

Earl Marriott Secondary

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To the Earl Marriott School Community,

Welcome back to the 2025-26 school year! On behalf of EMS staff, I hope you and your family had a restful and relaxing summer. We know that students are excited about their courses, their teachers and getting back to see their friends. The School Team is already back and working hard to help make this happen. Ms. Sandhu, Mr. Hill and I return as part of the Leadership team for EMS. Together, we wish a special warm welcome to the graduating class of 2030, this year's grade 8 students, and their families. We are also sending good vibes and warm hellos to this coming year's grads, the class of 2026 will also be excited for the year to begin.

Newsletter Content:

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



This newsletter contains a lot of vital information to help the first few days and weeks go smoothly. Below are a couple of things I wanted to draw attention to.

Help and Support from the Admin Team

My vice principal partners Ms. Pam Sandhu and Mr. Virgil Hill are expert managers of student needs and problem-solvers. So that they can get to know student situations more deeply, they generally mind students according to student last name Mr. Hill minds A-K and Ms. Sandhu minds L-Z. If you have specific questions or concerns regarding your student, please do reach out to them. While parents and guardians are always welcome to contact me, my familiarity with specific student situations is not as deep and I frequently defer to my partners for their expertise.

If your question or comment relates to a school-wide process or practice, please do connect with me any-time.

School Communications

This year, as last year, students will be frequently contacted and receive communication through *Microsoft Teams*. Students should already be part of a grade team and are advised to 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 this grade team. When there is a school wide announcement, it too will be sent out to students through MS Teams. Grade 8 students will be added to the Grade 8 Team in the first week of school.

School newsletters are not mailed home, but can be accessed online at www.surreyschools.ca/

<u>earlmarriott.</u> Please confirm that we have your correct contact information including a family email address so that you can receive updates throughout the year. Student Information Verification Sheets will be coming home on Friday, September 5th. If you need to update information, please add the most updated details to sheet and have your student return it to the main office as soon as possible.

Support from our Office Team

Our Office Team is here from 8am to 4pm to support school operations, see to the upkeep of our building, manage correspondence, and answer your questions. They are delighted to answer your phone calls during this time. Phone messages left outside of school hours will be returned the following day as best we can. We are all grateful for their help and support each day. They are absolutely deserving of our respect. Hostile and aggressive behavior and phone calls will not be tolerated.

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

*For all International and new students, on Thursday, August 28th there will be an information session followed by a school tour. The information session will be in the Theatre at 1:00 and a school tour will follow. All activities will conclude at 2:00 pm.

School Opening

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

Grade 8s: Arrive @10:00

Grade 9-12s: Report to Homeroom (Block C class) @ 11:00 am 11:00 am Grades 8-12 Timetable Rotation (C, D, A, B) 10 minutes each block

11:05 am—11:15 am Block C 11:20 am—11:30 am Block D 11:35 am — 11:45 am Block A 11:50—12:00 pm Block B

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 10:15am in the Theatre. From there students are led to Block C Homeroom by teachers. We're looking forward to the start of a great year. See you all then!

Counselling Department

Welcome back.

For any course change inquiries please fill out the following questionnaire at the link below:

https://forms.office.com/r/dfH0iem08Q This form will open August 19 and will close September 2 @3:00 pm.

Do not book appointments with your counsellor for timetable changes. Your counsellor will contact you via TEAMS or email if changes can be made. Students who need to see their counsellor for mental health concerns are welcomed right away! For all other inquiries, please book an appointment through Calendly.

We look forward to working with you in the 2025-2026 School Year!

Counsellor	Student Last Names	Email Address	Counselling Appointment Link	
Mr. Haynes	A to E	A to E <u>haynes_a@surreyschools.ca</u>		
Ms. Kim	F to La	kim a@surreyschools.ca	https://calendly.com/kim_a/	
Ms. Sall	Le to R	sall s@surreyschools.ca	https://calendly.com/sall_s/	
Ms. Lo	S to Z	lo_m@surreyschools.ca	https://calendly.com/lo_m/	

STUDENT TIMETABLES

All returning students will be able to access their 2025-2026 timetable on the MyEdBC 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 and new 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 https://surreyschools.schoolcashonline.com/. 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 ONLY PERMIT REQUIRED

STUDENT PARKING

Earl Marriott Secondary supports students driving to school. The school has assigned 58 parking stalls for student parking.

