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Principal's Message

Hello and Welcome to the 2023-24 school year! We hope that you had a great summer and were able to relax and recharge.

On behalf of the entire staff of Sullivan Heights Secondary School Community, I am delighted to welcome everyone back to an exciting school year ahead. School will begin on Tuesday, September 5th with Welcoming Assemblies for all Grade 8 to 11 students, followed by Homeroom in Block A classes and then individual student photos in our large gym. Our Grade 12's will proceed directly to their Homeroom Block A class, followed by individual photos in the large gym. Please refer to arrival times posted in this newsletter and be prepared to smile for your picture!

This newsletter is full of important information to help you get organized and create a positive school experience for your child. Please take the time to read through it carefully and refer to the schedules and calendar for important dates and times. Also included is: Opening Day info, Counselling & Student Timetables, Locker Assignment, and School Fees/Cash Online.

I am looking forward to welcoming our new students and returning students, as well staff. We have several new faces to the Sullivan Community, and I want to welcome them:

Student Support: M. Hawkes, K. Ingves, R. McGee, S. Salim, A. Shankar, Z. Dean, C. Miller, and I. Philips

Teachers: F. Al-Sammarraie, S. Biggar, G. Bonar, O. Cruz, S. Jhaj, G. Sivdasan, A. Vick, R. Yaniv, K. Basran, L. K. Song

Administration: C. Weldon

We are so pleased to have you join us for the 2023-2024 school year.

We welcome our Grade 8's, the class of 2028 as our newest Stars. I am sure you are filled with excitement and anticipation for the start of your high school experience, and we are happy to have you join our community. Our school is a dynamic place, full of opportunities for all learners. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to ask. The administration team, teachers, counsellors, and support staff are all here to help you!

To our Grade 12's, the Class of 2024, this is a special time for you, and we are going to do everything we can to help make it great! Grad functions will give you many opportunities to make those memories you so deserve. As our seniors, it goes without saying how important your leadership is within our school community. We are counting on your leadership to make a positive impact, continue to work hard, stay focused and enjoy your final year. You are ALL Stars.

We will continue to share relevant and up-to-date information with our community through our school website (<https://www.surreyschools.ca/sullivanheights>) where you can find all important opening week information. We also encourage all members of our school community to also follow us on Twitter @SullivanHeights, Instagram, Facebook, as well as download our *STAR GAZER* App from your App store to learn more about life at our school, as well as to receive push notifications for important updates throughout the school year.

I encourage all students to engage with the opportunities available to you at Sullivan Heights. I also encourage parents to become actively involved in your child's experiences at Sullivan Heights, especially this year. We are here for you, reach out to us when you have questions.

On behalf of the Administration Team, Ms. Weldon, Mr. Kelly, and Mr. Thibault, we wish you all the best for an outstanding school year. Stay safe, be well and take good care.

All the best,

Mr. Baldasso
Principal

Opening Day – Tuesday, September 5

For all information and inquiries on school opening protocol please see the school website: <https://www.surreyschools.ca/sullivanheights>

All students are required to attend on opening day to confirm their registration as no-shows may be withdrawn. For opening day, students will require a pen and paper. The first day includes homeroom so that teachers can distribute timetable information, and review school information. Information will be posted on the **Hub garage doors** for students to find their homeroom. **All students in Grades 8 to 11 will report directly to the Bell Centre Theatre.** Homeroom will be approximately 30 minutes and will conclude with students getting their **school pictures taken.**

Please refer to the schedule below for arrival times for each grade.

Tuesday, September 5, 2023	Wednesday, September 6, 2023, to Friday, September 8, 2023	
Grade 8 students report to the theatre at 9:30 am	8:20 – 9:38	Block A
Grade 9 students report to the theatre at 10:30 am	9:43 – 11:05	Block B
Grade 10 students report to the theatre at 11:30 am	11:05 – 11:45	Lunch
Grade 11 students report to the theatre at 12:30 pm	11:50 – 1:08	Block C
Grade 12 students report to homeroom (Block A) at 1:30 pm	1:08 – 2:31	Block D

Student Timetables:

Students should be able to view their schedules on MyEd BC. Counsellors have been working through requested course changes, but it is important to know that many courses are already full and changes will not be possible. Please be patient as they work hard to answer your emails and phone calls. The Google Doc requesting any courses changes is open August 18-23, please click on this link: [Course Correction Request 2023-2024](#)

Criteria for course correction requests:

- Incomplete timetable (fewer than 8 courses)
- Missing a course required for graduation.
- Scheduled in a course that has already been completed.
- Need to retake a required course that **has not** been passed.

**All other requests that do not meet the criteria above are a lower priority and may not be possible due to the over capacity of our school.

This school year, we will have 5 counsellors at our school. Your student's counsellor may have changed based on the new alpha divisions. Please note the new alpha below:

Ms. Watson (watson_m@surreyschools.ca)	Last names A – Corbett
Ms. Falk (falk_k@surreyschools.ca)	Last names Cornejo – Jandhu
Ms. Brown (brown_chanelle@surreyschools.ca)	Last names Jansen – Mankar
Ms. Grewal (grewal_b@surreyschools.ca)	Last names Mann – Sangha
Ms. Chen (chen_r@surreyschools.ca)	Last names Sanghe – Z

Please be sure to include your full name, grade, and student number in your email.

