



BURNABY CENTRAL secondary school

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Dear Parents/Guardians and Grade 8 Students:

Welcome to Burnaby Central! At Burnaby Central, our mission is to facilitate lifelong learning for students and staff in a caring, respectful and inclusive environment while encouraging a socially responsible lifestyle. Our staff is looking forward to working with you to make this a memorable school year filled with new friendships, involvement in school activities and academic success. Please make sure you are familiar with general school routines, as well as behavioural and academic expectations. We value an atmosphere of mutual caring, respect and cooperation. These expectations are designed to support our School Code of Conduct at Burnaby Central. Information will be posted on school website, <http://central.burnabyschools.ca/>.

Our school team is here to support you in any way we can to make your transition to secondary school as comfortable as possible. We encourage all Grade 8 students and parents to take a look at the [Gr 8 Welcome Guide](#) as a resource if you have any questions.

Tuesday, September 5th, 2023

School opening is Tuesday, September 5th. All Gr 8 students will be scheduled for a safety and school orientation to take place on September 5th in the large gym at 12:30pm and will be dismissed at 3pm.

The Schedule for grade 8 students on opening day, Tuesday, September 5th is:
12:30pm – 3:00pm – Large Gym

- This orientation will cover the information for our school, explain our timetable, new bell schedule, flex time, locker instructions and student photo information, so that students arrive on September 6th prepared to safely begin their classes. On Sept 5th, students will receive their timetable schedule for the school year and instructions for their MyEDBC accounts in this orientation. Our gr 8 students will also enjoy activities lead by our leadership students and end the day with a BBQ lunch. We will be providing a barbecue hot dog lunch but ask that students bring a water bottle that can be refilled throughout the day. Other drinks will not be provided. Should this lunch not be suitable for your child, please be sure that they bring a packed lunch.

- All Grade 8 parents, please click [here](#) for instructions to parent MyEd portal. Please note that the parent view does NOT provide complete information on your child's timetable, so it is essential that your child log into their own account to access this information. Please click [here](#) for student instructions to MyEdBC. **The MyEdBC portal will open on the evening Friday, September 1st.**

- Please see our school website for more information about accessing your MyEdBC account. If you still are having a problem, please email sherry.steinhauser@burnabyschools.ca

Regular Classes will begin September 6th, 2023.

This will be the first day of regularly scheduled classes. If you did not pick up your timetable on the first day of school, you can report to the office to get a copy. Timetables can also be viewed by logging in to the MyEducation Database. During the first few weeks of school, please remind your child to check and make sure they have the correct textbooks and materials for the day. **From Sept 6 - 8, Grade 8 students will report to their PERIOD 1 class at 8:35 am**

Bell Schedule 2023/2024

Wednesday, September 6th is the first day of regularly scheduled classes for all students. **Flex will begin the week of September 11th. From September 6th – 8th, students are to report to their Period 1 class at 8:35am, there is no FLEX in the first week of school.** This year we will have two alternating bell schedules: A Regular Week schedule, and a 2-Period Day Week Schedule. Please see the Student Calendar posted on the school website for the schedule. Please Note: Alternate Bell Schedule from Sept 6-8.

OPENING WEEK SCHEDULE, SEPT 6-8

8:35-9:55 (80m)	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1
9:55-10:10	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
10:10-11:30 (80m)	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2
Lunch					
12:15-1:35 (80m)	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3
1:40-3:00 (80m)	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4

