



# École Secondaire Windsor Secondary School

## FAMILY NEWSLETTER- MAY 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:

#### MAY 1

[Asian Heritage Month](#)

#### MAY 2

8:00am- 4:00pm - High School Drag Racing

#### MAY 5

[Red Dress Day/National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-Spirit people](#)

[Music Monday](#)

District Pro-D Day (School closed)

#### MAY 7

11:40am-12:50pm - Grade 12 School wide presentations

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#### MAY 9

[School Communicators Day](#)

9:30am-12:30pm- Art Field Trip to the Emily Carr University's Grad Show

#### MAY 11

[Mother's Day](#)

#### MAY 12

7:30pm - WPAC meeting (library)

#### MAY 15

10:25-12:50pm- ICBC Mock Crash Event & Assembly (Grades 11 and 12)

#### MAY 16

8:00am- 4:00pm - High School Drag Racing

#### MAY 17

[International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia](#)

#### MAY 18

[Victoria Day Statutory Holiday](#) (school closed)

#### MAY 22

Social Justice Symposium (all day)

#### MAY 25-31

Grade 8 French Immersion Quebec Trip

#### MAY 28

[Red Shirt Day](#)

#### MAY 30

8:00am- 4:00pm - High School Drag Racing

#### MAY 31

5:30pm-11:00pm- Windsor Music Jazz Cabaret (Multipurpose Room)

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## ICBC MOCK CRASH

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On **Thursday, May 15**, Windsor Secondary will be hosting 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.

Please see below for key event details:

### Event Schedule

- **10:30AM** – Students will be report to their Period 7 classes and brought to the mock crash area in the **school parking lot**
- **10:45AM** – **Mock Crash Scenario** begins, simulating a serious vehicle accident
- **11:40AM – 12:50PM** – Students will move directly to an **assembly in the Large Gym**, featuring follow-up presentation during Period 5
- **12:50PM** – Students will be dismissed for lunch following the assembly

### What to Expect

- The event features **actors, vehicles, sound effects**, and participation from **local first responders** to create a realistic crash scene
- A **police officer will narrate** the event, helping students understand the consequences of risky driving behaviors
- A **quiet space (the library)** will be available for students who may need a break from the simulation or have opted out of attending. Please note that those who have opted out will still have to report to their Period 7 class for attendance.
- **Our counselling team** will be on site to support students as needed
- There will be Media on site as well
- The emergency vehicles will be using the cul-de-sac on Lytton as a staging area before the event.

### Important Note

Please be advised that **emergency vehicles** will be present on campus during the simulation. We are informing families and our school neighbors in advance to prevent alarm. If you are opting out of the event, please email me directly at [mfong@sd44.ca](mailto:mfong@sd44.ca).

This event has proven to be a meaningful learning experience for students, encouraging thoughtful conversations around driver safety. Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to reach out.

