous resources K-12**
- June 21 is [National Indigenous People’s Day](#) ([link](#)). This is a day to recognize and celebrate the history, heritage, resilience, and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis across Canada.
- For our ongoing reconciliation journey, here is a short read/share: [7- First Nation Facts You Should Know](#) ([link](#)).
- June also marks the beginning of [Pride Season](#) ([link](#)). Pride Season is a unifying term that refers to the period between June and September when 2SLGBTQ+ communities and allies come together at different times throughout the summer to spotlight the resilience, talent, and contributions of 2SLGBTQ+ communities in many Canadian cities.

Richmond School District Accessibility Plan

Did you know that the Richmond School District has an Accessibility Plan? We want all individuals to fully participate in and enjoy our facilities, services and programs. We are committed to providing an accessible environment for all members of our diverse community through listening, learning, conscious planning, and effort to remove barriers and increase accessibility.

The Richmond School District also has several ways for members of our community to provide feedback about their accessibility experience. Feedback

Summer Learning 2024 Volunteering Opportunity

Are you interested in the Summer Inquiry to leadership Through Experiential Learning program. This is an opportunity for grade 9-12 students to learn about leadership and gain valuable leadership hours volunteering in one of our summer learning programs.

The purpose of this program is to have students strive to develop leadership skills for application in the school and community. Leadership students will be involved in helping out with our Richmond School District Summer Learning Programs that will provide a forum for students to display these leadership skills helping and being valuable student leaders in our Summer Learning community.

The program is designed so that Student leaders will be part of a leadership workshop on July 3 located at Richmond Secondary Library. After this, Student Leaders will be scheduled to volunteer a minimum of 40 hours in one of our summer learning programs. Please see the details [here](#) on our website.

Complete Survey!



Integrated Child and Youth Teams (ICY) – Art in the Park

Facilitated by ICY youth peer support workers, this non-clinical, drop-in group will run on Fridays from July 12 to August 23 (1-3 p.m.) at King George/Cambie Community Park. No registration or commitment is required. ([link](#))

City of Burnaby – National Indigenous Peoples Day 2024

The City of Burnaby is organizing a family friendly, community celebration to honour and recognize National Indigenous Peoples Day. This year, the event will be held on Friday, June 21 from 3 to 7 p.m. at Civic Square, 6100 Willingdon Ave., Burnaby. ([link](#))

Wildfire Mental Health Supports

Climate events can impact not only our physical environments and health but also our mental health. Virtual [wildfire recovery resources](#) ([link](#)) and [mental health supports](#) ([link](#)) are available for children, youth and families affected by wildfires. Additional mental health resources for those affected by wildfires and climate-related events can be found on the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions' [Help Starts Here website](#) ([link](#)) and at [Kids Help Phone](#) ([link](#)). The [erase Mental Health and Well-Being web page](#) ([link](#)) provides mental health resources for students, families and educators.

can be submitted using writing, voice recording, photo, video or over the phone.

By email: accessibilityfeedback@sd38.bc.ca ([link](#))

By phone: 604-668-6000 (please ask to speak with the Director of Instruction – Inclusive Learning)

By mail: Director of Instruction – Inclusive Learning, 7811 Granville Avenue, Richmond, BC V6Y 3E3

Visit our website for more information about the [Richmond School District Accessibility Plan](#) ([link](#)).

Final Post-Secondary Institution (PSI) Selections for 2024 Graduates – Due July 12

Grade 12s, reminder to make your Post-Secondary Institution (PSI) selections in the Student Transcripts Service (STS) by July 12.

City of Richmond - \$29 Summer Active Pass The \$29 Summer Active Pass (richmond.ca/SummerPass ([link](#))) is now available for purchase. This low cost, unlimited pass is for 5 to 18 year olds to participate in select drop-in activities including:

- Swimming, fitness centre access and select drop-in group fitness classes at Minoru Centre for Active Living and Watermania
- Swimming at South Arm and Steveston Outdoor Pools
- Skating* at Richmond Ice Centre (public skating only)
- Golf** at West Richmond Pitch & Putt (Monday to Thursday, 12-4 p.m., excluding holidays)
- Fitness centre access and select drop-in group fitness classes at Cambie, City Centre, Hamilton, South Arm, Steveston, Thompson and West Richmond Community Centres
- Select drop-in activities at community centres

*Skate rentals extra. **Golf rentals extra; children under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult.

([link](#))

[District Update] FamilySmart – Peer Support, Workshops, and Events for Families

FamilySmart is available in the summer to provide support for families who are navigating mental health and substance use issues. Two upcoming events ([click here for details](#) ([link](#))) include:

- Wed, June 19 (6-7:30 p.m.) – Self Harm: There is Always Help, There is Always Hope
- Wed, August 7 (6:30-7:30 p.m.) – Mental Health and Preparing for the Transition to Post Secondary

To access peer support, [click here](#) ([link](#)) for more details.

BC Lions

The BC Lions want to help you celebrate the end of the School Year with a special offer to all the students, teachers, administrators, friends and family of Richmond School District #38, by providing you exclusive pricing to the BC Lions game on Thursday June 27 at 7:00. Schools from all over the lower mainland will be there wearing their school colors to celebrate H.A.G.S. (Have A Good Summer) Night with the BC Lions.

To get your tickets for the game just click this link: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/Richmondschool2>