



# École Secondaire Windsor Secondary School

## FAMILY NEWSLETTER- JUNE 2025

We would like to thank the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Səlilwətał Nation, on whose unceded traditional territory École Windsor Secondary resides.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

#### JUNE 1

[Pride Month](#)

[National Indigenous History Month](#)

#### JUNE 2

8:30-9:10am - Ministry Assessment- Gr. 12 French Oral  
(see page 2)

7:30pm - PAC meeting - AGM & elections (Library)

#### JUNE 3

8:30-9:10am - Ministry Assessment- Gr. 12 French Oral  
(see page 2)

#### JUNE 4

8:30-9:10am- Ministry Assessment- Gr. 12 French Oral  
(see page 2)

#### JUNE 6

[Eid al-Adha](#) begins

9:10am - Gr. 7 school visit hosted by the Windsor Ambassadors

7:30-9:30pm - Finale Choir concert (multipurpose rm.)

#### JUNE 10

[Eid al-Adha](#) ends

8:30-12:00am - Ministry Assessments - Gr. 12 French written and re-writes (see page 2)

#### JUNE 11

7:00-8:00pm - Elementary year-end concert (large gym)

#### JUNE 15

[Father's Day](#)

#### JUNE 16-20

Locker clean-out week (see page 3)

#### JUNE 18

8:30am - Mandatory graduation rehearsal (large gym)

#### JUNE 19

[Juneteenth](#)

Student recognition assemblies (see page 5)

- Grades 8/9 (period 2)

- Grades 10 to 12 (period 3)

#### JUNE 20

[Summer Solstice](#)

National Indigenous Peoples Day celebrations at Windsor

7:00pm - Graduation Ceremony @ Vancouver Orpheum

Gr 8 rotation # 4 ends

Last day of classes

#### JUNE 21

[National Indigenous Peoples Day](#)

6:00pm - Graduation Banquet @ Vancouver Convention Centre -West

#### JUNE 23-24

Review & completion (no classes)

#### JUNE 25

Report cards published

Yearbook distribution & fee collection (large gym and multipurpose room)

#### JUNE 26

School closes for summer vacation

#### JUNE 27

[Canadian Multiculturalism Day](#)

Administrative day

## GRADUATION ASSESSMENTS

The graduation assessments look at students' ability to apply their knowledge and skills and to analyze, reason, and communicate effectively as they examine, interpret, and solve problems. For more information go to: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/assessment>

### LITERACY- FRENCH 12

Students in French Immersion are required to complete Grade 12 Literacy Assessments as part of the Provincial Graduation Program, including the written component and the oral component of the Évaluation de littératie de la 12e année –Français langue seconde – immersion (LTF12).

The oral component will be administered between **June 2nd, 3rd and 4th**. Students have been assigned a date and time ( they can confirm both with their grade counsellor or their FRAL 12 teacher).

All Immersion students will be completing the written component of the assessment on **June 10th**.

Assessment	Date	Time	Location
Grade 12 French Oral	June 2nd, 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4th	8:30-9:10am	E211/E214
Grade 12 French Written & Re-Writes	June 10th	8:30am-12:00pm	E211/E214

Grade counsellors have notified students of time and date of the assessments..

## YEAR END PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS

### LOCKER CLEAN-OUT - Week of June 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>

1- Students will clean/empty their assigned locker at their own convenience throughout the week. Lockers must be empty/clean by Friday, June 20th.

#### 2- Friday, June 20 - End of Period 5

Students will collect a Locker Inspection Form from their Period 5 teacher.

Students will have any staff member sign Part 1 of the Locker Inspection Form, after checking that is clean and empty.

#### GRADES 8-11

- Leave the door open. Lock is locked on the door.
- Fill out Part 2
- Your Period 5 teacher will sign Part 2 and keep the form
- There will be a \$10.00 charge for unreturned locks as well as a \$10 locker fee if students do not clean/empty their assigned lockers.

#### GRADE 12

- Leave the door open, give the lock to your Period 5 teacher
- Fill out Part 2
- Your Period 5 teacher will sign Part 2 and keep the form
- There will be a \$10.00 charge for unreturned locks as well as a \$10 locker fee if students do not clean/empty their assigned lockers.