Student Drop Off/Pick Up:

For student safety and to avoid congestion, please drop off and pick up students in the lower parking lot. A reminder that the fire lane in front of the school is a NO STOPPING ZONE.

DO NOT drop off or pick up students in the main driveway or main parking lot.

We will be requiring student drivers to register their vehicles with the school office, at which time they will be given a red Sullivan sticker to display on their windshield, and those students will have to park in the lower parking lot.

Please remember the school parking lot will be congested both in the morning and the afternoon. **We will have over 1860 students and driving into our lots will be even more precarious, so your patience and calmness is appreciated.**

Lockers:

At Sullivan Heights, **students reserve lockers through an online system** starting Wednesday, August 30th. Information will be posted on the school's website and will include the link to the online locker system.

In most cases, students are not required to share lockers. We have several new lockers installed in the addition and these begin with the letter E. If you wish to reserve a locker in that area of the school, please look for locker numbers beginning with that letter.

Please note students are not required to reserve lockers; reserving and using a locker is entirely optional.

Questions may be directed to the office to Mr. Thibault.

****Use of PE Lockers** – students are to use their own personal locks to lock their belongings in the PE change room and must remove the personal locks as soon as class is finished, in time for the next period of PE classes to use. Locks left on lockers longer than one period will be cut off.

Instructions for Reserving Lockers Online

1. Go to the locker administration web site for the school: <https://sullivanheights.lockerassignment.com>
 - Your user ID is your student number (refer to your go-card or your MyEd portal)
 - Your password is your birthdate entered as MMDDYYYY
 - A map of the locker zones is included in this system, **with the exception of the E-Wing**
2. Select an area (zone) of the school where you would like your locker to be.
3. Click on a zone and the available lockers will appear.
 - **Green** means a locker is empty.
4. Select a locker. Once you have selected a locker you will be able to see the locker combination. You will also be able to login at any time in the future to see your assigned locker and combination.
5. Once you have selected a locker, **you cannot change** it through the online application.

Fee Payment:

A detailed list of student school fees is listed on our website under Student Fees, as well as included in this document. Student fees will be added as they arise.

Parents may use the following options to pay fees:

1st option: Pay online through School Cash Online from the convenience at home.

[Click here for online registration instructions and to pay fees](#)

The online option should be available to all students as of Wednesday, August 30, 2023.

2nd option: Call the school to make alternate arrangements.

See Fees list on the following pages.

School Fees and Optional Enhancements to Programs***2023/2024**

These fees may be subject to change depending on circumstances

Basic Student Fee

Student Activity Fee – Grade 8	\$25
<i>(Student fee includes: On-line Scheduler \$6; Student Activities \$7; Athletics & Intramurals \$6; Grade 8 school planner \$5; Locks & Lockers \$1; Student Go-Card)</i>	
Camp Fee - Grade 8	\$20
Includes transportation to and from camp, facility rental, lunch and snacks and an SHSS t-shirt	
Student Activity Fee – Grades 9 – 12	\$20
<i>(Student fee includes: On-line Scheduler \$6; Student Activities \$7; Athletics & Intramurals \$6; Locks & Lockers \$1; Student Go-Card)</i>	

Optional Enhancements and Extracurricular Activities:

Individual teams may have additional fees depending on tournaments and competitions entered

Athletics	Basketball Sr. Boys	\$175
	Sr. Girls	\$125
	Jr. Boys	\$150
	Jr. Girls/Gr 8 Boys	\$100
	Gr 8 Girls	\$75
	Ball Hockey	\$100
	Volleyball Jr. & Sr.	\$75
	Gr 8	\$50
	Soccer	\$75
	Field Hockey	\$75
	Ice Hockey	\$150
	Kabaddi	\$50
	Boys/Girls Rugby	\$50
	Badminton	\$30
	Cross Country/Track/ Ultimate/Swimming	\$20
	Flag Football	\$50
	Jr. Varsity Football	\$350
	Sr. Varsity Football	\$400
Career Education		
Work Experience/Co-op	TB Test	\$70
Graduation Commencement Ceremony		\$50
Yearbook (Earlybird)	August - January	\$50
Yearbook	February – June	\$60

Workbooks	Accounting	\$25
	Science 8-10	\$10
	Chemistry 11/12	\$24
	French 10 - 12	\$21
	Math (incl FOM 11)	\$15 - \$30
	Foundations of Math 12	\$30-45
	Spanish 9/11/12	\$25
Deposit for texts or calculators (fully refundable upon return)	Graphing calculator	\$150
Math 8 calculator		\$30
Instrument Rental		\$50 - \$100
AP Fees (English) (subject to change)		\$100

*See full description and legislation of school fees on our website under the tab *Student Fees*.