

May 7, 2021

Dear Students, Staff and Families,

Re: 2021/2022 Secondary School Schedule

I am pleased to share the North Vancouver School District will adopt a semester system across our secondary schools for the 2021/2022 school year (note: this will not apply to Mountainside Secondary as their schedule will remain the same).

The decision to move to a semester system was based on feedback we received from students, families, teachers and staff, and I would like to thank everyone who took the time to provide input.

The semester system will see students take as many as four courses from September to January and as many as four courses from February to June. It is designed to be flexible and responsive, and allows schools the ability to:

- Maximize in-person, in-class instructional time.
- Maintain a later start time for scheduled classes.
- Offer students and staff a daily opportunity to receive or provide extra support.
- Seamlessly transition to the quarter system, should such a transition be necessary.

More detailed information about the semester system and scheduling will be made available closer to the start of the 2021/2022 school year.

As we continue to plan for the fall, health and safety remain a top priority for the North Vancouver School District. We will continue to work with Public Health, the Ministry of Education and our educational partners, to ensure we are providing safe and healthy learning environments that meet the needs of our school communities.

Should you have any questions regarding the information I have shared today, please reach out to your secondary school principal.

With appreciation,



Mark Pearmain
Superintendent, North Vancouver School District