### RETURN of ALL school RESOURCES - By Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>

- CLEAR OUTSTANDING FEES AND DEBTS
- RETURN ALL LIBRARY BOOKS
- RETURN TEXTBOOKS

1. It is the student's responsibility to return the exact book that was assigned to the exact teacher who assigned it, according to the teachers' records.

2. All textbooks must be returned or paid for by June 20<sup>th</sup>. Books/resources or payments will not be accepted by the office after June 20<sup>th</sup>.

3. Book charges: \*Lost Books - 100% cost \*Pages Missing and Water Damage- 100% cost  
Damaged Books: \*Minor - 25% cost \*Major - 50% cost,

## **YEAR END PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS**

### **YEARBOOK DISTRIBUTION - June 25<sup>th</sup>**

Students who have purchased a Yearbook and have NO outstanding fees or school resources may pick up their Yearbooks on Wednesday, June 25th in the Large Gym:

- 11:00 am GRADE 8, 9 & 10 STUDENTS
- 12:00 pm GRADE 11, 12 & INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

If fees were paid online after June 20th, students must bring the receipt with them to get their Yearbook (a screenshot is ok).

### **FEE COLLECTION - June 25<sup>th</sup>**

If fees are owed, or students still have outstanding textbooks/resources signed out, they will be asked to go to the Multipurpose Room to pay their fees or to return their resources before receiving their Yearbook.

Yearbooks will be withheld from all students with outstanding debts.

### **REPORT CARDS**

Report cards will be published to the parent and student portal on Wednesday, June 25th. For more information on how to access the Parent Portal, visit this link:

[Communicating Student Learning](#)



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## WINDSOR STUDENT RECOGNITION ASSEMBLIES

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Students will be receiving awards in the areas of Outstanding Learner, Service, Athletics and French Immersion. Please refer to the [Windsor Website](#) for further information.

This year, we will be celebrating our students' achievements in **Recognition Assemblies on June 19th**. There will be an **assembly for Grades 8 & 9 at 9:30am** (during Period 2), and a second **assembly at 10:45am for grades 10 to 12** (during period 3).

Parents of the students receiving major awards will be invited to join us for the assemblies.

In September, at our opening assemblies, students in Grades 11 and 12 will be recognized for Windsor Excellence for the 2024-2025 school year.



## WINDSOR GRADUATION EVENTS

### JUNE 18

#### **8:30am- Mandatory Grad Ceremony Rehearsal in the Large Gym**

Students will receive their grad gowns, and instructions as to what will occur at the ceremony. This is a mandatory meeting for grads.

### JUNE 20

#### **7:00pm- Grad Ceremony at the Orpheum (601 Smithe St, Vancouver)**

The Grad fee includes 4 tickets per family. This fee must be paid before extra Graduation Ceremony tickets can be purchased. Extra tickets (\$10 each) may be purchased at the office starting June 1<sup>st</sup>, or at the Orpheum just before the ceremony.

### JUNE 21

#### **Grade 12 Grad Banquet at the Vancouver Convention Centre West**

Group Grad Photo @ 5:15pm, followed by individual photos by GradsBC

Doors open @ 6:00pm

Dinner @ 6:30 pm



# RED DRESS DAY

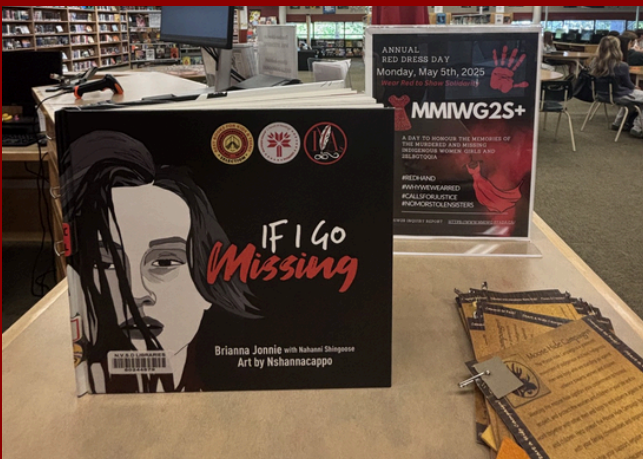


Red Dress Day, observed annually on May 5th, is a National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-Spirit People (MMIWG2S+) in Canada. Red Dress Day was inspired by Métis artist Jaime Black's REDress Project installation, in which she hung red dresses to represent the missing and murdered women. Red dresses have become a symbol of the ongoing crisis, serving as a call to action to address systemic issues of violence and discrimination.

