

# Earl Marriott Secondary

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To the Earl Marriott School Community,

I wish you a warm welcome to the 2023-24 school year, and hope you and your family had a restful and relaxing summer. I am delighted to serve the EMS community as your new principal and am excited to learn about this vibrant place as the school year passes. I want you to know that good people here are hard at work preparing for the learning ahead. We know that students are excited about their courses, their teachers and getting back to see their friends. I'd like to wish a special warm welcome to the graduating class of 2028, this year's grade 8 students, and their families. Likely tied for the most excited students in the building with this year's grads, the class of 2024. For all students and families this year, there is much to look forward to.

Below is some information that should make this easier for you.

#### First Day - Tuesday September 5th

Grade 8s will get a special mailout with their schedule ahead of time, and then be welcomed at 10:00am in the main gymnasium. From there students will meet their homeroom teacher, get a refreshed copy of their timetable, and engage in a practice run-through of their schedule. It should all take about an hour. All grade <u>9-12</u> students should now be able to access their schedule for this coming year on <u>MyEdBC</u>. We will welcome grade 9-12 students to meet their *C block teacher* from 12:00pm to 1:00pm in their classrooms.

#### **Schedules and Course Changes**

When students access their schedules on MyEdBC, as they have in the past for schedules and report cards, they will see their classes grouped into Semester 1 (S1) or Semester 2 (S2). Many hours have been committed to building this year's schedule by our counsellors, support staff and administrators. As part of this process, students were given chances to make changes and adjustments in the spring and early summer. At this point, we have very limited ability to make further changes. Our primary focus will be students that:

- 1. are missing a course (have less than 8 in their schedule),
- 2. Grade 12 students missing a course required for graduation,
- 3. Grade 12 needing a course for a specific program.

With ONLY these situations in mind, students needing a course change may, beginning today, submit course change requests to the link below. Changes that are possible will be made by the counselling team through MyEdBC. Most changes will not require a face-to-face meeting. If a meeting is necessary, such as with grade 12 requests related to a specific program, a counsellor will reach out to you through Microsoft Teams. Any appointments that have been preemptively made for counsellors through Calendly have been cleared and students should complete the form below.

#### Course Change Requests Form

https://forms.office.com/r/Kih02ZJ0RQ

#### **Newsletter Content:**

- School Opening
- District and School Calendars
- Bell Schedule
- Counselling Information
- School Fees/Cash Online



#### **School Communications**

This year, students will be frequently contacted and receive communication through *Microsoft Teams*. Sometime soon, students will be invited to join their Grade Team through MS Teams. Students should accept and then have the MS Teams app open on their device with <u>notifications turned on</u>. Event information, important dates, activities, and opportunities will all be posted on their grade team. When there is a school wide announcement, it too will be sent out to students through MS Teams.

School newsletters are not mailed home, but can be accessed online at <a href="https://www.surreyschools.ca/earlmarriott">www.surreyschools.ca/earlmarriott</a>. Please confirm that we have your correct contact information including a family email address so that you can receive updates throughout the year.

As always, we look forward to meeting you and speaking about your student's progress this year. If you have any questions or concerns, please do connect with us here at the school. We are available by phone or email, from 10am through 2pm Monday to Friday until we return to regular school hours (8am to 3:30pm) on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,
Graham Magnusson (He/His/Him)
Proud Principal/Fier Directeur

# **School Opening**

# Tuesday, September 5, 2023

**Grade 9-12s:** Report to Homeroom (Block C class) @ 12:00 pm with pen and paper (Subject teachers will advise students of required supplies)

Students who do not register with their Homeroom teacher on the first day of school are often assumed not to be returning to EMS. As we have waiting lists for certain electives, your child's absence may result in their space in a course being reissued to another student.

**Grade 8's:** Welcome to Earl Marriott! Grade 8s will get a special mailout with their schedule ahead of time, and then be welcomed at 10:00am in the main gymnasium. From there students will meet their homeroom teacher, get a refreshed copy of their timetable, and engage in a practice run-through of their schedule. It should all take about an hour. Please remember to bring a pen or pencil with you that day. We're looking forward to the start of a great year. See you all then!

# **Counselling Department**

Welcome back.

We look forward to working with you in the 2023-2024 School Year!