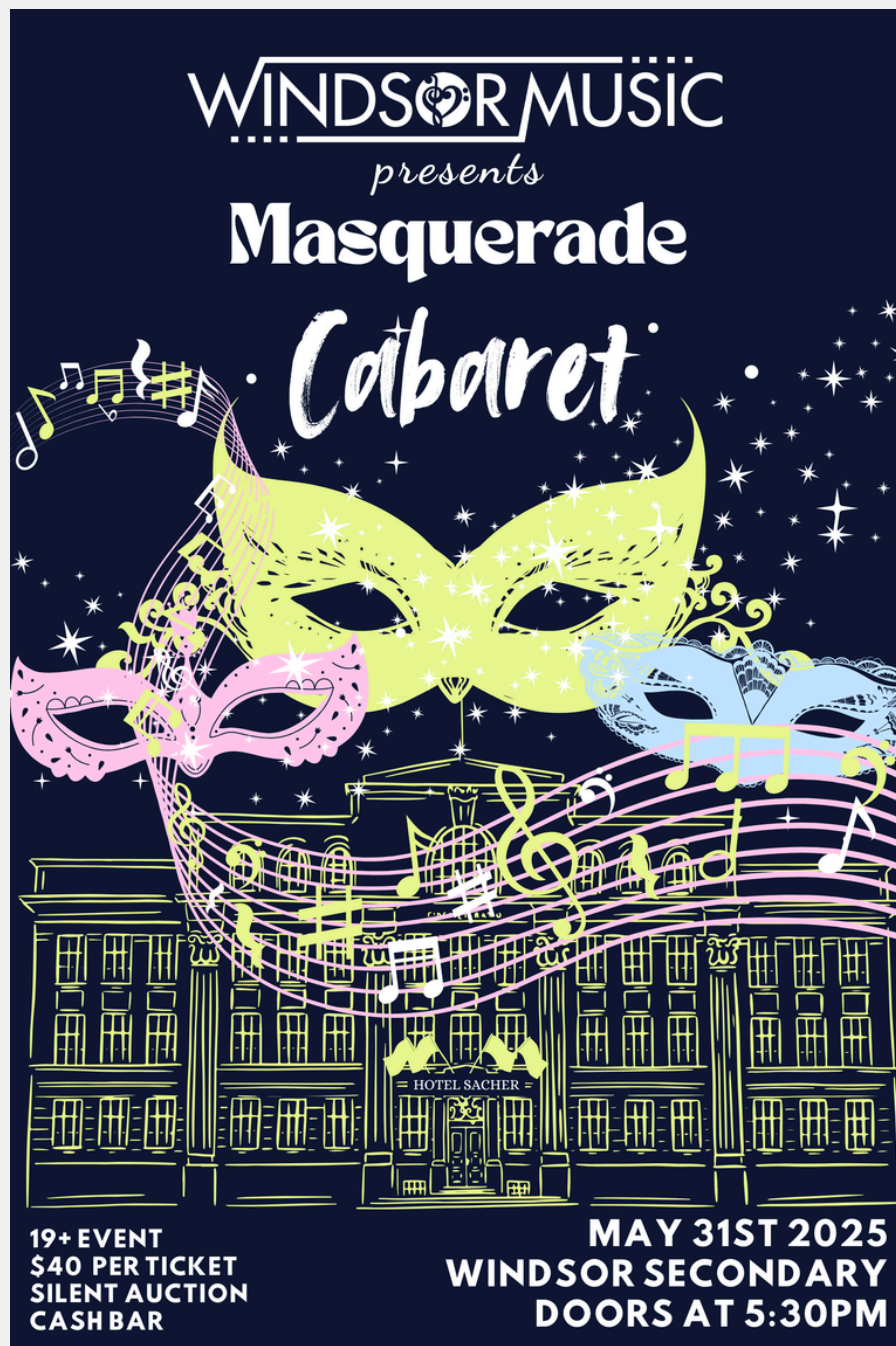
## WINDSOR MUSIC

Join Us for the Masquerade Jazz Cabaret!

Windsor Secondary is thrilled to host this year's Masquerade Jazz Cabaret on Saturday, May 31st from 5:30PM to 11:00PM— right here at our school! Enjoy an unforgettable evening of live jazz, delicious food, and community fun while supporting the incredible Windsor Music Program. Tickets are \$40 (19+ only) and available online starting Tuesday, April 22. No tickets will be sold at the door, so grab yours early!

Proceeds help fund our music program, and your support means the world to us.

Buy your tickets here: [Cabaret 2025 Tickets](#) | [Windsor Music](#)



## HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR PRESENTATION AT WINDSOR

On Monday, April 28th, Windsor had the profound honour of welcoming Michel Silver, a Holocaust survivor, to speak with our grades 10-12 social studies students. Sharing his powerful testimony, he brought history to life in a way that deeply resonated with all who attended. His message of resilience, compassion, and the importance of standing against injustice left a lasting impression on our school community. We are incredibly grateful for his willingness to share such personal and difficult memories with us. His visit will remain a meaningful and lasting part of our students' education, reminding them of the importance of empathy, courage, and remembrance—and of our collective responsibility to ensure that such atrocities never happen again.





## WINDSOR TENNIS



The Windsor Wolves have made their return to the court! Pictured here in their matching black and white with the Sentinel Spartans, grade 9s Claire (left) and Farah (right) represented Windsor in a friendly match full of energy, sportsmanship, and team spirit. Coach Ash is very proud of them for such a huge milestone and the start of an exciting new chapter for Windsor Tennis!

## WINDSOR GIRLS RUGBY

The Windsor Wolves girls Rugby team has been hard at work this season, showing impressive growth and resilience on the field. While the team faced tough matches against Argyle and Carson Graham, they've taken every opportunity to learn and improve, pushing themselves in every practice and game.

As the only AA team playing 15's on the North Shore and in Vancouver, the Wolves stand out for their determination and team spirit. This dedication has earned them an automatic berth at the AA Provincials in Abbotsford, taking place May 28th–31st.

Go Wolves!





## SENIOR MUSIC TRIP TO EUROPE: A WONDERFUL ADVENTURE

Our Senior Music students recently embarked on an unforgettable adventure across Europe! They visited three vibrant cities, experiencing all four seasons in one trip. Along the way, they had the incredible opportunity to perform music for local audiences in unique venues, sharing their talent and passion abroad. Between performances, the group enjoyed delicious food and created lasting memories together. It was truly a trip to remember, full of cultural experiences and music that will be cherished for years to come!





## BRITANNIA MINE MUSEUM

The Physical Geography 12 class visited the Britannia Mine Museum on April 28th as an extension of our current unit on natural resources. We took a train ride through the mine and even panned for gold! Students learned about the mine's history and continued efforts towards environmental sustainability.

Thank you to the Windsor PAC for covering the cost of transportation!





## BIKE AND SCOOTER THEFTS

Bike and Scooter Thefts (A message from the RCMP)

With the return of warmer weather, the RCMP is seeing an increase in scooter and bike thefts from school bike racks. These thefts are often crimes of opportunity, and unfortunately, students' bikes and scooters are frequent targets.

RCMP recommend students and families to:

- **Use a high-quality U-lock or heavy-duty lock (not just cable locks as they have been easily and quickly cut).**
- Record the serial number, make and model of their bike or scooter, and keep it somewhere safe in case it needs to be reported stolen (a photo is also helpful).



