

BURNABY NORTH SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

We are so pleased to welcome you back, or for the first time, to Burnaby North Secondary.

Student Class Schedules:

Grades 9-12 students MUST log-in to MyEducation and access their class schedule prior to coming to school on Tuesday, September 3rd. Grades 9-12 students will <u>not</u> receive a printed copy of their schedule from the school. PLEASE NOTE: THE MYEDUCATION PORTAL WILL NOT BE ACCESSABLE TO YOU UNTIL <u>FRIDAY</u>, <u>AUGUST 30TH AFTER 6:00 PM</u>.

PLEASE DO NOT ATTEMPT TO LOGIN SOONER AS YOUR ACCOUNT WILL BE DISABLED.

Grade 8 Students - MyEducation - Username / Passwords:

Grade 8 students will continue to use their MyEducation username and passwords to access their class schedule in MyEducation.

Only Grade 8 students that did not have MyEducation credentials will receive an email with their username and password by Friday, August 30th.

As counsellors will be working on student schedules during the last week of August and first few days of September, the MyEducation portal will be **opened on the evening of Friday**, **August 30**th for students to access their schedule.

Tuesday, September 3rd

Burnaby North Leadership students and the Administrative Team will be at all exterior doors and throughout the school property to help students find their classrooms. Leadership students will be wearing t-shirts that say "Leadership" and wearing a Burnaby North lanyard.

Grades 9-12:

- 11:00-11:30 Grades 9-12 students go to their Period 1 classroom (see your student schedule in MyEd)
- Volleyball, Soccer and Hockey Academy students go to the Library
- Any Grade 9-12 students who do not have Period 1 class are asked to review the Opening Day power-point that will be posted on the school website by Wednesday, September 4th

Grade 8s:

- 1:00 -2:30 Grade 8 students go directly to the Gym for a Grade Assembly
- Leadership students will help students find their 1st period after the assembly where they will do activities and tours of the school

Beginning Wednesday September 4th:

- Regular classes will begin on Wednesday, September 4th.
- See attachment for the daily Bell Schedule

Flex Time:

• Flex time is for students to have more ownership of their learning by choosing how to use their time at the beginning of each day. For example, students may opt to meet with a teacher for some extra help, for some enrichment opportunities, and/or to collaborate with some classmates on a class or extracurricular project. Teachers will be available at this time, but student attendance will not be taken as students will very likely move between different teachers and classrooms each morning. Note: It is mandatory for Grade 8 students to attend flex time.

MyEducation:

All Burnaby students have a MyEducation account where students and families can access the following very important information: **student schedules**, **attendance records**, **report cards**.

MyEd can be found at: https://myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do

Please note that student schedules and report cards will not be printed by the school. Students should take a picture of their schedule for their records. The MyEd portal will open on the evening of Friday, August 30th

For Grade 8 students who have MyEducation access, please continue to use the same username and password and for new Grade 8 families, an email with information will be sent to you.

After each reporting period, please save a pdf version of report cards for your records, as it will be replaced by the most recent version with each new reporting period.

For more information on how to use MyEd go to: http://blogs.sd41.bc.ca/myedbc/parent-resources/

Course Change Process:

Grade 8 students who require a course correction (e.g. missing course or incorrect course) must go to Student Services on Tuesday September 3rd to see their counsellor. Please note: only grade 8 students can see their counsellors on September 3rd.

Grade 9-12 students must follow the Course Correction process outlined below:

The school will not accommodate course changes for the following reasons:

- Having a class in a different period
- Having a different teacher
- Being in a different class to be with different people (e.g. friends)

Counsellors will work with students about their schedule according to this priority:

- Students with incomplete schedules
- Students who failed or did not complete summer-school / online course
- Student who didn't receive their requested / alternate elective
- Deadline for course request change or correction is Friday, September 13th

Students' O365 Email Accounts:

All Burnaby North students have an Office 365 email account that can be accessed through the school website. This email address is the safest and most reliable method for North staff to communicate with our students. Students are required to check their email accounts regularly. Please note that third party email addresses (e.g. gmail, Hotmail) are sometimes filtered out by the School District's firewall.

