



# BURNETT WAAG

## Family WAAG January 13 – January 17, 2025

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### ATHLETICS

For information about Burnett Athletics and Teams, please see the link on our [website here](#). Come watch the Junior Girls' Basketball team as they host a tournament on January 16-18! Check the Athletics website for details.

### SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB

There are 6 spots remaining for the Ski and Snowboard Club if students are interested in joining. Please see Ms. Kozij as soon as possible to complete forms and secure your spot.

### CAREER CENTRE – POST SECONDARY PLANNING

Check out our career centre website for upcoming student presentations and important information related to post-secondary planning! [Click here!](#)

### Grade 12 Scholarship Applications Now Open

Grade 12 students, if you wish to apply for the SJ Commitment, Schulich, or BC Excellence scholarships, please complete the [JN Burnett scholarship](#) form on the website and submit it to your counsellor by **January 15th, 2025**.

### 2024-2025 Yearbook Superlatives

Breakers! We need your help in selecting the 2024-2025 Yearbook Superlatives! Click here to fill out the form: [Superlatives Form](#). Thank you for helping make this year's yearbook extra special

### University of Waterloo Math Contest – Pascal/Carley/Fermat

GRADE 9/10/11 students, are you interested in participating in this year's University of Waterloo Pascal, Cayley, Fermat math contests at Burnett? The contest date is February 26. To sign up, please scan the QR code posted on the Math Contest board beside Mr. Wong's classroom, or any of the Math classrooms' windows by January 24 at 3pm.

### ARC Volunteer Opportunities

Do you want to volunteer with ARC Rescue as a dog handler in our training classes held on Saturdays in February? Please see Ms. Galan in A110A for an application.

### PAC

For information, including WAAG translations, provided by Burnett's Parent Advisory Council, please see the Burnett Website (under 'Parents' – Parent Advisory Council) or the following link: <https://inbpac.org/>

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

Jan 16	Burnett & Feeder School Concert
Jan 23	Graduation Numeracy 10 Assessment (Alternate Bell Schedule)
Jan 24	Graduation Numeracy 10 Assessment (Alternate Bell Schedule)
Jan 27	Pro-D Day (School closed to students)
Jan 28	Learning Completion Day (No classes – Non Instructional Day)
Jan 29	<b>First day of Semester 2</b>
Feb 3-11	Grad Photo Sessions
Feb 3	Summary of Learning S1 Published
Feb 6	PAC Meeting @ 7PM
Feb 10	Grade 7 Parent Info Meeting (Virtual) 6 – 7:15 PM
Feb 12	EQ & Evacuation Drill 12:40 PM
Feb 13	Meeting the Teacher & Grade 7 Parent Info Night
Feb 14	Pro-D Day (School Closed to Students)
Feb 17	BC Family Day (School Closed)
Feb 20	Collaboration Day (School Starts at 9:30)
Feb 21	Conference Day
Feb 26	February Jazz Festival
Feb 27-Mar 1	Robotic Competition
Feb 28	Ramadan Begins (Ends March 29 <sup>th</sup> )

### PHONE POLICY REMINDER

Please be reminded:

- Students should not use personal digital devices during instructional time, unless permission is granted by the supervising staff for educational purposes.
- When not permitted, personal digital devices should be powered off and secured inside a student's backpack, locker or secured location.
- [Policy 104-G \(A\): Acceptable Use of Personal Digital Devices](#)
- [Policy 105: District Code of Conduct](#)

### District Parent Education Sessions – 2024/25 School Year

The Richmond School District is excited to offer a variety of parent education sessions during the 2024/25 school year. These virtual sessions are open to all parents in the Richmond School District and will provide practical strategies, expert insights, and tools to support your child's well-being in the digital age. More information and registration for parents is available on the district website. Read more... ([link](#))

### School Counselling Services – NEW! Book an Appointment Online

You can now book an appointment with your school counsellor online! Whether you need emotional or academic support, psychoeducation, program planning, or scholarship information, our counsellors are here to help you. Simply visit the Burnett website, click on the [Counselling Centre](#), and book your appointment. Please note, we no longer accept appointment requests via email.

### Attention Grade 12 Students – Get Your Dry Grad Tickets Now!

Dry Grad is a safe, fun celebration at the school after prom on June 13, 2025. Tickets are on sale now through School cash online for \$80. Early bird price ends January 31, then price increases to \$100. Purchases before February 1 will be entered into a lucky draw for a \$50 cash prize. Grand prize at event is \$500 cash (must be in attendance to win). Make memories with your fellow Breakers one last time – buy your ticket today!