Students and staff volunteers as well as Ms. D'Aurora's Éducation Artistique 9,'s class, Sam Peters' Period 5 Digital Literacy class, and Ms. Lum's Textiles 10-12 & Fashion Industry 12 class all contributed to Red Dress Day Awareness displays around the school.







## THANK YOU, WINDSOR PAC!

**Thank you to the WPAC for the generous donation of these items:**

- Board games and art supplies for the Learning Support Centre
- Santa's Breakfast
- Concession and supplies for Social Justice's Charity Basketball game
- Subscription to the online learning platform Kahoot
- Subscription to GueGuess for Geography 12
- Subscription to Noodle Tools, an online research management platform
- Bus for the Geography 12 field trip to the Britannia Mine Museum
- Bus for the Sr. Ultimate team to Kelowna
- Bus for the English field trip to see Hamlet
- Custom mats for the school's entrances
- Basketball uniforms
- Gymnastics uniforms
- Football uniforms
- Maps for the Social Studies department
- Books for the Business department





## ICBC MOCK CRASH EVENT

On May 15, Windsor Secondary hosted the ICBC Mock Crash event for all Grade 11 and 12 students, including those from Lions Gate Christian Academy. This powerful and impactful presentation is part of our efforts to promote road safety and responsible decision-making among youth.



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Mock crash at North Vancouver school shows teens consequences of distracted, impaired driving

Local authorities staged a mock car crash at Windsor Secondary School in North Vancouver Thursday to educate teens about the importance of road safety as graduation approaches. (CityNews image / Grace Chen)

By Grace Chen  
Posted May 16, 2025 7:25 pm. Last Updated May 22, 2025 1:30 pm.

GRAPHIC WARNING: The following images and details, though simulated, may disturb some readers.

Vancouver City News covered the event and published the article below. Click to read: [North Vancouver authorities stage mock crash for high school PSA](#)



## WINDSOR SENIOR ULTIMATE: Season recap

This year's Senior Ultimate season was one to be proud of. The team put in consistent effort, showed real growth, and came together both on and off the field.

We had a strong showing at the KSS Invitational—our best performance of the season—and we're especially grateful to the PAC for supporting our travel to Kelowna. Getting there together helped set the tone for the weekend and made a real difference.

For the first time in years, we qualified for Zones and came just short of advancing to Provincials. That result speaks to the team's development, resilience, and the commitment players brought to each practice and game.

Thanks to all who supported us this season. We're looking forward to building on this momentum next year.



# TRACK & FIELD SEASON 2025: A Season to Remember!

Windsor's Track and Field team had an outstanding 2025 season, marked by incredible achievements, team spirit, and record-breaking performances!

At the North Shore Championships, our athletes showcased their talent and determination, securing an impressive 2nd place overall—a true testament to their hard work and dedication.



At the Sea to Sky Zone Championships, Windsor athletes continued to shine:

## 🏆 1st Place Finishers:

- Grade 8: Stella Rees (Triple Jump)
- Juniors: Jordyn Pershick (High Jump), Pearse Ward (High Jump)
- Seniors: Reid Baker (Shot Put), Emmet Ward (High Jump)

## 🥈 2nd Place:

- Grade 8: Stella Rees (Long Jump)

## 🥉 3rd Place:

- Junior: Quinn Coleman (Steeplechase)
- Senior: Tata Raatikainen (Discus)

## 🏆 4th Place:

- Seniors: Ruby Coleman (Steeplechase), Dylan Patterson (400m)

## 🏆 5th Place:

- Grade 8 Relay Team: Kianna Bustard, Stella Rees, Sophia Hristov, Carys Degrazio (4 x 100m)
- Seniors: Reid Baker (Javelin), Matt Coffin (Hammer Throw)



## TRACK & FIELD SEASON 2025: A Season to Remember!

We are especially proud to announce that two Windsor athletes broke Sea to Sky zone records:

Jordyn Pershick set a new Junior Girls High Jump record at 1.60m, surpassing the previous record of 1.50m.

Pearse Ward broke the Junior Boys High Jump record with an incredible 1.80m, overtaking the previous 1.70m record held by Windsor's own Gavin Maroney and Emmett Ward.



Congratulations to all our athletes on a phenomenal season, and best of luck to those heading to Provincials from June 5–7—we're cheering you on all the way!