BELL SCHEDULE 2023-2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
PERIOD X 7:15 - 8:30	PERIOD X 7:15 - 8:30	PERIOD X 7:15 - 8:30	PERIOD X 7:15 - 8:30	PERIOD X 7:15 - 8:30
WARNING BELL 8:30	WARNING BELL 8:30	WARNING BELL 8:30	WARNING BELL 8:30	WARNING BELL 8:30
FLEXIBLE STUDENT SUPPORT TIME 8:35 - 9:05	FLEXIBLE STUDENT SUPPORT TIME 8:35 - 9:05	FLEXIBLE STUDENT SUPPORT TIME 8:35 - 9:05	FLEXIBLE STUDENT SUPPORT TIME 8:35 - 9:05	EXTENDED FLEX / TEACHER COLLAB 8:35 - 9:25
PERIOD 1 9:05 - 10:20	PERIOD 1 9:05 - 10:20	PERIOD 1 9:05 - 10:20	PERIOD 1 9:05 - 10:20	PERIOD 1 9:25 - 10:30
NUTRITION BREAK WARNING BELL 10:30	NUTRITION BREAK WARNING BELL 10:30	NUTRITION BREAK WARNING BELL 10:30	NUTRITION BREAK WARNING BELL 10:30	NUTRITION BREAK WARNING BELL 10:40
PERIOD 2 10:35 - 11:45	PERIOD 2 10:35 - 11:45	PERIOD 2 10:35 - 11:45	PERIOD 2 10:35 - 11:45	PERIOD 2 10:45 - 11:50
LUNCH BREAK WARNING BELL 12:25	LUNCH BREAK WARNING BELL 12:25	LUNCH BREAK WARNING BELL 12:25	LUNCH BREAK WARNING BELL 12:25	LUNCH BREAK WARNING BELL 12:30
PERIOD 3 12:30 - 1:45	PERIOD 3 12:30 - 1:45	PERIOD 3 12:30 - 1:45	PERIOD 3 12:30 - 1:45	PERIOD 3 12:35 - 1:40
PERIOD 4 1:50 - 3:00	PERIOD 4 1:50 - 3:00	PERIOD 4 1:50 - 3:00	PERIOD 4 1:50 - 3:00	PERIOD 4 1:45 - 2:50

2 Period Day Week Bell Schedule 2023/2024

Sem 1:	Sem 2:
Oct 4-5	Mar 6-7
Nov 1-2	Apr 17-18
Jan 17-18	May 29-30

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PERIOD 2 10:35 - 11:45	PERIOD 2 10:35 - 11:45	PERIOD 1 10:45 - 11:45	PERIOD 2 10:45 - 11:45	PERIOD 2 10:45 - 11:50
LUNCH BREAK WARNING BELL 12:25	LUNCH BREAK WARNING BELL 12:25	LUNCH BREAK WARNING BELL 12:25	LUNCH BREAK WARNING BELL 12:25	LUNCH BREAK WARNING BELL 12:30
PERIOD 3 12:30 - 1:45	PERIOD 3 12:30 - 1:45	PERIOD 3 12:30 - 1:40	PERIOD 4 12:30 - 1:40	PERIOD 3 12:35 - 1:40
		BREAK WARNING BELL 1:45	BREAK WARNING BELL 1:45	
PERIOD 4 1:50 - 3:00	PERIOD 4 1:50 - 3:00	PERIOD 3 1:50 - 3:00	PERIOD 4 1:50 - 3:00	PERIOD 4 1:45 - 2:50

What is Flexible Student Support Time?

- Working with students to support student learning.
- Personalized non-enrolling instructional time to support student learning choice and agency.
- Opportunity for group work/collaboration with peers.
- Time for linear learning support or enrichment – students can connect with their classroom teacher and other support personnel.

More information will be provided to students in their opening orientation.

School Fees – School Cash Online System

All students pay a \$30 Student Activity Fee. This fee covers items such as Student ID Cards, and support for Student Government, clubs, intramurals and other activities. Yearbooks may be purchased for \$55. Students are encouraged to purchase the yearbook early as the cost will increase to \$65 after January 31, 2024.

To pay school fees, please use the Burnaby School District’s secure online payment program, School Cash Online.

Parents must register for School Cash Online program through <http://burnaby.schoolcashionline.com> or quick Links on Central’s website at <http://central.burnabyschools.ca>. Once registered, you will be notified by email when any fees are available for payment. Please click [here](#) for instructions. **Student fees will also be collected starting on Wednesday, September 6th.**

Cafeteria Service

Students wishing to purchase snacks or meals, may do so in the school cafeteria. Our cafeteria menu includes both hot and cold items and is open at lunch. Payment options include debit and cash.

School Supplies

Please click [here](#) for the recommended school supplies. Each teacher will inform his/her students about supply requirements for his/her specific course. Students should arrive at their first class on Sept 6th, with a binder and pen or pencil.

Lockers

Gr 8s will receive their locker information on Sept 5th. Any questions or concerns regarding locker information, please contact Sherry Steinhauser at the main office or at sherry.steinhauser@burnabyschools.ca.