For appointment bookings please click on the following link for your Alpha-Counsellor:

Counsellor	Student Last Names	Email Address	Counselling Appointment Link	
Mr. Holland	A to Fi	holland_s@surreyschools.ca	https://calendly.com/holland_s/	
Ms. Kim	Fl to Ko	kim_a@surreyschools.ca	https://calendly.com/kim_a/	
Ms. Sall	Kr to Sa	sall_s@surreyschools.ca	https://calendly.com/sall_s/	
Ms. Lo	Sc to Z	lo m@surreyschools.ca	https://calendly.com/lo_m/	

Please use this link <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/Kih02ZJORQ">https://forms.office.com/r/Kih02ZJORQ</a> to make a course change request and counsellors will do their best to accommodate. Changes will be updated on MYEDBC.

Looking forward to a great school year!

#### **STUDENT TIMETABLES**

All returning students will be able to access their 2023-2024 timetable on the MyEd BC portal. Once in the portal, click on the top tab>Family > left side tab> Schedule. When the schedule appears, click in the "schedule" heading and then the "term" heading to view your schedule in the correct block order.

Parents will log-on with their email and students will log-on with their student number.

Grade 8 students will have their timetables mailed to their home address.



### SCHOOL FEE COLLECTION

This year, we will be collecting our student fees using the school district's secure online fee payment system. We encourage families to log on to our system early.

Please find a current school fee schedule in this newsletter. We would appreciate your attention to this responsibility as soon as possible.



### **STUDENT DEBTS**

Students will be assessed a cost for lost or damaged school property (books, lockers, sport jerseys, etc.) Charges are based on the replacement cost of the item. Students must return the same textbook to receive credit, so avoid lending textbooks and label your text with your full name and student number.



#### **ABSENCES AND LATES**

Students are expected to be at school and in class on time. It is the student's responsibility to be punctual for all classes.

- ·ABSENT *or* LATE Parents are asked to phone the school in the morning.
- . Students showing any symptoms of illness must stay home.

# **VACATIONS DURING SCHOOL TIME**

Students away on extended vacations (4 or more days) during school time must complete an extended absence form, available in the office, before departure. The school is not in a position to grant permission to any students to miss school for an extended holiday period, and it is important to be aware of the possible effects on achievement. Further, it is not required that teachers provide work for students on vacation.

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE RE: MEDICAL ALERTS**



A Medical Alert condition is defined as a physician diagnosed, potentially life threatening condition such as:

Diabetes Epilepsy

Severe asthma Serious Heart Conditions

Blood clotting disorders Anaphylaxis (history of severe allergic response)

Parents are responsible to update the school with any medical issues. In emergency situations, a parent/guardian (or the emergency contact) shall be contacted and the student taken to a hospital. As per District policy, we are unable to provide students with any over-the-counter medication (eg. Tylenol, Advil).



#### STUDENT PARKING

As there is limited student parking at EMS, student parking is only available to grade 12 students and is on a first-come first-served basis in the designated student rows only. Students parking in Visitor or Staff Stalls (including near or around the portables) or parked illegally (including in the laneway behind the gym), may result in the student's car being towed at the owners' expense (minimum charge \$185.00). Parking at school is a privilege. Unsafe driving practices will result in this privilege being revoked. More information will be available in September.

#### **PARENT PARKING**

Please park in the marked Visitor spaces only when you visit the school and then report to the office.

# **LOCKER DISTRIBUTION**

Sign up for lockers will begin on Monday August 28th at noon following the schedule below:

Grade 12 – Monday August 28<sup>th</sup> at noon

Grade 11 – Tuesday August 29<sup>th</sup> at noon

Grade 10 – Wednesday August 30<sup>th</sup> at noon

Grade 9 – Thursday August 31<sup>st</sup> at noon

Grade 8 – Friday September 1<sup>st</sup> at noon (student number needed to log in is on schedule that was

mailed out)

Click on the following link and log in. <a href="https://ems.lockerassignment.com/">https://ems.lockerassignment.com/</a> You will need your **EMS student number** and **birthdate** to log in.