Student parking is available to a limited number of **grade 12 students only**. To park a vehicle in the parking lot, a student parking pass is required and costs \$10. Due to demand, determining who receives a pass will be done using a lottery. An email will be sent out the week of September 2-5 with the link to submit your student's name to the lottery. We will draw the names on September 15 and we will send a confirmation email with further information to those students. We do have a waitlist available for students who do not receive a pass. **Please note**: Parking passes are only available to Grade 12 students who hold their N license. We <u>do not</u> reserve spots for future drivers. Proof of license and insurance must be shown within a week of the draw to obtain the decal.

We review parking in the new semester at the end of January to make a few more passes available as some students relocate, attend off-campus district programs or they graduate early. There is also street parking available in some of the surrounding areas within a few blocks. We ask student drivers to adhere to posted signs and bylaws and remain respectful to our community members in the surrounding area.

PARENT PARKING

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

LOCKER DISTRIBUTION

Sign up for lockers will begin on Monday August 25th at noon following the schedule below:

Grade 12 – Monday August 25th at noon

Grade 11 – Tuesday August 26th at noon

Grade 10 – Wednesday August 27th at noon

Grade 9 – Thursday August 28th at noon

Grade 8 – Friday August 29th at noon (student number needed to log in is on schedule that was mailed out)

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





Earl Marriott Secondary Bell Schedule 2025-2026



(8:25 Warning Bell)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30 - 9:52	Α	В	С	D	A-D
			8:30-9:39		
9:52 – 9:57			9:39-9:44		
9:57 – 11:19	В	С	D	Α	A-D
			9:44-10:55		
11:19 – 12:04	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
			10:55-11:40		
11:59 - 12:04			11:35-11:40		
12:04 – 1:26	С	D	Α	В	A-D
			11:40-12:49		
1:26 - 1:31			12:49-12:54		
1:31 – 2:53	D	Α	В	С	A-D
			12:54-2:03		
	(Day 1)	(Day 2)	(Day 3)	(Day 4)	(Weekly
					Rotation:
					Days 1-4)

Earl Marriott Secondary 2025-2026

Student Activity Fee	\$20
(Lock \$5, Student Council Events/Presenters \$3, Athletics \$8,	
Student Activities/School-Wide Initiatives \$2, Student	
Support \$2)	
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Optional enhancements and extracurricular activities:	
Advanced Placement Exam (Optional)	\$125
Automotive Co-op	\$50
Art 8	\$5
Visual Arts	\$15
Art Sketchbook (Optional)	\$10
Band	\$10
Ceramics	\$30
Electronics & Robotics	\$25
Foods 8	\$10
Foods 9 – 12	\$45
Foods – Professional Cooking	\$50
Glass Art 9	\$20
Glass Art 11-12	\$40
Grad Commencement/Ceremony	\$50
Graphing Calculator (Deposit only-fully refundable upon return)	\$125
Metalwork	\$50
Music	\$10
Photography	\$20
Physics 11 Workbook	\$25
Tech Ed	\$20
Textiles	\$10
Textiles Sewing Kit	\$5
Woodwork 9	\$40
Woodwork 10, 11, 12	\$50
Yearbook (Optional)	\$65
Yearbook 2 nd Semester	\$70
Specialty Academies:	
High Performance Hockey Academy Grade 8 - 10	\$2,250
High Performance Hockey Academy Grade 11/12	\$1,125

Athletic Fees

Fall Season

Volleyball Grade 8 Junior Senior Boys Soccer Swimming X Country	\$80 \$80 \$80 \$80 \$50 \$50
<u>Winter Season</u>	
Curling Wrestling Basketball Grade 8 Junior Senior	\$50 \$50 \$100 \$100 \$100
Spring Season	4
Badminton	\$60
Girls Soccer Golf	\$80
Junior Senior Water Polo Ultimate Frisbee Track and Field Grade 8	\$50 \$50 \$50 \$50 \$50
Junior Senior	\$50 \$50 \$50
Rugby	750
Grade 8 Boys Junior Senior Girls	\$80 \$80 \$80 \$80
Ice Hockey	\$100

Families who are unable to pay fees should contact their Vice- Principal. All requests to waive fees will be kept confidential.