Student Information Forms

Most start-up forms will be available digitally, please go to link: <https://forms.sd41.bc.ca/Forms/sdconsentac>
We ask that parents/guardians to complete the following forms prior to Friday, September 15 (please have your child's Personal Education Number (PEN) to complete form:

- Media Release Consent
- Digital Responsibility Guidelines
- Student Emergency Release

School Communication

Regular school communication is done via email. All parents who have an email address on file will automatically be added to our listserv database. If you are not yet a member or need to update your contact info, please send an email with your child's name and grade, along with any changes, to sherry.steinhauser@burnabyschools.ca. The "MyEd Family Portal" is also an important means of communication. Email addresses for school staff can also be found on the website or you may log in to your MyEd account and use the database to send emails to your child's teacher(s). The calendar on the website is also a source for important dates pertaining to activities and events at Burnaby Central. Please remember to frequently check our school website <http://central.burnabyschools.ca/> for current information.

Burnaby Central Advisory Council - PAC

We invite you to attend Parent Advisory Committee meetings and become involved in the parent association. The first meeting will be on Monday, September 11th at 7pm, in a format yet to be determined. We hope you are able to join us for these meetings throughout the year.

Optional Accident Insurance

The school and school district do not cover students if an injury occurs during an extra-curricular, sporting or school activity, i.e. dental injury, broken bone, etc
Student accident insurance offers insurance coverage for students. It is especially valuable for families who do not have extended health or dental plans, or whose plans are limited. For full details and to obtain insurance forms and/ or quotes, please go to <https://www.solutionsinsurance.com/aonbc>.

Student Timetables

Last year, all Grade 8s were given a choice of a Fine Arts elective and an ADST (Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies) rotation elective courses, and we always do our best to make sure that students are enrolled in the classes of their choice. *Grade 8's will be receiving a printed schedule at their orientation on September 5th.*

As counsellors will be working on student timetables during the last week of August and first few days of September, the MyEducation portal will be opened **on the evening of Friday, September 1st** for students to access their schedules.

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Important Contacts

Counsellor	Alphabet	Schedule	Email Address
Rosa Westinghouse	A-F	Mon - Fri	rosa.westinghouse@burnabyschools.ca
Sonia Dhaliwal	G-Le/ Indigenous	Mon - Fri	sonia.dhaliwal@burnabyschools.ca
Rhiannon Jones	Lf-S	Mon - Fri	rhiannon.jones@burnabyschools.ca
David Katsionis	T-Z/ International	Mon-Fri	david.katsionis@burnabyschools.ca

PrincipalTim Wozney tim.wozney@burnabyschools.ca
Vice-Principal (A-K) Mark Allen mark.allen@burnabyschools.ca
Vice Principal(L-Z): Angela Basran angela.basran@burnabyschools.ca
Learning Support Services Department Head: Inderjeet Ranu Inderjeet.ranu@burnabyschools.ca
Indigenous Success Worker: Madison Stewart madison.stewart@burnabyschools.ca
International Support Liaisons: Ayaka Kojima ayaka.kojima@burnabyschools.ca
School Safe Specialist: Wayne Best wayne.best@burnabyschools.ca
Student Records (Request changes to student/parent contact
information): Faye Zhong faye.zhong@burnabyschools.ca
Child's teacher (Email is always best) – located on school website
.....firstname.lastname@burnabyschools.ca

Calendar Dates:

Please make a note of the following important dates in September:

September 11thFirst PAC Meeting @ 7pm, TBA
September 18th..... Grade 8 Retreat
September 20th.....Photo Day - all students must have their photo taken for their Go Card and yearbook
September 21st Bring Your Parent to School Night - 6pm
September 22nd.....Professional Development Day - No Classes
September 25th Clubs Day (In th Commons)
September 26th Terry Fox Run
September 29th..... Orange Shirt Day
October 2nd.....National Day of Truth & Reconciliation (Non-Instructional Day)

The staff of Burnaby Central Secondary are eager to welcome our new Grade 8 students and our returning Central Wildcats back to school. We are dedicated to ensuring that you have a positive and safe school year.

Sincerely,

Mr. T.Wozney
Principal

Mr. M. Allen
Vice Principal
Students with last names:
(A – K) & International

Ms. A. Basran
Vice Principal
Students with last names:
(L- Z) & Indigenous

