



# Lake City Secondary School

## April 2025 Newsletter

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# Happy Easter!

### Important Dates

Apr. 7-10 Provincial Assessments  
Apr. 8 – LCSS Bingo fundraiser  
Apr. 11 – Pro-D Day  
Apr. 14 – Dry Grad meeting  
Apr. 14 – PAC meeting  
Apr. 15 – PAC Movie Night  
Apr. 17 – Dry Grad Parade entry forms due  
Apr. 18 – Good Friday  
Apr. 21 – Easter Monday  
Apr. 22 – Earth Day  
Apr. 23-24 – Early Dismissal Days  
Apr. 24 – Term 3 Ends  
May 8 – Term 3 Learning Updates posted  
May 19 – Victoria Day Holiday

**Grade 12 - Career Life Connections (CLC)** is a course requirement that must be completed outside of the timetable. Grade 12 students will receive a letter grade for this course. If Grade 12 students do not complete the 3 component requirements, they will not graduate. The 3 components are: online course work, work experience and a Capstone project. Any questions please contact Ms. Nowotny at the school.



### Code of conduct

Our School Code of Conduct is a living document that we continually amend and adapt to ensure our school is safe and student expectations are clear. This year, we added a section around the use of Digital Devices. Studies have shown that students cannot learn when they are distracted by phones and other devices so no digital devices are permitted in classes or during instructional time. Students who cannot meet these expectations will have their phone taken away until the end of class. If you have any questions or feedback please let the school know.

[LCSS Code of Conduct 2024-25](#)

### Calling in Absences

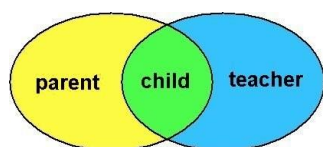
At Lake City Secondary we feel regular attendance is a crucial component of academic performance. Students are expected to be on time and attend every class. If students are ill or cannot attend for other reasons, **it is up to the parent or guardian to notify the School Messenger system** at 1 (833) 582-6944, using the phone app, website login or calling the school. <https://go.schoolmessenger.com> All undocumented absences will be considered unexcused and may result in consequences. Poor attendance may result in a file review.

# F O O D

**Breakfast for Learning** - our school offers quick and simple breakfast food options to get the day going from 8:05am-8:30am every morning. Options include toast, fruit, yogurt, granola bars and tea. This grab and go breakfast opportunity is free and open for all students.

**Snacks** – healthy snacks are available to all students at no charge during breaks.

**Lunch** – Each day there are free lunch options available to all students who cannot bring a lunch. Options could include taco salads, pasta, soup, sandwiches, hot dogs, pizza and more!



**Parent Advisory Council:** A strong relationship between the school and parents is very important in a child's education, and one way of being involved with the school is to be a member of the PAC. All parents are invited to attend Lake City Secondary PAC meetings. The meetings are usually held on the third Monday of each month in the Library. ***Next meeting Monday April 14 at 7:15pm.***

## Grade 10 & 12 Literacy and Numeracy Assessments

All Grade 10 students are required to complete a Grade 10 Literacy and Numeracy Assessments and Grade 12 students must complete a Grade 12 Literacy Assessment to meet graduation requirements. There are 2 more scheduled assessment sessions throughout the year: April 7-11, and June 2-13.

**All Grade 10 & 12 students are required to write these assessments as part of their graduation requirements.**



**Volunteering at the School** – All volunteers volunteering their time to support school events must have a criminal record check completed before they start helping out. This includes driving students, dry grad, coaching, helping in a classroom, etc. To apply online go to the link below and enter the password:

Online Link: <https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck>

Lake City Secondary Access Code: **3RMX4S4KYY**

**Student Learning Survey 2024/2025** - The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and

provides a district and provincial perspective. In April, 2025 the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 10-12, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included. The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at [Student Learning Survey](#). Any computer or mobile device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link and by clicking on Take the Survey. On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the Results section. The e-survey site will be open until May 2, 2025. If you have any questions, please contact the school.



**Grad & Dry Grad 2025** – LCSS Graduation Ceremony is June 13<sup>th</sup> and dry grad is June 14<sup>th</sup>. We have a very large grad class this year so each grad will only be given **6 tickets** for family and friends and to come watch. This year's dry grad committee is busy planning the event and looking for lots of volunteers to organize and hold an amazing dry grad event for the grads of 2025!

Next meeting is **Monday April 14 at 6:30pm in the LCSS Commons.**

**GRAD 2025**

**Mailing Addresses:** Grads – please make sure you have an up-to-date mailing address submitted to the office as all diplomas will be mailed to your home mailing address on file.

**Grad fees** are \$60.00 and can be paid directly to the school. If you are writing a cheque, please make it payable to 'Lake City Secondary School'.

**Dry Grad fees** are \$80.00 and can be paid directly to the Dry Grad committee via e-transfer at [wldrygradfees@gmail.com](mailto:wldrygradfees@gmail.com)

**Dry Grad Parade entry forms** are due April 17<sup>th</sup>. Forms can be picked up at the office.

As we near closer to the Grad Event we are seeking volunteers for the night of Dry Grad (June 14, 2025). The event is entirely volunteer driven. Areas to volunteer include Activities, Baggage, Food, and Security. We will need lots of people and will split shifts into **2-hour slots**. If you're able to be there for the whole night, you can always move to different areas to help out. That way you get to move around and see more. **Please talk to family, friends and community members to help with a very important event that is designed to keep our youth safe and able to create a lasting memory.**

Also note that due to security and maintaining a secure environment for the grads, that only grads and registered dates that have gone through security and volunteers who have successfully completed Criminal Record Checks for LCSS, can gain access to the complex.