# BURNETT WAAAG

### Safety and Traffic Guidelines

We encourage students to walk or bike to school – there are significant health benefits to doing. Walking would also help to ensure the safety of our students and reduce traffic congestion during busy times. If families insist on driving, we kindly ask everyone to follow these important guidelines:

- **Right Turn Only:** During peak hours (8:15–8:45 AM and 2:45–3:15 PM), please remember that only right turns are allowed when exiting the school at both the south and west exits onto Granville.
- **No Roadside Drop-offs:** For the safety of all, please avoid dropping off children at the side of the road or on the median on Granville and McCallan.
- **Pick Up in the Parking Lot:** Please pick up your children in the parking lot instead of the drop-off lane to keep the flow of traffic moving.
- **Avoid Double Parking**
- **Encourage Walking or Biking:** If possible, encourage your children to walk or bike to school. It's a great way to promote independence and stay active.
- **Drop Off a Few Blocks Away:** Consider dropping your children off a short distance from the school to help ease parking lot congestion.
- **Leave a Few Minutes Early:** Giving yourself a little extra time can help you avoid the rush and make the drop-off process smoother.

We appreciate your support in helping us create a safe and efficient environment for all our students and families. Thank you for your cooperation!

### Burnett Learning Time (BLT)

Burnett Learning Time (BLT) will provide opportunities for students to deeply engage with and manage their learning. Teachers clearly communicate *which staff* and *which learning spaces* are available for BLT on Tuesday and Thursday morning in their classes and on our *EASY Weekly Planner*. *Students use their student number as both username and password to login.* Learning spaces will include teacher's classrooms and large common spaces like the multi-purpose area, center court, the library learning commons, and some of our fitness areas. **Each space will have a capacity limit.** It is important for students to book their learning space requests in advance on the weekly planner website. **To sign-up students can go to [burnett.myweeklyplanner.net](http://burnett.myweeklyplanner.net) and select their BLT session or sessions. Sign up is now open.**

### Guiding Principles for Burnett Learning Time

- BLT is Self-Directed, Self-Managed, and Self-Regulated
- BLT Enhances Curricular and Core Competency Development
- BLT Builds on Individual Passions
- BLT supports Self-Care, Self-Awareness, Physical/Mental Health

### Possible options for students during Burnett Learning Time:

- complete homework, reading, journaling, reflecting
  - work on projects with classmates, receive learning support in the learning centre, get extra support, from staff
  - community service, work experience, and clubs
- improve both physical and mental health receive counselling support

### YEARBOOK ORDERS

KEEP THE MEMORIES!  
**2025 YEARBOOK**  
 Pre-order is now open!  
 Order yours on schoolcashonline!

### Upcoming Online Public Open House – Long Range Facilities Plan

The School District is hosting an Online Public Open House on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, from 6 to 8p.m. This virtual event will provide community members with the opportunity to learn about the 2025 Long-Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) and offer input to help shape the district's long-term facilities strategy.

For more information about the LRFP, visit the district website. ([link](#))



Date: January 14, 2025  
Time: 6-8 p.m.  
Where: Zoom  
Register: QR code below

### ONLINE PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE LONG-RANGE FACILITIES PLAN

The Richmond School District invites community members to participate in an Online Public Open House.

This virtual event offers a convenient opportunity to learn about the 2025 Long-Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) and provide input that will help shape the district's long-term facilities strategy.

If you are unable to attend, you can still contribute. Email your questions or feedback to the Richmond Project Team at [planning@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:planning@sd38.bc.ca).

Scan QR code to register:



[sd38.bc.ca/lrfp](https://sd38.bc.ca/lrfp)

RICHMOND  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38

**Library Monitors Needed!**  
 If you are interested in being a library monitor in Semester 2, there will be a brief information meeting in the library on Monday, January 20th at 3:15pm.

**SCHOOL COUNSELLING SERVICES**  
 YOU TALK, WE LISTEN AND GUIDE YOU.  
 WHAT WE OFFER:  
 • EMOTIONAL SUPPORT  
 • ACADEMIC SUPPORT  
 • PSYCOEDUCATION  
 • PROGRAM PLANNING  
 • SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION  
 MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TODAY!

[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/JNBCOUNSELLING](https://tinyurl.com/jnbcounselling)

# Community News and Resources

**NACLO 2025**

JOIN FELLOW HIGH-SCHOOL STUDENTS IN SOLVING LANGUAGE THEMED PUZZLES

The North American Computational Linguistics Olympiad is a competition aimed at high-school students to compete and solve linguistic puzzles. NACLO fosters a friendly environment to learn and compete with a chance to attend at the national and international competition levels.