September

Sep 1	2	3	4	5	6
Labour Day	Schools open 10:00 AM Gr. 8 @10:00 11:00 AM Gr. 9-12 @11:00			ABCD	
8	9	10	11	12	13
		8:30 AM School Photo Day		BCDA	
15	16	17	18	19	20
	11:20 AM University of Alberta - Ca	10:55 AM Alberta University of Art		CDAB 10:00 AM Terry Fox Run	
22	23	24	25	26	27
			Mid-Autumn Festival 11:20 AM Langara – Career Centre	DABC	
29	30	Oct 1	2	3	4
Non-instructional day	National Day for Truth & Reconcilia	Canadian Islamic History Month German Heritage Month Latin American Heritage Month LGBTQ2+ History Month Women's History Month Yom Kippur 4:00 PM Grad Boat Cruise	11:20 AM University of Ottawa - Ca	ABCD	





2025-2026 District Calendar

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

Sept. 1, 2025	Labour Day
Sept. 2, 2025	Schools open
Sept. 29, 2025	Non-instructional day
Sept. 30, 2025	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
Oct. 13, 2025	Thanksgiving Day
Oct. 24, 2025	Non-instructional day
Nov. 10, 2025	Non-instructional day
Nov. 11, 2025	Remembrance Day
Dec. 22 - Jan. 2, 2026	Winter break
Jan. 5, 2026	Schools re-open after winter break
Feb. 16, 2026	Family Day
Feb. 20, 2026	Non-instructional day
Mar. 16 - Mar. 20, 2026	Spring break
Mar. 23 - Mar. 27, 2026	School closure days
Mar. 30, 2026	Schools re-open after spring break
April 3, 2026	Good Friday
April 6, 2026	Easter Monday
May 1, 2026	Non-instructional day
May 18, 2026	Victoria Day
May 25, 2026	Non-instructional day
June 26, 2026	Administrative day/schools close

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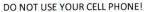
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FORGOT YOUR MYED PASSWORD?

STEP 1



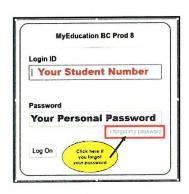




USE A COMPUTER!

STEP 2

- 1. GO TO MYED BC
- 2. LOGIN ID YOUR STUDENT NUMBER
- 3. CLICK "I FORGOT MY PASSWORD".
- 4. MYED WILL EMAIL YOU A NEW TEMPORARY PASSWORD



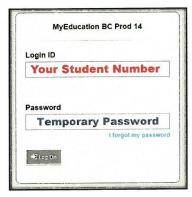
STEP 3

- 1. LOGIN TO YOUR EMAIL
- 2. YOU WILL SEE AN EMAIL FROM MYED BC
- THIS EMAIL WILL HAVE YOUR TEMPORARY PASSWORD.



STEP 4

- 1. GO TO MYED BC
- 2. YOUR LOGIN ID IS YOUR STUDENT NUMBER
- 3. TYPE IN YOUR <u>NEW</u> TEMPORARY PASSWORD <u>SLOWLY</u>!



STEP 5

- 1. MYED WILL ASK YOU TO CHOOSE A NEW PASSWORD
- 2. READ EXACTLY HOW MYED WANTS YOU TO PUT IN YOUR NEW PASSWORD!
- 3. SLOWLY TYPE IN YOUR NEW PASSWORD!
- 4. WRITE YOUR NEW PASSWORD DOWN & KEEP IN A SAFE PLACE!

Criteria to reset a new Password must be followed:

- 8 minimum, 14 maximum characters
- 1 capital letter, 1 lowercase letter
- 1 number
- 1 special symbol or character: # or \$ or ! or @
- Your password cannot contain, first name, middle name, last name, date of birth, personal id or sequential letters or numbers
- Samples of acceptable password: Jan2017\$/Snow999!/Welcome1\$

Mari-Time App



Mari-Time App - Get this app and you will be able to do the following:

Do It Your Way

- Get your important updates via app notifications, emails, or text messages.

Stay Up-To-Date

- Information from teacher websites, social media, and much more in ONE place.

Stay Organized

- Personalized calendar, block schedule, and a homework organizer with daily reminders.

Take it With You

- Important phone numbers, school info, and websites in one place on your phone & tablet.

GET THE APP!

iPhone/iPad/iPod Touch/ Android.



Open your web browser. Type "maritime.school2go.ca". Tap the "App Store" / "Google Play" button.

OR

Open the "App Store" / "Google Play" app. Search for "Mari-Time". Tap Install (Android) / Get (iPhone/iPad) — it's free!

Windows/Mac:

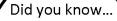
Type "mari-time.school2go.ca" into your Chrome/Firefox/Safari/Edge browser.



SCHOOL-WIDE

Reading Challenge

- √ Any grade!
- ✓ Any book! (over 100 pages)
- ✓ Read books!
- √ Win prizes!
- ✓ Get smarter!



The **navigator** is the person who steers the ship or directs the driver.

The navigator is usually the **smartest** person in the group.





Instructions:

- 1. Scan the QR code
- 2. Fill out the form for every book you read.
- 3. Check outside Room 105 every month for status updates.

Questions? Ask Ms. Ganshorn in room 105 or email ganshorn_s@surreyschools.ca

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