If you are interested, please email [wldrygrad2025@outlook.com](mailto:wldrygrad2025@outlook.com) with name of volunteer, contact details, whether a Criminal Record Check has been completed, and availability.

For those who need to have a check done, please don't leave it to the last minute! The school is enrolled with the Criminal records Online Program. You can submit an application at: <https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck> **Use the access code 3RMX4S4KYY**

We look forward to hearing back from you about volunteering and thank everyone for their support and hard work to make this a successful event.

**Dry Grad Fundraising** – Dry grad has an account at the Return It depot so if anyone has any empty's to donate please drop it off and say it is for Williams Lake Dry Grad 2025.

**2025 Graduates!** - Please ensure that you check in with Ms. Nowotny and Ms. Palmer at the Career Centre to ensure that all your graduation requirements are being met, as well as your work experience and CLC/Capstone course work.

**Bus Registration** – is now open for all **eligible riders**. To register go to the School District website under *Transportation* and choose *Bus Registration*.

## School Sports Teams and Clubs




Sports teams, and other student extracurricular activities will be up and running. Students are asked to listen carefully to announcements for information. Sports teams include: Rugby, Soccer, Volleyball, Wrestling, Basketball, Badminton and Track and Field. School clubs include Vibe City, Model UN, Student Voice, Enviro, and 'Greenologists'. Many others may develop – keep your ears open 😊

## **TRACK & FIELD SEASON STARTS MARCH 31!**

Does your teen want to get active, build fitness, and try something new? Track & Field season kicks off soon, and all athletes are welcome—no experience needed!

 **Practices:** Mondays & Tuesdays @ **WL Track**, Thursdays @ **Columneetza Field**

 **Time:** 3:30 - 4:30 PM

 **Coaches:** Chloe Menard & John Shepard

Encourage your teen to join the team, challenge themselves, and have fun! Questions? See Ms. Menard or Mr. Shepard for details.

**Big Brothers Big Sisters ‘Bowl for Kids Sake’** – This is a great opportunity to raise some money to support kids in our local community. The theme for this event is ‘Disco Night’ and funds raised will help Big Brothers Big Sisters continue serving children and youth. It will be a three-day event and the schedule is as follows:

**Friday, April 11:**

2 time slots: 6:00–8:00 PM and 8:00–10:00 PM

**Saturday, April 12:**

3 time slots: 4:00–6:00 PM, 6:00–8:00 PM, and 8:00–10:00 PM

**Sunday, April 13:**

2 time slots: 4:00–6:00 PM and 6:00–8:00 PM

To secure your spot email [daniela.urbina@bigbrothersbigsisters.ca](mailto:daniela.urbina@bigbrothersbigsisters.ca) or visit our website or Facebook page to complete the form and submit your team. <https://williamslake.bigbrothersbigsisters.ca/event/bowl-kids-sake-2-2/>

**Attendance & Success:** There is a direct correlation between student attendance and success. Please talk to your child about attending regularly and staying caught up with homework and assignments. If your child is struggling with attendance and/or falling behind, please contact their teacher directly at any time. LCSS is actively working to improve attendance and engagement for all learners.

## Attendance Matters!!!

<b>Administration Team</b> Curt Levens, Principal Yvonne Davis, Vice-Principal Nara Riplinger, Vice-Principal	<b>Clerical Team</b> Jennifer Stirling, Office Front Desk Kelsey Chappell, Office Records & Registration Lisa Hutchinson, Office Records & Registration Coralee LeBourdais, Office Finance
<b>Counselling Team</b> David Julius, School Counselor Steve Carpenter, School Counselor Kim Nowotny, Career Center Michelle Palmer, Career Center	<b>Student Support Team</b> Elannie Hunlin, Indigenous Support Worker Bonnie Robinson, Indigenous Support Worker Karen Grant, Indigenous Support Worker Lora Fairbrother, Youth Engagement Worker

### *Student/Parent Resources*

[Suicide Crisis Helpline: 988](#) Call or text for a safe place to talk, 24 hours a day, every day of the year.

[ERASE](#) (Expect Respect & Safe Education) Anonymous reporting tool for students.

[Vaping Information for Parents](#)

[Screen time and digital device information for Parents](#)

[Lake City Secondary School Website](#)

[Lake City Secondary Facebook Page](#)

[Healthy Schools Information](#)

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## *Lake City Secondary PAC*

Date: *Tuesday, April 8, 2025*

Location: *Elizabeth Grouse Gymnasium in Sugar Cane*

Doors open at 4:30pm, Bingo starts at **6:00 pm**

Package Price: \$40.00 includes 4 walk ins (3 cards), 8 regular games (12 cards), 4 Specials (3 cards)

### *All Cash Prizes*

Extra Specials and Books can be purchased.

Payouts are based on sales! Booklets can be purchased at the door.

Door Prize, Concession, Loonie Auction and 50/50.

Proceeds go towards the *Lake City Secondary PAC to support graduates as they head to college or university.*

This is a 19+ Event

Everybody welcome – please come out and support our students.

We would like to send a huge shout out to the *Williams Lake First Nation* for helping make this event happen!

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