# **Earl Marriott Secondary Bell Schedule 2023-2024**



# (8:25 Warning Bell)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30 – 9:51	Α	В	С	D	A-D
			8:30-9:38		
9:51 – 9:56			9:38-9:43		
9:56 – 11:18	В	С	D	Α	A-D
			9:43-10:51		
11:18 – 12:01	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
			10:51-11:34		
11:56-12:01			11:29-11:34		
12:01 – 1:23	С	D	Α	В	A-D
			11:34-12:42		
1:23 – 1:28			12:42-12:47		
1:28 – 2:50	D	Α	В	С	A-D
			12:47-1:55		
	(Day 1)	(Day 2)	(Day 3)	(Day 4)	(Weekly
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					Days 1-4)

# **Earl Marriott Secondary 2023-2024**

Student Activity Fee (Lock \$5, Student Council Events/Presenters \$3, Athletics \$8, Student Activities/School-Wide Initiatives \$2, Student Support \$2)	\$20
<u>Optional</u> enhancements and extracurricular activities:	
Advanced Placement Exam (Optional) Automotive Co-op Art 8 Visual Arts Art Sketchbook Band Ceramics Chemistry Workbook Electronics & Robotics Foods 8 Foods 9 – 12 Foods – Professional Cooking Glass Art 9 Glass Art 11-12 Grad Commencement/Ceremony Metalwork Music Photography Physics 11 Workbook Power Fee 9/10 Tech Ed Textiles Textiles Sewing Kit Woodwork 9 Woodwork 10, 11, 12 Yearbook (Optional) Yearbook 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	\$125 \$50 \$5 \$15 \$10 \$10 \$30 \$22 \$25 \$10 \$45 \$50 \$20 \$40 \$50 \$20 \$25 \$35 \$20 \$10 \$5 \$20 \$25 \$35 \$20 \$25 \$35 \$20 \$25 \$35 \$35 \$35 \$35 \$35 \$35 \$35 \$35 \$35 \$3
Deposit for Graphing Calculator (Fully Refundable upon return)	\$125
Specialty Academies: Hockey Skills Course High Performance Hockey Academy Grade 8 - 10 High Performance Hockey Academy Grade 11/12	\$725 \$2,250 \$1,125

#### Athletic Fees

#### <u>Fall Season</u>

Volleyba		
	Grade 8	\$80
	Junior	\$80
	Senior	\$80
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Winter:	<u>Season</u>	4
Curling		\$40
Wrestlir	ng	\$40
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	Grade 8	\$100
	Junior	\$100
	Senior	\$100
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	Junior	\$40
	Senior	\$40
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	Grade 8 Boys	\$80
	Junior	\$80 \$80
	Senior	\$80
	Girls	\$80
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Families who are unable to pay fees should contact their Vice- Principal. All requests to waive fees will be kept confidential.

Calendar Printout ⊕ Advanced Search

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	Sep 1	2
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		Schools open	CDAB (1)	DABC (2)	BCDA (1)	
		10:00 AM Gr. 8 10:00-11:00 am/Gr				
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	ABCD (2)	BCDA (1)	CDAB (2)	DABC (1)	CDAB (2)	
			8:30 AM Student Photo Day			
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	ABCD (1)	BCDA (2)	CDAB (1)	DABC (2)	DABC (1)	
		6:00 PM Gr. 12 Parent Night		11:20 AM University of Alberta - Ca	11:20 AM Vancouver Film School	
					2:00 PM Terry Fox Run	
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	Non-instructional day	BCDA (2)	CDAB (1)	DABC (2)	Orange Shirt Day ABCD (1)	
					11:20 AM Gustavson School of Busi	





# 2023-24 Surrey Schools calendar

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Schools open/reopen
Non-instructional day (no classes)
Schools closed

Sept. 5, 2023	Schools open
Sept. 25, 2023	Non-instructional day
Oct. 2, 2023	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
Oct. 9, 2023	Thanksgiving Day
Oct. 20, 2023	Non-instructional day
Nov. 10, 2023	Non-instructional day
Nov. 13, 2023	Remembrance Day
Dec. 25 - Jan. 5, 2024	Winter break
Jan. 8, 2024	Schools reopen after winter break
Feb. 19, 2024	Family Day
Feb. 23, 2024	Non-instructional day
Mar. 18 - Mar. 22, 2024	Spring Break
Mar. 25 - Mar. 28, 2024	School closure days
March 29, 2024	Good Friday
April 1, 2024	Easter Monday
April 2, 2024	Schools reopen after spring break
May 3, 2024	Non-instructional day
May 20, 2024	Victoria Day
May 27, 2024	Non-instructional day
June 28, 2024	Administrative day/schools close

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How do I check my B.C. provincial assessment?

To see and download a copy of your child's results for either the Gr10 or Gr12 Assessments.

Go to <u>www.studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca</u> (don't be thrown by the info re transcripts, you are on the right page)

1. Click on Current Student.

Then either Register for a Basic Account or Login if you already have one.

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/transcripts-and-certificates

