



# Lake City Secondary School

## May 2026 Newsletter

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# MAY FLOWERS!!

### Important Dates

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| May 5     | Red Dress Day                                     |
| May 6     | Education Planner<br>Parent Session               |
| May 7     | Term 3 Learning<br>Updates posted                 |
| May 11    | Dry Grad Meeting                                  |
| May 13    | Children of the Streets<br>Presentations          |
| May 13    | Safer School Together<br>Online safety<br>session |
| May 13-14 | WL Job Fair                                       |
| May 14    | Grade 12 Capstone<br>Presentations                |
| May 18    | Victoria Day Holiday                              |
| May 25    | PAC Meeting                                       |
| Jun. 8-19 | Provincial<br>Assessments                         |
| June 12   | Grad 2026   |
| June 13   | Dry Grad  |

### Grade 12 - Career Life Connections (CLC) is

graduation 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.



**Capstone presentations are on Wednesday May 14!!!**

### 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. We encourage feedback from parents to ensure our Code of Conduct is clear and helps guide student behaviour. Please become familiar with our Code of Conduct and contact school administration with any questions or comments:

[LCSS Code of Conduct](#)

### School Safety

**Sign in at the office** - Just a reminder that all visitors to our school must check in at the office upon arrival. This includes all parents, community members, district staff and students who do not attend LCSS.

**Locked doors** – All doors are locked during instructional time except for our front doors at the main entrance. Some doors are unlocked during breaks and lunch when supervision is present.

**Worrisome behavior training** – All staff will take training in identifying and reporting worrisome behaviour to support risky behaviour early on.

**Erase REPORT IT TOOL** - The erase|Report It tool lets students send a secure, anonymous and confidential message to your school or school district's Safe School Coordinator, who will follow up on it right away by letting your Principal or Vice-Principal know help is needed. You do not have to provide your name unless you want to, but leaving your name helps, so that your Principal or Vice-Principal(s) can quickly support you. See below for more inform

### Steps for Reporting ANY Concerns at School - Students

**Have you seen or heard something that concerns you?**

**Has something happened to you that you need to report?**

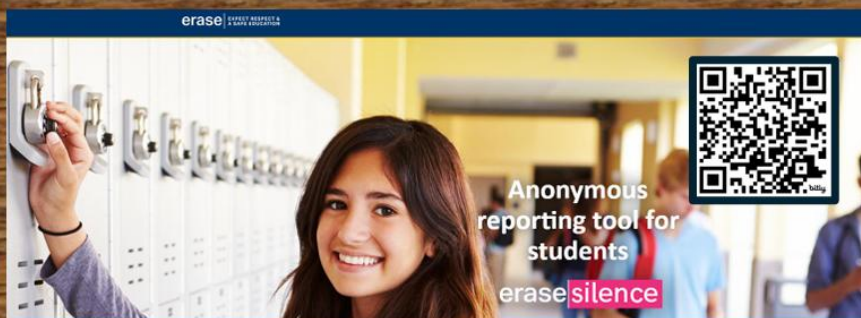


1. Tell a trusted adult at school:
  - Teacher
  - Staff Member: Counsellor, Indigenous Support Worker, Education Assistant, Youth Engagement Worker, Custodian, Secretary, Noon Hour Supervisor or Bus Driver
  - Principal or Vice-Principal *\*Reports made to a trusted adult at school will be reported to the Principal or Vice-Principal.*
2. Tell a friend at school who can then tell a trusted adult at school.
3. Tell you parent or caregiver who can then tell the Principal or Vice-Principal.
4. Use the **erase Report It Tool**.
  - All reports go to the Safe School Coordinator for CCSD27 and then to the school Principal or Vice-Principal

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Messages are only monitored during your school's operational hours. If this is an emergency, please call 911 immediately.



**Education Planner BC Parent Session** – If you would like more information about careers and post-secondary opportunities join this informative session Wednesday May 6 at 6:30. See the bottom of this newsletter for more information and the link to register.

**Children of the Streets Presentation** – Wednesday May 13 at 6:30 in the LCSS Commons there will be a free presentation for all parents and guardians about keeping kids safe online. For more event details please visit [www.ccchild.org/onlinesafety](http://www.ccchild.org/onlinesafety)

**The Inclusive Calendar** is a great resource to see the different holidays and observances happening in BC and Canada so check out the School District's Inclusive calendar at: [Inclusive School Calendar](#)

## **Steps to Resolve Concerns**

If you have concerns with a situation at the school there are steps to follow to ensure your concern is dealt with efficiently and properly. Please refer to [Steps to Resolve Concerns](#) for more information.

