



Lake City Secondary School

November 2025 Newsletter

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'Lest We Forget'

Important Dates

Nov. 3 -	Prov. Assessments
Nov. 7	Canceled
Nov. 3	Dry Grad Meeting
Nov. 10	Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day (No School)
Nov. 14	Term 1 ends
Nov. 17	PAC Meeting
Nov. 24	Pro-D Day
Nov. 26	Career Week session
Nov. 27	Term 1 Learning Updates posted
Dec. 11	LCSS Band Concert
Dec. 16	PAC Movie Night
Dec. 19	Last day before Winter Break
Dec. 22- Jan. 2	Winter Break
Jan. 5	Return from Winter Break
Jan. 19- Jan. 30	Provincial Assessments
Jan. 30	Last day of Semester 1

Term 1 is almost done!

The middle of semester 1 (Term 1 end) is Thursday November 14th, all students need to ensure that their work is up to date so their grades (Term 1 Learning Update) reflect their full learning to this point. Any parents with concerns please call the school to arrange a teacher meeting if necessary. Course failures at the Grade 10-12 level may have an impact on graduation eligibility.

November Provincial Assessments have been cancelled due to the BC General Employees' Union strike action. The next session will be held in January and will be extended an additional week to allow more time for students to complete the assessments. Early admissions to post-secondary institutions in BC **will not be** impacted by the cancellation as all students will be able to write in other sessions.

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:



Lake City Secondary
Student Code of Co

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.

School Bus Conduct

Overall student behaviour on buses has been good, but at times issues do arise. A few reminders about some of the basic rules for riders.

School bus rider rules:

Student behaviour is a significant factor in bus safety. Traveling on a school bus is a privilege which may be suspended or revoked if a student is not observing Codes of Conduct and the following procedures:

1. Students should be at the bus stop 10 minutes before scheduled pickup time.
2. Passengers must remain seated while the bus is in motion.
3. Students shall sit facing forward with their feet in front of them.
4. Do not put arms, hands or head out the window.
5. The aisle of the bus must be kept clear at all times.
6. No food or beverages may be consumed on the school bus. (other than a student's personal water bottle).
7. Do not throw garbage/objects on the floor or out the window.
8. Loud or noisy behavior is prohibited, as this is distracting to the Bus Driver.
9. Guest riders are not permitted to ride on the school bus.
10. Parent permission is required before a passenger may be dropped off at an alternate stop AP 770(5.3).
11. Possession/use of drugs, tobacco, vape pens or alcohol is prohibited on the school bus.
12. Musical Instruments may be permitted on the school bus provided the student can hold the instrument in their lap or store it under the seat. (check with your bus driver before bringing band instruments onto the school bus).

For more information please visit the link: [Bus Protocol Information](#)

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

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Snacks – healthy snacks are available to all students at no charge during breaks and in most classes.

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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.

Careers Week will be hosting an online session Wednesday Nov. 26 6:30-7:45pm. All parents and students are invited to join to learn about post-secondary education, career opportunities, and different resources available to support students planning for post-secondary life. Please see attached document for more information and to register.



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.

Calling in Absences

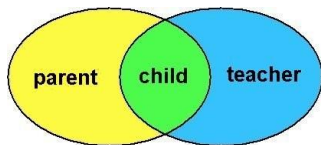
At Lake City Secondary we feel regular attendance is a crucial component of academic performance. Students are expected to be on time and attend every class. If students are ill or cannot attend for other reasons, **it is up to the parent or guardian to notify the School Messenger system** at 1 (833) 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.

Medieval Market – School fundraiser

“Come One, Come All” to the 2025 Medieval Market! 100 booths of Quality handmade wares, live music on 2 stages, hearty concession, and door prizes!

Saturday November 15th 10am-4pm & Sunday November 16th 10am-3pm . \$5 entry for the weekend, \$3 for Sunday only, kids 12 and under are free.

This market is a fundraiser and all proceeds go to LCSS students and programs!



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 at 7:15 pm in the library.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, November 17th 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**

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. Sports teams include: Rugby, Soccer, Volleyball, Wrestling, Basketball, Badminton, Mountain Biking, Cross Country and Track and Field. School clubs include LGBTQ+, Enviro, Model UN, Student Voice, Darts, and 'Greenologists'. Many others may develop – keep your ears open 😊



Grad 2026 – LCSS Graduation Ceremony is Friday June 12th and dry grad is Saturday June 13th. 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 Nov. 3 at 6:30pm in the LCSS Commons!**

See below for more information about Dry Grad.

GRAD 2026!!!

