

Family WAAG

September 1 – September 5, 2025



BURNETT WAAG

Monday September 1	Tuesday September 2	Wednesday September 3	Thursday September 4	Friday September 5
(School Closed)	Burnett Re-Opens	(ABCD)	(ABCD)	(ABCD)
Labour Day	Student Orientations	First Day of Classes	No PLT	
		Alternate Bell Schedule	Alternate Bell Schedule	Alternate Bell Schedule
		Homeroom 8:30 8:40	Homeroom 8:30 8:40	Homeroom 8:30 8:40
		Block A 8:45 10:00	Block A 8:45 10:00	Block A 8:45 10:00
		Block B 10:05 11:20	Block B 10:05 11:20	Block B 10:05 11:20
		Recess 11:20 11:30	Recess 11:20 11:30	Recess 11:20 11:30
		Block C 11:35 12:50	Block C 11:35 12:50	Block C 11:35 12:50
		Lunch 12:50 1:40	Lunch 12:50 1:40	Lunch 12:50 1:40
	Block D 1:45 3:00	Block D 1:45 3:00	Block D 1:45 3:00	
			Mawlid-al-Nabi	Mawlid-al-Nabi
			Last Day to Pay for Grad Boat Cruise	

SCHOOL CALENDAR

To stay up to date about what is happening at the school, you can subscribe to the calendar on the Burnett website. When on the website, go to School Calendar and scroll down to the bottom of the calendar and click on Subscribe to Our Calendar.

ATHLETICS

For information about Burnett Athletics and Teams, please see the link on our [website here](#).

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](#)!

SCHOOL COUNSELLING SERVICES

You can book an appointment with your school counsellor online! Click on the [Counselling Centre](#), and book your appointment.

PAC

Families can contact Burnett's Parent Advisory Council at jnbpac.general@gmail.com.

Personal Learning Time (PLT) starts September 9th

Each week, we allocate instructional time for "self-directed" personalized learning. During this period, students engage in independent learning and pursue their passions with the support and mentorship of teachers. This approach empowers students with choice and ownership of their learning, while our staff members facilitate a supportive learning environment. Guidelines will be provided to students and shared with families.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Artona will be onsite at Burnett to take student photos on Thursday, September 19th. Retake day for those who missed the first photo day will be on Thursday, October 23rd. It is important for students to take their school photograph as this photograph is used for school ID's and in the yearbook. Families will have an opportunity to purchase photo packages, if desired.

DISTRICT POLICY: Student Personal Digital Device

The Ministry of Education requires ALL districts and schools to have a policy for digital devices. The purpose for this is to make youth safe, improve student mental health, and eliminate constant interruptions from their learning.

The policy states that students can use their digital device IF, the teacher asks the students to use their device for a learning activity. Students who do not have device, will be offered a school device for the class.

Otherwise, ALL students must keep their device powered off and be in their backpack or their locker. If students do not follow the policy, staff will remind the student, and if they continue to use their device, staff will connect with parents, and possibly the student will not be allowed to have a device at school. Furthermore, devices should not be used in changerooms and bathrooms. Students will be able to use their devices at break and at lunch.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Sept 4-5	Mawlid-al-Nabi
Sept 8	Course Change Requests Due
Sept 9	First Day of PLT (Personal Learning Time)
Sept 10	Collaboration Day (School Starts at 9:30 AM)
Sept 11	PAC Meeting @ 7pm
Sept 12	Grad Boat Cruise
Sept 16	Evacuation Drill @ 1pm
Sept 18	Langara Presentation @ lunch / Meet the Teacher Night / Gr 12 Parent Info Session
Sept 19	Photo Day
Sept 23-24	Rosh Hashanna
Sept 23	UBC Okanagan @ SLSS 6 – 8 pm
Sept 24	Post Secondary Institution Mini Fair @ 9:15am
Sept 25	Terry Fox Run
Sept 26	Grade 8 Fun Day / Clubs Day
Sept 29	Orange Shirt Day / SFU Beedie School of Business @ Lunch
Sept 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (School Closed)

ATTENDANCE

Parents/guardians are required to inform the school if their child will be late, absent or need to leave the school early. Students are not allowed to excuse themselves. Only parents/legal guardians/homestay parents/custodians are allowed to excuse a child from school.