**NACLO 2025 OPEN ROUND**

**SFU Burnaby Campus, Room RCB 7402**  
**January 23, 9 am - 12 pm**

For more information on the practice session, go to our website.  
<https://sfu.ca/xsyn/Naclo2025.html>

**Grade 12s'**

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

- SJ COMMITMENT
- SCHULICH
- BC EXCELLENCE

**Application Deadline:**  
**Jan 15th, 2025**

Please see your counsellor for details

**Level up @Shad**

Shad helps students level up their STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math) & Entrepreneurship knowledge, confidence, problem solving, hands-on learning, critical thinking, design thinking and empathy. Shad is a month-long program for grade 10 & 11, Pan-Canadian classrooms with university level STEAM content and access to mentors. Selection process in place. Limited spots available. Applications open in the fall.

**Who can apply?**  
 Grade 10 and 11 students

**When does Shad take place?**  
 Every July

**What are the benefits?**  
 Exclusive scholarships, networks, and more

**What financial help is available?**  
 Aid for full or partial program fees

Connect your passions to pathways  
[www.shad.ca/apply/#get-notified](http://www.shad.ca/apply/#get-notified)

**KPU DISCOVERY DAYS**

**KWANTLEN POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY**

**KPU Richmond Discovery Day**  
 KPU Richmond Campus  
 Thursday, January 23, 2025  
 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm

**KPU Langley Discovery Day**  
 KPU Langley Campus  
 Monday, February 10, 2025  
 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

**KPU Surrey Discovery Day**  
 KPU Surrey Campus  
 Friday, February 21, 2025  
 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Hands-on mock classes, campus tours, networking opportunities, free food, and amazing prizes!  
**Sign up!**

**United Way British Columbia** Working with communities in BC's Interior, Lower Mainland, Central & Northern Vancouver Island

**RASS · FOUNDRY · RICHMOND**

**ADULTING-LIFE SKILLS**  
 Short term job placement opportunity

**Ages 18-24**

**Weeks 1-5: Vocational Skills**

- Nov. 20th: Demystifying Failure
- Nov. 27th: Financial Literacy
- Dec. 4th: Vocational Skills
- Dec. 11th: Rights in the Workplace
- Dec. 5th: Interview Preparation

**Weeks 6-10: Life Skills**

- Jan. 15th: Executive Functioning
- Jan. 22nd: Self Care
- Jan. 29th: Cooking
- Feb. 5th: Cleaning and Repair
- Feb. 12th: Communication

**Where:**  
 101- 5811 Cooney Road

**When:**  
 Wednesdays 12pm- 2pm

**ARE YOU INTERESTED?**  
 Email [Luke@rassrichmond.ca](mailto:Luke@rassrichmond.ca) for registration form!

**· FOUNDRY · RICHMOND**

**QUEER & TRANS RESILIENCE GROUP**

Support for navigating sexual orientation & gender expression

Affirm what shapes your resilience as Queer/ Trans/ 2SLGBTQIA+

Standing Up for Yourself

Self- Worth & Self- Esteem

**Feb. 20–May 8 (12 sessions)**  
**Thursdays 4pm–6pm**  
**Ages 16–24**  
**Registration/Orientation Required**

**LGBTQ+**

Email: [Ajay.Sahota@vch.ca](mailto:Ajay.Sahota@vch.ca)  
 or text 604- 250- 5461 for info/ to sign- up

## Vancouver International Children's Festival

### Be A Volunteer!



Accepting Applications starting Jan 2nd

May 26 - June 1 2025



#### Perks

- Free snacks and treats at the Volunteer Centre
- Free wristband to the Activity Village
- Signed Confirmation outlining that you volunteered "x" hours for the Festival.
- School credit for Volunteer and/or Work Experience
- Eligible for a Reference Letter for volunteers who contribute a minimum of 24 hours



#### Why Volunteer?

- Get involved in an exciting creative project
- Meet extraordinary people
- Learn and develop new skills
- Take part in a festive community event where you are encouraged to dress up every day you come to work
- Share your love of interacting by volunteering with kids
- Show that you care about your community

Please contact us at [volunteer@childrensfestival.ca](mailto:volunteer@childrensfestival.ca) or call 604-708-5655 with any questions, we would love to hear from you!

[childrensfestival.ca](http://childrensfestival.ca) [Volunteer@childrensfestival.ca](mailto:Volunteer@childrensfestival.ca)

## 2025 Student Safety Video Contest



**Show up,  
speak up  
for safety**

Tell us how young workers can show up and speak up at work to improve safety for everyone.

**Submit your video and you could win a cash prize.**

#### **Bonus prize: Actsafe Aspiring Filmmaker Award**

Prize includes tickets to the 2026 Actsafe Entertainment Safety Conference, screening of the film at a future event attended by members of the Directors Guild of Canada - and more!

Deadline for submissions is Tuesday, April 1, 2025

Visit [worksafebc.com/studentvideocontest](https://worksafebc.com/studentvideocontest)