O365:

All Burnaby School District students are required to use O365. The Burnaby School District has purchased O356 for each student. Students can download O365 by following the instructions in the attached document. Students do not have to download O365 again if they already have done so in the past.

Demographic Information:

Please ensure that your demographic information, including primary email addresses, phone numbers, and addresses are up to date.

Burnaby North will send out emails regularly with important reminders and information (e.g. report card information, school notices, etc). As well, there may be times where staff will need to reach you quickly by phone, and our automated attendance tracker will phone you if ever your child misses a class.

If you need to update or check your demographic information, please contact the school office.

Student Absences:

If your child will be absent for a day or two, please contact the main office (604-296-6875) and then have your child bring a note to each teacher when they return.

For more detailed information, see https://north.burnabyschools.ca/parents-2/how-to-report-your-childs-absence-from-school/

School Supplies:

Students should bring basic supplies for the first day (i.e. binder, paper, pen, pencil, etc). Individual teachers will then give specific information on what other items may or may not be required.

School Fees:

- Student Activity Fee: \$30 (all students)
- Yearbook: \$65 (before December 31st); \$75 (after January 1st until January 31st)
 *Yearbooks will not be available to be purchased after January 31st
- Gr 12 Dinner Dance: \$130
- Dry Grad: \$50
- Gr 12 School Leaving Ceremony: \$80

All fees can by paid through School Cash Online: https://burnaby.schoolcashonline.com/

School Lockers:

- Lockers will need to be shared with another student. A locker (with a lock) will be assigned. (Unfortunately students will not be able to share with a desired locker partner)
- All students that have signed up for a locker, as well as all grade 8 students will receive an email with locker details on Wednesday, September 4th
- For a short video on how to use a combination locker, please see: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ug3X1dn FI

Health and Safety:

The health and safety of all our students and staff will continue to be of paramount importance. The school will follow all the Provincial and District guidelines. Do feel welcome to contact the main office if you have any questions or concerns that you would like to discuss.

Staff at Burnaby North:

Please be sure to visit our school website where information will be posted regularly and you can find contact information for all staff members: https://north.burnabyschools.ca/

School Calendar:

Burnaby North's calendar can be accessed through our school website at: https://north.burnabyschools.ca/calendar/

Upcoming Dates:

Monday, September 9th PAC Meeting @ 7:00 pm in the Library

*PAC Meetings are on the 2nd Monday each month

Thursday, September 12th Photo Day
Tuesday, September 17th Grade 8 Retreat

Thursday, September 19th Meet the Teachers Night 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Thursday, September 26th Terry Fox Run Friday, September 27th Orange Shirt Day

Monday, September 30th National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (No School)

Wednesday, October 9th Clubs Day at Lunch

Important Dates for Grade 12s:

Thursday, September 12th Grad Group Photo @11:30 am
October 22nd – October 28th Grad Photos at Artona*

Wednesday, October 16th Grade 12 Parent Night
Thursday, May 15th, 2025 Grad Breakfast & Bowling

Sunday, May 25th, 2025 School Leaving Ceremony @SFU –1:30 pm

Friday, June 13th, 2025 Dinner Dance – Westin Bayshore

*Artona Grad Picture Information:

Burnaby North's grad photos are scheduled for: October 22nd – 28th, 2024. Book now for your preferred time! https://artona.com/schools/BBYN/programs/graduation

Details:

- Each appointment is 30 minutes and you will get a variety of grad and casual photos taken
- A 100% fully refundable \$60 deposit is required at the time of your photo session. The \$60 deposit will be a
 credit in your online account should you choose to place an order after viewing your previews. If you choose
 not to order at this time, simply return the previews within 30 days and have your deposit fully refunded.
- Payment options are VISA, Mastercard, Cash, or Cheque
- All regalia (gowns, sashes, hats, etc) and props are supplied by the photographer.

Depending on your preference, please wear a white collared shirt and tie, a white collared blouse, or a v-neck shirt

More info can be found at http://artona.com/blog

Contact Artona below: Phone: 604-872-7272

Website https://www.artona.com/

Finally, if you have any questions or need any support, please feel welcome to contact the school at 604 296 6875. We look forward to working with you and your child(ren) this year!

Barry Callister

Vice Principal

Sincerely,

Curtis Hodgson Principal Maria Nicolidakis Vice Principal

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