## **Student Homework Support Group**

The Cariboo Chilcotin Partners for Literacy will be running tutoring and homework support at Lake City Secondary! This tutoring session is specifically for Indigenous students but all students are welcome to attend every Tuesday and Thursday in the LCSS Library from 3:30-4:30.

## **School Bus Conduct**

Overall student behaviour on buses has been good, but at times issues do arise so we are always looking to make things better for students. As part of these ongoing improvements, we will be introducing designated seating on our buses, by age group zones or specific seating to accommodate inclusive needs and to proactively promote positive behaviour. Age group zones will have the youngest students at the front of the bus, working backwards to the oldest students. This simple structure helps create consistency for students, supports positive behaviour, seats students with peers of a similar age, and makes our buses safer and more predictable for everyone. Many children benefit from clear routines, and this approach helps drivers focus on what they do best: transporting students in a safe and orderly manner. For more information about bus protocol please visit the link:

[Bus Protocol Information](#)

## **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.

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**Breakfast for Learning** - our school offers quick and simple breakfast food options to get the day going from 8:05am-8:40am 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 and the office always has snacks ready to go.

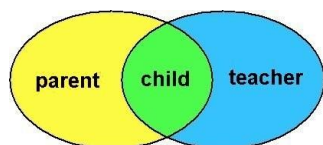
**Lunch** – Each day there are lunch options students can purchase at a discounted price. Options could include taco salads, pasta, soup, sandwiches, hot dogs, pizza and more! If students are hungry but have no money they just need to let the office know and we will ensure they will get lunch.



**Student of the Week** is selected by a different staff member each week based on positive actions of the students that contribute to our school's culture. Each teacher chooses their own criteria under a theme of the Indigenous Circle of Courage: Belonging, Mastery, Independence and/or Generosity. Student of the Week pictures will be posted on our Facebook page and in the WL Tribune.

## Grade 10 & 12 Literacy and Numeracy Assessments

All Grade 10 students are required to complete a Grade 10 Literacy and Numeracy Assessment and Grade 12 students must complete a Grade 12 Literacy Assessment to meet graduation requirements. Their final assessment schedule is June 8-19. **All Grade 10 & 12 students are required to write these assessments as part of their graduation requirements.** Students will be informed of their exam schedule at least a week in advance. Students can rewrite these assessments to improve their marks if they choose.



**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 our PAC. All parents are invited to attend Lake City Secondary PAC meetings. Student whose parents attend at least 70% of meetings in their grad year could earn a PAC bursary!!! The meetings are usually held on the third Monday of each month at 7:15 pm in the library.

**NEXT MEETING: Monday May 25<sup>th</sup> in the LCSS Library – 7:15pm**

**Volunteering at the School** – All parents 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**



**Grad 2026** – LCSS Graduation Ceremony is Friday June 12<sup>th</sup> and dry grad is Saturday June 13<sup>th</sup>. The Dry Grad committee is always looking for volunteers so more information will be coming soon. As always, lots of volunteers will be needed to pull off another great dry grad! **Next Dry Grad meeting is Monday May 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the LCSS Commons!**

## GRAD 2026!!!

### Dry Grad update

- **Dry grad forms and package due May 8!!!**

- Grads please send baby/childhood pictures to [erin.dell@sd27.bc.ca](mailto:erin.dell@sd27.bc.ca)

- Dry Grad Raffle tickets on sale now! \$10.00 per ticket with some amazing prizes (see below for more info)! To purchase tickets, contact [Wldrygradfundraising@outlook.com](mailto:Wldrygradfundraising@outlook.com).

- Any grads who need a ride for the parade please email [drygradparade2026@gmail.com](mailto:drygradparade2026@gmail.com)

**Grad gowns and suits** – If any students need a gown or suit you could try Ever After Attire. For more information call 778-772-7843.



