



# Williams Lake Campus

Lake City Secondary

October 2022 Newsletter

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## HELLO FALL!

### Important Dates

Oct 10	Thanksgiving (no school)
Oct 11	Photo Retakes WL Campus - am
Oct. 11	Grad Council retreat (Gavin Lake)
Oct. 19	Take Me Outside Day (classes encouraged to get outside)
Oct. 21	Pro-D Day (no school)
Oct. 26	Parent Teacher Night 5-7pm
Oct. 31	Halloween
Oct. 31- Nov. 4	Prov. Assessments
Nov. 10	Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day
Nov. 16/17	Early Dismissal
Nov. 25	Pro-D Day

The first month of school has flown by and students should be back into the routine of school. We have lots of new students this year and our school is very full with approximately 850 students spread out from Grades 10-12. Counselors did a great job adjusting schedules and getting students into classes but there is very little room for movement so moving forward very few requests will be accommodated.

**Newsletters** - School newsletters will be published at the start of each month, emailed home and posted to the school district website. We also have a Facebook page that I would encourage you to join as it is used regularly and has very timely news. Paper copies of the newsletter will be available in the office for students as well.



**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>



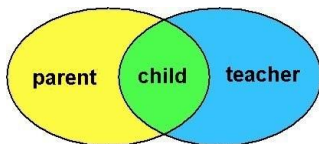
**Student Photo Re-Takes** - Photo re-takes will take place the morning of Tuesday October 11<sup>th</sup>. Any students who missed out on pictures the first time or need re-takes should have their picture taken! Even if students do not want a picture package, they should have their photo taken for their school ID card and yearbook.



If a student likes their first picture (from seeing their ID card), but did not order a package then, they can come see Steeve (Photographer), give him the order package and tell him they want the picture from the first picture day.

If a student does not like their first picture, they can get retakes. If they already paid for a package, **they must bring those photos back** on retake day and give them to the photographer in order to get the new retakes. Absolutely no free retakes for students who wore a mask in their first photos. They must pay for another photo package.

Order forms and payment must be given directly to the photographer on retake day. We **cannot** accept them at the office.



**Parent Teacher Night** – This year, Parent Teacher Night will be held on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm. This a great opportunity to come meet teachers and get an update on your child's progress. If you can't make it to Parent Teacher Night, please reach out to teachers through email anytime throughout the school year.

### **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. There are 4 scheduled assessment dates: October 31 – November 4, January 23-26, April 23-27, and June 26-29. **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.



**Dry Grad 2023** – This year's dry grad committee has had its first meeting and is looking for lots of volunteers to help plan and hold an amazing dry grad event for the grads of 2023! Next meeting is Monday October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the WL Commons. This years Grad Ceremony is planned for Friday June 9<sup>th</sup> with Dry Grad taking place on Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup>.



**Student Verification Forms** – Student verification forms were handed out to all students in early September. Please go over the information listed and make changes as needed. All forms should be signed and returned to the school as soon as possible.

**Covid 19** – While restrictions around Covid have definitely relaxed, the virus is still out there and very infectious. Students are encouraged to wash their hands regularly and stay at home if they are feeling ill. Masks are no longer mandatory but students and staff can make their own choice whether to wear them or not.



**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 one PAC for both schools and meetings generally take place the third Monday of each month at 6:00pm in the Library. A bonus – participation in PAC (set by the criteria to be approved) gives your child the opportunity to apply for a bursary in their Grade 12 year!

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> @ WL Campus Library - 6:00pm**



### **School Sports Teams and Clubs**



Sports teams, and other student extracurricular activities are up and running! Current sports in season are boys soccer, girls rugby and both girls and boys volleyball. All students are welcome and encouraged to attend! Certain clubs have also started so students need to listen to announcements for more information. New clubs may continue to develop depending on student and staff interest!