## NV DISTRICT YOUTH AWARDS





### THE BAGEL BOYS

Jacob Gratton, Lochlan Bradshaw & William Kristiansen

**OUTSTANDING YOUTH TEAM**

*For groups of young people who have completed at least 50 hours per person of community (or school) service.*

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The Bagel Boys are recognized for their service and dedication to their school's breakfast program. Each morning, they prepare and distribute a selection of breakfast items to their peers. They played an integral role in building community and expanding school food programs on the North Shore, where all students have barrier-free access to a healthy breakfast before their classes.

**2025**

DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER



## A DAY TO REMEMBER AT GROUSE MOUNTAIN

On May 28th, Windsor's Éducation physique 8 classes took learning to new heights at the JABC Success Skills Summit on Grouse Mountain. The day was packed with team building, mental wellness workshops, and outdoor challenges, all against the stunning North Shore backdrop. We were honoured to start with a traditional welcome from Squamish elder William Kwel-A-A-Nexw Nahanee, reminding us of the importance of respect, connection, and place. The opening session featured keynote speaker Chris Wilson—a former helicopter pilot and aircraft maintenance engineer turned leadership expert and bestselling author—who shared powerful insights on clarity, momentum, and decision-making under pressure.

Students rotated through sessions focused on resilience, wellness, and outdoor leadership. They challenged themselves on the ropes course and brought great energy and teamwork throughout the day.

We're proud of how our students represented Windsor. Thank you to Ms. Brady for coordinating and to teacher candidate John Wragg for volunteering his time and support!

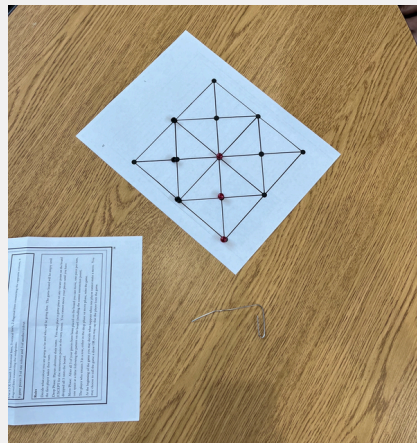
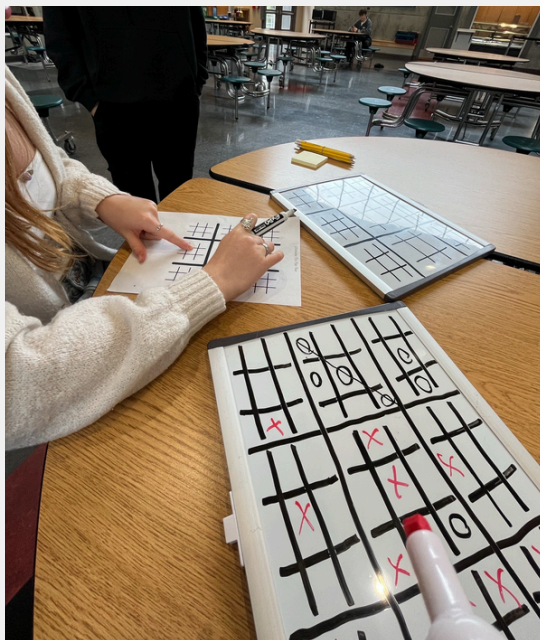




## EXPERIENCING INDIGENOUS GAMES

Games have long played an important role in preserving and passing down Indigenous culture and language, whether it is logical or physical. These games taught the youth cooperation, building teamwork, and help develop important social skills. Indigenous people played three categories of board games: games of chance, games of strategy, and lifestyle games. They helped build mathematical skills in youth, such as pattern recognition, counting, problem-solving, and critical thinking.

On May 16th, Windsor students had the honor of exploring several of these traditional games, led by Brandi Price, an Indigenous support teacher from NVSD. We played a variety of games that challenged our minds and built our teamwork. **Awithlanknannai**, a board game from the Zuni (part of the Pueblo Nation), uses strategic thinking and pattern recognition, much like checkers. **Picaria**, also from the Pueblo Nation, resembles a more complex version of tic-tac-toe that requires players to focus and make decisions. **Throw Sticks**, a game played by many Indigenous groups, teaches players patience and tests their luck. In some versions, the game even helps young Indigenous children learn to count in their Indigenous languages. We also played **Ultimate Tic-Tac-Toe**, which helps participants practice problem-solving and critical thinking.