Please leave a message on our absent line at **604-718-4007** with the following information:

1. *Your name and how you are related to the student (mom, dad, homestay parent, etc.)*
2. *Your child's name*
3. *Your child's student number (we have several students with the same first and last names, and the student number will identify your child)*
4. *Whether your child will be late, absent or dismissed early*
5. *Reason*

Students need to sign in at the office if they are coming to school more than 10 minutes late and sign out if they are leaving before the end of the school day. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

BELL SCHEDULE

MONDAY + WEDNESDAY + FRIDAY	
CLASS	TIME
WELCOME BELL	8:25am
BLOCK A	8:30 – 9:50
BLOCK B	9:55 – 11:15
BREAK	11:15 – 11:25
BLOCK C	11:30 – 12:50
LUNCH	12:50 – 1:35
BLOCK D	1:40 – 3:00

TUESDAY + THURSDAY	
CLASS	TIME
BLOCK A	8:30 – 9:38
PLT	9:43 – 10:31
BLOCK B	10:36 – 11:44
BREAK	11:44 – 11:54
BLOCK C	11:59 – 1:07
LUNCH	1:07 – 1:47
BLOCK D	1:52 – 3:00

COLLABORATION DAY	
CLASS	TIME
COLLAB TIME	8:30 – 9:25
BLOCK A	9:30 – 10:35
BLOCK B	10:40 – 11:45
BREAK	11:45 – 11:55
BLOCK C	12:00 – 1:05
LUNCH	1:05 – 1:50
BLOCK D	1:55 – 3:00

CONFERENCE DAY	
CLASS	TIME
HOMEROOM	8:30 – 9:00
SESSION 1	9:10 – 10:10
BREAK	10:10 – 10:20
SESSION 2	10:25 – 11:25
LUNCH	11:25 – 12:10
SESSION 3	12:15 – 1:15
SESSION 4	1:25 – 2:25
HOMEROOM/PLT	2:30 – 3:00
GLA/GNA SESSION 1	8:15 – 11:15
GLA/GNA SESSION 2	12:00 – 3:00



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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!



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/jnbcounseling)



GRADE 12 PARENT INFO NIGHT September 18 @ 6PM

MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT September 18 @ 7PM

6:45 pm	Welcoming remarks in Multi-purpose room
7pm to 8pm	Parents/Guardians meet their child's Teacher

SCHOOL FORMS – Please Return to the Office ASAP

Students will receive a Personal Information Consent Form, a Student Medical Information Verification Form and a Walking Fieldtrip Form. It is very important that this information be kept up-to date and accurate in case of an emergency. If any of the information on the form is incorrect, please make the necessary changes right on the form. These forms need to be signed and returned to the school office.

PLT – PERSONAL LEARNING TIME

Just a brief reminder of the changes to Personal Learning Time (formerly BLT-Burnett Learning Time):

Structure

- PLT is on Tuesdays and Thursdays and will be scheduled between first and second period starting September 9.
- Each PLT block will be 48 minutes in duration.
- All students will be required to attend each PLT session

Increased Opportunities for Student Support

PLT will increase support for all students and empower students to:

- Choose what area of learning they want to focus on
- Choose who they need to connect with for support (Teachers may request that you sign-up for a specific PLT)
- Learn how to self-manage their time and develop skills to be more independent learners

Strategies for Success – Some PLT Ideas

- Review class notes, textbook, homework and learning activities
- Make cue cards/flashcards or prepare other study tactics
- Review a quiz/test with a friend or work on group class projects
- Stay organized: record important assignment dates in agenda/clean-up binder
- Read/Journal
- Ask questions of, converse and consult with teachers
- Skills you will develop: questioning, communication, goal setting, organization, time management, self-regulation and awareness
- PLAN/SET PRIORITIES – What is due first? What is most difficult? What will take the most time?
- ORGANIZE – If tasks are completed, what else can be done to improve my learning - study, read, practice....What materials/resources do I need to bring with me to PLT?

Information and Reminders will be shared with students again.