



Williams Lake Campus

Lake City Secondary

February 2023 Newsletter

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Important Dates

Jan. 30 Semester 2 Begins

Feb. 13 – PAC Meeting

Feb. 13- Grad Photo Re-Takes
Feb. 14

Feb. 17 Pro-D Day

Feb. 20 Family Day (No School)

Feb. 21 Safer Schools
Presentations

Feb. 22 Pink Shirt Day

Mar. 10 Last day of school
before Spring Break

Mar. 13- Spring Break
Mar. 24

Mar. 27 Classes resume

Semester 2 – Started Monday January 30. Most classes are very full so not much room for movement but if changes are needed please contact a school counselor. Semester 1 report cards will be sent home with students Thursday Feb. 9

Grad Photo Retakes – Taking place Feb. 13 & 14 in the Drama Room. Students needing retakes or who missed photos the first time can sign up in the office. There is a \$30.00 sitting fee for all grad photos.



Safer Schools Together Presentation – Safer Schools will be hosting a presentation for parents on Feb. 21 in the WL Commons from 6pm – 8pm; all parents are invited to attend. Information on Social Media use, Cyber Bullying and Digital Citizenship will be the focus.



2023-24 Student Course Selection - Students and parents please take note that we will be starting the process of student course selection for the 2023-24 school year mid to late February. Course selection handbooks will be posted online to the school website for viewing shortly. Counsellors will be making classroom visits.

Semester 1 Course Failures and Withdraws – Students who failed or were withdrawn from a course need to connect with a school counsellor to determine your schedule for the future. Some courses are required to graduate, so for Grade 12 students this is especially important!

2023 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 course work. For all other graduation requirement questions please see Mrs. Caddy or Mr. Julius in the counseling office.

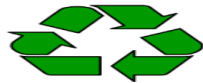
Mailing Addresses: Grads – please make sure you have an up-to-date mailing address for the office as all diplomas will be mailed to your mailing address on file.



Scholarships – Deadline to apply for Scholarships is **Feb. 8**. Any students needing scholarship information please visit <https://jeannettegobolos.wixsite.com/jeannette-gobolos> , or go visit Ms. Gobolos in Room 110 for an in-person discussion.

Dry Grad 2023 – This year's dry grad committee is meeting monthly and is still looking for lots of volunteers to help plan and hold an amazing dry grad event for the grads of 2023! Next meeting is **Monday February 20** at 7pm in the WL Commons. This years Grad Ceremony is planned for Friday June 9th with Dry Grad taking place on Saturday June 10th.

Donate your empties!!! – Dry Grad has an account set up at the bottle depot. Please drop off you empties to help raise money toward Dry Grad.



Indigenous Grad Requirement – Starting next year, all students graduating in BC must complete at least one Indigenous course in Grade 10, 11 or 12 to be eligible to graduate. For more information, please go to:

[Indigenous-Focused Graduation Requirement - Province of British Columbia \(gov.bc.ca\)](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov2/indigenous_focused_graduation_requirement)

Student Learning Survey - The Satisfaction Survey is an annual province-wide census of Grades 7, 10 and 12 students, their parents and staff in public schools. The questions were developed with input from partner groups, teachers and experts in educational measurement and special education. It usually takes about 15 minutes to complete the survey. Electronic surveying is available until April 29, 2022. The website to access the electronic survey is:

http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm

Parents can access the survey in the parent section. Different language options are available. Select - SD #27 - as the District, Select - Lake City Secondary - as the school

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>

Williams Lake Campus Access Code: **3RMX4S4KYY**

Radon Testing - In partnership with Interior Health, SD27 will begin a pilot project collecting data and analyzing Radon levels (if any) at all locations starting next week. Please see link below for more information:

[Letter to Parents and Staff - Radon Testing 18Jan2023.pdf](#)

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 welcome and encouraged to attend meetings to hear what is happening at each school.

The PAC is combined for WL and Columneetza and meetings generally take place the third Monday of each month at 6:00pm in the Library.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, February 13th @ 6:00pm – Columneetza Library



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.

School Messenger - LCSS is using School Messenger automatic callout module. The program is linked to MyEd BC and sends out emails, phone calls and messages to parents whose children did not go to class for that morning or afternoon (unexcused absence). Parents can respond in kind to the message indicating that the child is ill etc. The system also allows parents to indicate that their child will be away for the day by calling 1 (833) 582-6944, using the phone app, website login or calling the school. <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>