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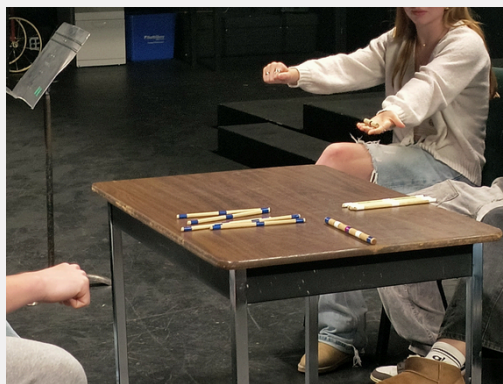
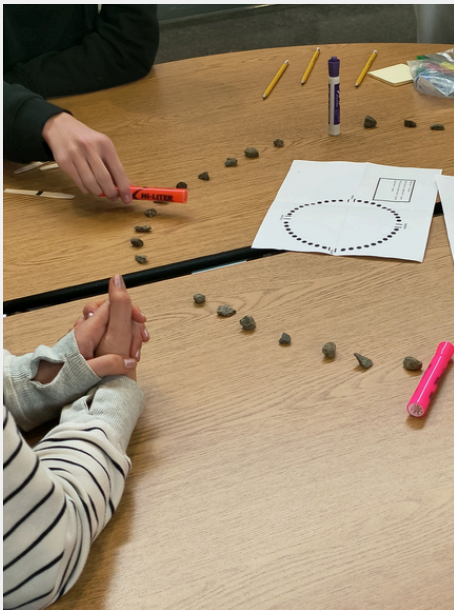
A highlight for many students was **Slahal**, a traditional gambling game played by the Coast Salish peoples. According to oral tradition, Slahal was gifted by the Creator to settle disputes through “bloodless war”. The game combines drumming, guessing, and strategy into an intense team activity. EFP 11 students played Slahal with traditional drumming provided by Nick George, an Indigenous support worker in the North Vancouver School District.

Beyond the entertainment, these games taught us respect, patience, and the importance of community in Indigenous cultures. They offered us a deeper understanding of how knowledge and values are passed down through generations. In June, English First Peoples 11 students will host Indigenous Games on June 11th during periods 1 & 2 in celebration of National Indigenous History Month. This will be another opportunity to learn from, honor, and appreciate Indigenous culture.

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## INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

### Homestay families urgently needed

Each year, the North Vancouver School District welcomes students from around the world to live and study in our vibrant community in the International Program. We strive to place secondary school international students with families who live close to school to support each student's integration into the school and wider community.

We still have several secondary school international students in need of a homestay placement for the school term beginning September 2025. If you are interested in hosting an international student, please reach out to our International Education program office at [international@sd44.ca](mailto:international@sd44.ca). More information about the homestay program is available on the [International Education](#) section of the school district website.

### International Education

Come Learn, Share and Grow where the ocean  
meets the mountains!



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## FOOD ACCESS FOR STUDENTS

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Windsor has had, for a number of years, a food access program available for students in need. This year we increased the visibility and access to food by setting up a hot and cold water station with a microwave on the 300 level. There are a number of breakfast and snack items available. We encourage students to bring a bowl and spoon for some items. We want to make sure that as a community we are looking out for each other and those students who are in need are priority for this program.

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## KEEP US IN THE LOOP!

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### Contact information

Please ensure your contact information, especially email and phone number, are up to date. You can see the contact information that Windsor has in MyEd. MyEd is also where you can access your students' timetable, report cards and attendance records.

[My Ed BC Portal Tips & Resources](#)

When changing your mailing address, please attach a copy of proof of address. An example would be a utility bill, BCID, Drivers Licence, credit card invoice etc.

### Vacations and Extended Absences

If a student is away for more than a couple of days, parents need to fill in a [Student Extended Absence form](#), to be signed by teachers. The form can be found on the [Windsor website](#).

Thank you for helping us keep up to date!

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## SCHOOL FEES

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Course fees have been added to your account. Please login to [School Cash Online](#) to make the payment. We appreciate the prompt payment of these fees so the teachers are able to purchase the supplies required for this school year as soon as possible.

Note that students with outstanding athletic and school fees will not be able to pick up their Yearbooks in June until their accounts are up to date.