## GRAD BANQUET 2025

# Windsor Grad Banquet Tickets



**ON SALE APRIL 14-MAY 9**

**ON SCHOOL CASH ONLINE**

**WHEN: SATURDAY JUNE 21ST, 2025**

**WHERE: VANCOUVER CONVENTION CENTRE  
WEST**

**WHO: GRADS, THEIR FAMILIES AND GUESTS**

**COST: TICKETS ARE \$155/PERSON**

**TABLE CAPTAIN SHEETS:**

- TABLES FIT UP TO **10 PEOPLE**
- GRADS MUST SIT WITH THEIR FAMILIES
- PROVIDE THE **FULL NAME** OF EACH PERSON SITTING AT YOUR TABLE
- HAND IN YOUR SHEETS, SELECT A TABLE AND PICK UP YOUR TICKETS FROM **ROOM 410** ON MAY 14 AT LUNCH



**Congratulations!**  
**GRAD**



## **GRAD BANQUET 2025- Ticket Procedure**

Tickets for this year's graduation banquet will go on sale starting April 14th. Here are the relevant details you need to know when purchasing your tickets:

- Date of event: Saturday June 21st, 2025
- Time of event: Group Grad photo at 5:15pm followed by individual photos by GradsBC, doors open at 6:00pm, and dinner is served at 6:30pm
- Location of event: Vancouver Convention Centre West

### **How to buy tickets:**

- Tickets will be available for sale from April 14th – May 9th
- Payments can be made through the school cash online website:  
<https://sd44.schoolcashonline.com/>
- Tickets are \$155 each. One ticket is required per person (including graduates)
- There is no limit to the number of tickets that can be purchased by each graduate and their families/guests.

### **What do to once tickets are purchased:**

- Decide who you would like to sit with at the event
- Pick up one [table captain sheet](#) from the "Grad Info" board in the cafeteria or print one from the MS Teams Grad Info page and fill it in with the full names of each person sitting at the table
- Tables will seat up to 10 people comfortably and grade 12 students must sit with their families and guests
- Bring your table captain form to room 410 on May 14th at lunch to pick a table and pick up your tickets for the event
- All attendees must present their ticket at the door upon arrival to the banquet
- Any tables with fewer than 8 people may be filled with graduates and their families as needed

### **Questions?**

- Contact Ms. Wood, Ms. Anderson or Ms. Lum (Grad Council sponsor teachers) by email
- Ask a member of your Grad Council!

## SCHOOL FEES

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 or Grad Gowns in June until their accounts are up to date.

## ATTENDANCE

### TO REPORT AN ABSENCE:

- Email [windsor@sd44.ca](mailto:windsor@sd44.ca) (preferred) \*

Please remember to include the words  
**absence** or **attendance** in the subject line

- or Call Attendance Line: 604-903-3707

### WHEN REPORTING ABSENCES

-You may report an absence on same the day until 3:00 p.m., in advance for a future date if you know ahead of time, or for previous dates that were missed.

Please indicate:

- Student First Name
- Student Last Name (if leaving a voice message please spell the last name)
- Grade
- Date of absence (whole day/portion of the day)
- Explanation for absence ("excused", "ill", "appointment", "vacation").

It is critical that student absence explanations are specific to ensure accurate reporting to the School District and Public Health Unit, when necessary.

- Your name & relationship with the student. (Only messages from parents and legal guardians are accepted)



## PARKING AT WINDSOR

Parking is at a premium during the school day and with the need to provide adequate parking for school and district staff, guests, community, and students, we request that everyone adheres to the parking guidelines we have in place.

**1. Broadview Lot:** Parking is for school & district staff and visitors. Students may not park in this lot. Parents, please park in the available visitor spots. Please do not drop off students in the Broadview parking lot.

**2. Lytton Lot:** Parking is for staff and students.  
If this lot is full, students will need to park off school site.

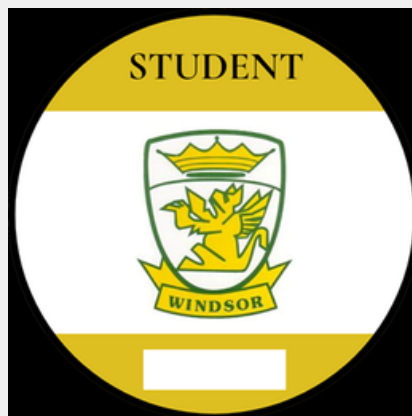
We have also noted an increase in the number of vehicles parked illegally including in areas clearly marked as no parking. For example, vehicles parked in yellow zones, areas marked for emergency vehicles, and in front of waste disposal bins.

While we have been reluctant to do so, having vehicles towed is an option. Vehicles parked in no parking zones and students who continue to disregard the parking guidelines may be towed. If your vehicle is towed, please contact Payless Auto Towing.

In order to park at Windsor students must:

- register their vehicles in the office
- adhere to the parking regulations
- display decal on their windshield

We continue to encourage students to walk or take transit to school.



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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!