

Family WAAG

September 8 – September 12, 2025



BURNETT WAAG

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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 Friday, September 19th. Retake day for those who missed the first photo day will be on 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. More details can be found [here](#).

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 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 8	Course Change Requests Due / Club Application Opens
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 @ 7pm/ Gr 12 Parent Info Session @ 6pm
Sept 19	Photo Day
Sept 22	Pro-D Day (School Closed to Students)
Sept 23-24	Rosh Hashanna
Sept 23	UBC Okanagan @ SLSS 6 – 8 pm
Sept 24	Post Secondary Institution Mini Fair @ 9:45am
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)

COLLABORATION TIME (CT)

Along with other Richmond schools, Burnett will continue to have Collaboration Time. To provide continued uninterrupted time for school staff to collaborate on effective practice, Burnett will have 10 Collaboration Days. On these days, classes begin at 9:30am.

For the 2025-2026 school year, Collaboration Days are scheduled for:

September 10, 2025	February 4, 2026
October 8, 2025	March 4, 2026
November 19, 2025	April 15, 2026
December 10, 2025	May 6, 2026
January 7, 2026	June 3, 2026

During CT, students have the choice of studying offsite (e.g. at home) or independently studying at school in the multipurpose room.

CLUBS APPLICATION and CLUBS DAY

If students are wanting to start and run a club this year, please be aware of the following:

- What is the purpose of the club?
- How often will the club meet and how will this time be used?
- Who are the student leaders and what are their roles and responsibilities?
- Who is the teacher sponsor (A teacher sponsor must be present for all meeting and events and proper permission forms need to be completed if outside of school.)
- Is the club encouraging citizenship and adding to the school community in positive ways?

Club applications may be picked up in the office and submitted to Ms. Ten-Pow by September 19. Students should speak to Ms. Ten-Pow about their application before participating in Clubs Day.

Clubs Day

At lunch in the large gym on Friday, September 26, all students are encouraged to join an exciting display of Burnett's Clubs Day! Students can explore all the amazing clubs Burnett has to offer and join the clubs that they are interested in.



BURNETT W.A.A.G

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. Cyclists take great care and caution and learn the rules of the road!
- **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/jnbcounselling)



BELL SCHEDULE

MONDAY + WEDNESDAY + FRIDAY	
CLASS	TIME
WELCOME BELL	8:25am
BLOCK A	8:30 – 9:50
BLOCK B	9:55 – 11:15
BLOCK C	11:30 – 12:50
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
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COLLABORATION DAY	
CLASS	TIME
COLLAB TIME	8:30 – 9:25
BLOCK A	9:30 – 10:35
BLOCK B	10:40 – 11:45
BLOCK C	12:00 – 1:05
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



Wednesday
September 24
9:45am-11:15am
Burnett Multi-Purpose Room

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 were shared with students during Homeroom this week; please see attached.

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.

Course Change Requests

The counsellors have been working extremely hard to process course changes. As always, there are priority requests (missing Grad requirements, gaps in schedules, summer school adjustments...). Thank you for your understanding as counsellors program essential needs and for your patience as you wait for counsellors to reach out to you.

Community News and Resource

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
1:00 – 4:00PM
RICHMOND CULTURAL CENTRE
7700 MINORU GATE

Drop in to explore volunteer opportunities:

Aquatics

Arts, Culture & Heritage

Green Ambassadors

Richmond Community Centres

RCMP

Richmond Nature Park

Richmond Public Library


Minoru Seniors Society

Walk Richmond

JOIN US!

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volunteerhelpdesk@richmond.ca
& richmond.ca/volunteers



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Oct 8, 4–7pm | Burnaby Campus

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COME SAY HI!

A member of the Student Recruitment Team will be visiting your school. Learn about university life, programs, admission requirements, awards and more.

When: **THURSDAY Oct 23**

Where: **LIBRARY LAB**
1:05 - 1:50 PM

start something.

LEARN MORE
ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate


A promotional banner for the UK University Fair 2025. The background is a dark blue diagonal split. On the right, there is a photograph of the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben in London. The text is white and centered on the blue background. At the top right, the 'SI UK' logo is displayed in white. The main title 'UK University Fair 2025' is in a large, bold, sans-serif font. Below it, 'Meet 50+ UK Universities' is in a slightly smaller font. The date and location, 'Friday, October 3rd, 2025' and 'Harbour Centre Campus (SFU), 515 W Hastings St', are in a smaller font. A red button with the text 'Register now' is positioned at the bottom center.



CONNECTIONS
COMMUNITY RESOURCE SOCIETY



September 2025 Youth Job Readiness & Mental Health Workshops



SEPT 09 2 PM - 3 PM <i>Resume & Cover Letter Writing</i>	SEPT 10 2 PM - 3 PM <i>Online Job Search Strategies</i>	SEPT 16 2 PM - 3 PM <i>How to Prepare for Job Interviews</i>
SEPT 17 2 PM - 3 PM <i>Boudary Setting for Success</i>	SEPT 24 2 PM - 3 PM <i>Self-Compassion Techniques</i>	SEPT 25 2 PM - 3 PM <i>Self-Care: Tips for Well-Being</i>

Free Workshops for Youth Ages 16-29



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Where: Online via Microsoft Teams

To register, please fill out the registration form using the QR code or the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/S6G4AGz8T8oagmrgnLsk>

For inquiries, please contact:

-  youthworks@cccsociety.ca
-  604 218 6943
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September 2025 Workshop Descriptions

Resumes & Cover Letter Writing:

Learn how to craft a professional resume that highlights your strengths, experiences, and skills, plus discover how a cover letter can showcase your personality, expand on key achievements, and explain why you're the right fit for the job. This workshop covers formatting, action words, and tailoring both documents to specific roles.

Online Job Search Strategies

You will learn about the five steps of the strategic job search approach. We will help you set SMART goals and explore how to effectively manage your time to get a job that's right for you!

How to Prepare for Job Interviews:

Build confidence and prepare for job interviews with expert tips. We'll cover common questions, body language, and how to make a great first impression. Learn how to stand out and leave a lasting impact on employers.

Boundary Setting for Success

In this workshop, we explore why boundary setting is such a challenging endeavor (for both youth and adults alike), especially when we feel a lack of control or agency. We discuss how healthy boundaries can be set and maintained, and get hands-on in applying these techniques.

Self-Compassion Techniques

This workshop introduces the importance of self-compassion and building a healthy relationship with the self while practicing some affirmations along the way.

Self-Care Tips for Well-Being

In this workshop, we explore the world of safe-care at the individual level, recognizing that it is personal, ever-changing, and effortful.

**Free Workshops
For Youth Ages 16-29**



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Where: Online via Microsoft Teams

To register, please fill out the registration form using the QR code or the link below:
<https://forms.office.com/?id=6044JdE8f7b0ngmteLnk>

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