Dry Grad Fundraising opportunity – Gr. 11 and 12 student and parent volunteers are needed for gift wrapping and donation collecting at several events in November and December. Funds raised this year go toward next years grad! Dates include:

Nov. 15 (9am-4pm) – Cataline Craft Fair

Nov. 16 (9am-2pm) – Cataline Craft Fair

Dec. 2 & 9 (3:30pm-5:30pm) – Realm of Toys

Dec. 13 & 14 (11am-4:30pm) – Cariboo Memorial Complex

Dec. 16 (3:30pm-5:30pm) – Realm of Toys

Dec. 23 (11:am-5:30pm) – Realm of Toys

Looking to fill 1-2 hour time slots and each group of volunteers should 1 parent and 2 students.

Email Amanda Bailey at WLDrygradfundraising@outlook.com if you want to register to help volunteer at these events.

Scholarships – For 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.

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!!!

Administration Team Curt Levens, Principal Yvonne Davis, Vice-Principal Nara Riplinger, Vice-Principal	Clerical Team Jennifer Stirling, Office Front Desk Kelsey Chappell, Office Records & Registration Coralee LeBourdais, Office Finance Kyla Mathews, Office Records & Registration
Counselling Team David Julius, School Counselor Steve Carpenter, School Counselor Kim Nowotny, Career Center Michelle Palmer, Career Center	Student Support Team Elannie Hunlin, Indigenous Support Worker Karen Grant, Indigenous Support Worker Karen Dillabough, 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 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

The flyer has a light orange background with decorative blue and red leaves in the top corners. The title 'Williams Lake Dry Grad Committee' is centered at the top in a dark blue serif font. Below the title are three colored boxes: a light blue box for 'WHAT IS DRY GRAD', an orange box for 'UPCOMING MEETINGS', and a pink box for 'DID YOU KNOW'.

Williams Lake Dry Grad Committee

WHAT IS DRY GRAD

Since 1989, Dry Grad has been a cherished tradition in Williams Lake – a community event that is organized by parents and families, to create a safe, fun, alcohol and drug-free celebration for all Grade 12 students in the area.

This event is not school affiliated, making it inclusive of every grad – whether they attend public school, private school, are homeschooled, or live in outlying areas.

Each year, the community rallies together through donations and fundraising to transform the Cariboo Memorial Complex into a magical wonderland filled with unimaginable decorations, never ending food, around the clock games, and unforgettable memories.

Dry grad is an amazing, safe night of celebration for our graduating class. But here's the catch: **Grad parents often miss out on their kids' big day because they're working behind the scenes**

UPCOMING MEETINGS

NOVEMBER
3
6:30-8:00
WL Commons
640 Carson Drive

DECEMBER
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JANUARY
12

DID YOU KNOW

Dry Grad fundraises a year ahead so all the fundraising we are actively doing is going to the current grade 11 students. This ensures dry grad is go for following years!

Williams Lake Dry Grad Committee

JOIN A TEAM – THERE'S A ROLE FOR EVERYONE!

Dry Grad is a massive community effort, and it takes many hands, and nearly a years work to make it happen! Whether you have a few hours to spare or want to be more involved, there's a department that could use your help:

- **Communications:** keeps everyone informed and connected.
- **Fundraising:** secures the support needed to bring the night to life.
- **Security & Baggage:** ensures a safe, organized environment for all.
- **Swag & Gifts:** curates awesome keepsakes and giveaways for grads.
- **Food:** brings the energy with snacks, treats, and late-night bites.
- **Activities:** plans non-stop entertainment and fun all night long.
- **Decorations:** transforms the space into a themed wonderland.
- **Parade:** organizes one of the most anticipated events of grad day!

No matter your skills or schedule, there's a place for you on the Dry Grad 2026 team.

Be part of something unforgettable!

WE NEED GRADE 10 AND 11 PARENTS

SOME OF THE KEY PREP AND EVENTS — LIKE THE GRAD PARADE AND DAY-OF SETUP KEEP PARENTS SO BUSY THAT THEY DON'T GET TO SPEND TIME WITH THEIR OWN GRADS AND MAY ONLY SEE THEM WHEN THEY WALK THROUGH THE DOORS THAT NIGHT.

BY GETTING INVOLVED EARLY, YOU'LL HELP MAKE THE NIGHT MAGICAL FOR THIS YEAR'S GRADS, WHILE ALSO ENSURING FUTURE PARENTS (**THATS YOU**) CAN ENJOY THE MOMENT WITH THEIR OWN KIDS. IT'S A WIN-WIN!!

CONTACT INFO

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