Events and Registrations



September 2022

Welcome to the first monthly Events and Registrations Update for the school year. We look forward to sharing with you a variety of initiatives and opportunities open to families of the North Vancouver School District.

Events

Standing Committee Meeting - September 13

A Board of Education Standing Committee Meeting takes place online (using Microsoft Teams) on Tuesday, September 13 at 7 p.m. Visit our <u>Public Meetings</u> web page for a meeting link and the meeting agenda (the latter is posted and available for review on the Thursday afternoon preceding the public meeting).

Workshop: How to be an anti-ableist in education – September 14

Hosted by NVPAC*, this online workshop will have participants learn what ableism and anti-ableism are, including examples, and discuss anti-ableist practices and actions that can be taken. Registration for this workshop, which takes place on Wednesday, September 14 at 7 p.m., is through <u>Eventbrite</u>.

*The North Vancouver School District's Parent Advisory Council (NVPAC) acts as a volunteer liaison between school PACs, parents/guardians, and the school district and represents the parent/guardian perspective regarding

broader educational matters. All PACs within the school district are members of NVPAC. Visit the <u>NVPAC</u> website for more information.

Public Board Meeting - September 20

A Board of Education Public Board Meeting takes place in-person on Tuesday, September 20 at 6:30 p.m. Visit our <u>Public Meetings</u> web page for information on attending meetings in person (you may also live-stream the meeting) and how you can provide input. The meeting agenda and board package will also be posted to this site and available for review on the Thursday afternoon preceding the public meeting.

Paths - Exhibition opens September 24

This year's fall exhibition, *Paths*, examines how paths connect us and the collective stories they hold. *Paths* brings together works from Artists for Kids' permanent collection, including recent acquisitions from Charlene Vickers, Russna Kaur and Angela George. For information about this exhibition hosted at the Gordon Smith Gallery, visit the <u>exhibition</u> web page.

General Local Election 2022 - October 15

General local elections, which will see residents of the City of North Vancouver and District of North Vancouver vote for their respective municipality's mayor, councillors and school trustees, will take place on Saturday, October 15.

North Vancouver Board of Education trustees will be elected for a four-year term (2022-2026):

- Three (3) City of North Vancouver trustees; and
- Four (4) District of North Vancouver trustees.

For key dates, voting locations and information about the role of the school trustee, visit our <u>2022 School Trustee Election</u> web page.

Kindergarten Information Session - October 26

A Kindergarten information session for parents/guardians of children who will enter Kindergarten in September 2023 will be held in person on Wednesday,

October 26 at Centennial Theatre. Families will gain a deeper understanding of the school district, including what they can expect as their child enters the school system. More information about the session will be posted soon to the <u>Kindergarten section</u> of our website.

Registrations

After School Art Classes - Registration opens September 13 (noon)

Registration for Artists for Kids (AFK) After School Art classes for students opens on Tuesday, September 13 at noon. Taught by art specialist teachers and assisted by secondary art students, a variety of classes provides students the opportunity to further their artistic ability and foster positive attitudes towards the visual arts. Visit the <u>After School Art</u> web page for details and to register.

Elementary Band & Strings – Late registration ends September 29

Late registration for the Elementary Band and Strings program for the 2022/2023 school year ends on Thursday, September 29. Programs will be offered at the following schools:

- Strings (Grades 4-7) at Braemar, Canyon Heights, Cleveland, Dorothy Lynas, Highlands, Larson, Montroyal, and Ross Road.
- Band (Grades 5-7) at all schools, except Montroyal, Norgate and Larson.

For more information, including program fees, visit our <u>Elementary Band and Strings</u> web page.

2023/2024 Kindergarten – Registration begins October 31

Registration for priority placement for 2023/2024 Kindergarten (children born in 2018) begins on Monday, October 31, and continues until Friday, December 9. Detailed instructions on the registration process, including forms and

documentation required, will be available soon on the <u>Kindergarten registration</u> web page.

Additional Information and Opportunities

School district permission forms

Each year, parents/guardians are asked to complete school district permission forms online using our <u>SchoolCash Online</u> system. Instructions on how to complete the following forms were sent to families via email before the start of the school year:

- Impromptu Walking Field Trip Informed Consent
- Personal Information Consent for School District Publications
- Student Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement

Please complete these forms online (and ideally, before the end of this first week of school). All other permission forms are paper based, and you will receive them directly from your child's school. Should you have any questions about form completion or require assistance, please contact your child's school.

Settlement Workers in Schools program

To assist newcomer students and their families settle into their school and community, the North Vancouver School District, in partnership with Impact North Shore, has a school-based outreach program, Settlement Workers in Schools (SWIS). Learn more about the program by visiting our <u>Settlement Workers in Schools</u> web page.