**SCREEN TIME - Protecting Youth Online** - Violent online groups are targeting children and teens through social media and gaming platforms, coercing them into harmful acts and spreading extremist ideologies. Parents and caregivers should watch for warning signs like secretive app use, sudden interest in violent content, or withdrawal. Learn more and get prevention tips: [RCMP Report](#)

### School Sports Teams and Clubs



Sports teams, and other student extracurricular activities are up and running. Students are asked to listen carefully to announcements for information.

Upcoming spring sports include badminton, boys and girls rugby, girls soccer, mountain biking and track and field. School clubs include LGBTQ+, Enviro, Model UN, Student Voice, Darts, and 'Greenologists'. Many others may develop – keep your ears open 😊

**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!!!

## Lake City Secondary Contact Information

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

## *Student/Parent Resources*

[Inclusive School Calendar](#)

[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 Website](#)

[Lake City Secondary Facebook Page](#)

[Healthy School BC Information](#)

***Lake City Secondary acknowledges that our school is located on the unceded territory of the Northern Secwepemc where we are honoured to live, laugh and learn***

# KEEPING KIDS SAFE online

Keeping Kids Safe Online is designed for parent/caregivers to learn how to help children stay safe online while using apps, social media and gaming platforms.

MAY 13, 6-7:30 PM | LAKE CITY SECONDARY  
640 CARSON DRIVE, WILLIAMS LAKE, BC

- ✓ Food will be provided by Denisiqi
- ✓ The event will be held in the school gymnasium
- ✓ Parking is available in the main lot

Contact LCSS for more  
information at: 250 392 6284

## ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

**Part 1: Overview** – discusses and defines different forms of online sexual exploitation, including sextortion and intimate image sharing, as well as red flags of luring and grooming.

**Part 2: App Literacy** – a review of today's most popular apps used by children and youth.

**Part 3: Practical Conversations** - how to talk children and youth about online safety, intimate image sharing, consent and safety tips.



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EducationPlannerBC, in collaboration with school district partners and the Career Education Society of BC, invites parents and supporters to join our virtual presentation on:

**Wednesday, May 6, 2026, 6:30 – 7:45 p.m.**

Did you know there are 25 public post-secondary institutions with over 4,000 programs to study in British Columbia? Plus, students can access career training and post-secondary education while in high school. Do you have questions about dual credit, trades training, and work experience?

Join us and learn about post-secondary education and career opportunities, and resources to support your student in planning for their future. Come explore our website! Search thousands of programs, get to know trades, and discover career paths. Find financial aid options, admission requirements, and FAQs. Learn how to create an EducationPlannerBC account and apply to post-secondary in B.C.

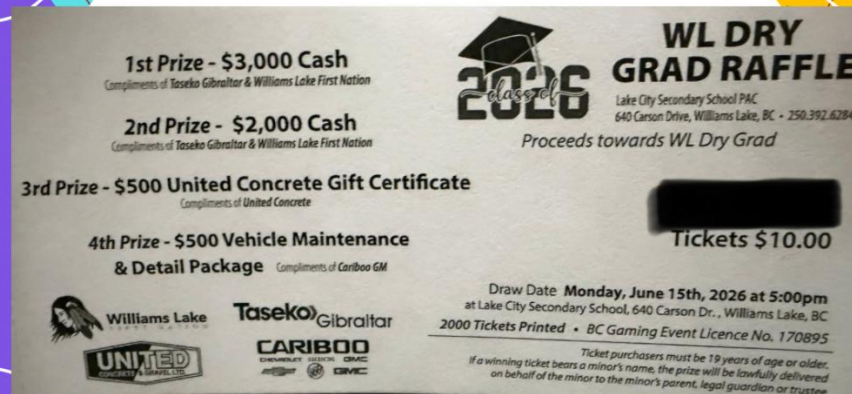
Register using the QR code or by [clicking here](#).



For more information, contact [support@educationplannerbc.ca](mailto:support@educationplannerbc.ca)

[www.EducationPlannerBC.ca](http://www.EducationPlannerBC.ca)

# DRY GRAD RAFFLE



## \$10.00 PER TICKET

TO PURCHASE CONTACT:

[Wldrygradfundraising@outlook.com](mailto:Wldrygradfundraising@outlook.com)

1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE- \$3,000 CASH

2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE- \$2,000 CASH

3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE- \$500 UNITED CONCRETE GIFT CERTIFICATE

4<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE- \$500 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE & DETAIL

DRAW DATE:

**MONDAY, JUNE 15TH, 2026**