

Earl Marriott Secondary

Student/Parent Handbook 2025-2026

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DISTRICT CALENDAR

2025-2026 District Calendar

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

September '25						
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June '26						
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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

BELL SCHEDULE



Earl Marriott Secondary Bell Schedule 2025-2026



(8:25 Warning Bell)

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

***Early dismissal days are the same bell schedule as Wednesdays**

ATTENDANCE

Daily Attendance:

Regular attendance and punctuality are important for your student's educational success. Teachers have lessons planned, often down to the minute and frequent lates and absences can cause gaps in learning outcomes.

Lates:

It can be disruptive to classrooms to have a constant stream of late students. Please aim to drop your student off *before* the bell rings in the morning.

We also appreciate when students aren't well, have appointments or other unavoidable reasons for missing classes.

1. Please contact the school if you know your student will be late, absent or dismissed early
2. Provide **Student Name, Grade** and **Reason for Absence** (illness, appointment, parent excused)
3. Phone Number: **604-531-8354** ext 1 or 0
4. Email: earlmarriott@surreyschools.ca
5. If your student is late or leaving early, please remind them to check in/out at the office
6. You can check your student's attendance records on your MyEd parent portal (see page 10)
7. Automated calls and/or emails are sent home if a student is **late or absent** from a class and it is not excused. If you receive a call home and there might be an error, please have your student connect with the teacher for the block they were absent from to have it corrected.
8. If you are struggling with your student's attendance, you're welcome to reach out to your student's counsellor and/or their vice principal for support.

Please note: teachers are unable to excuse absences. You must contact the office. Your student can connect with teachers about work they are missing by emailing or messaging the teacher on Teams directly.

Extended Absences/Vacations:

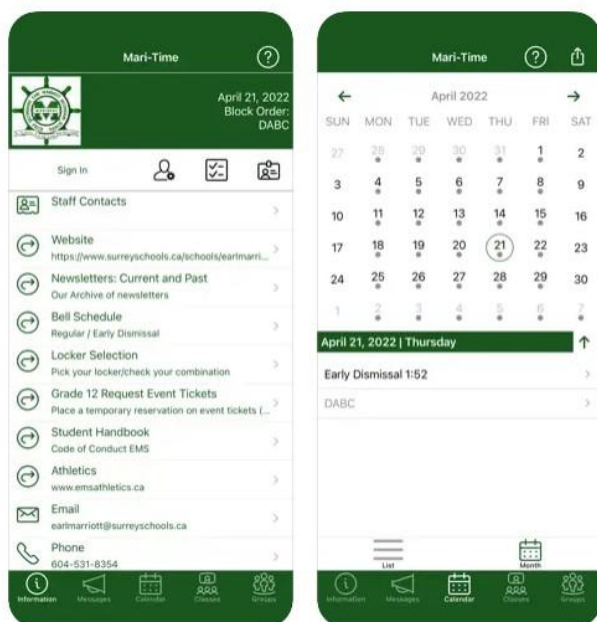
If you are planning to be away for more than 5 days, please have your student pick up an extended absence form to complete and return to the office.

There are many long weekends, pro-d days and extended breaks at Christmas and Spring Break to provide the students with ample time for holidays. Please consider using those times for vacation plans to minimize learning disruptions.

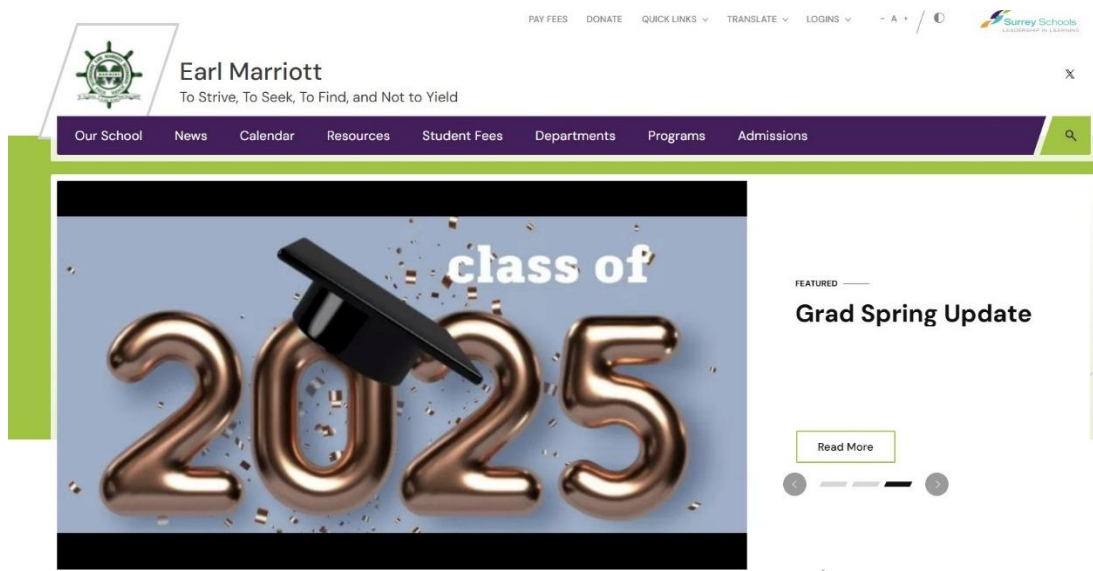
APP & WEBSITE

With such a large school, we have many sports teams, clubs, assemblies and events. The calendar is constantly changing, and we are adding things frequently, so checking it regularly is recommended.

You can access the calendar, as well as staff directory with email address and our daily announcements on our free Mari-Time App (available for Android and IOS).



You can also access our school calendar of dates, holidays, closures, department information, payment links, newsletters, announcements, staff directory and events on our website. Please check either of these avenues for calendar of events, updates, forms and general information. www.surreyschools.ca/earlmarriott



SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

All school payments are made through our online cashless system. You will see items like athletics fees, field trips, school dances, course fees, concerts, yearbook, fundraisers and more. Please note that some fees are **required** and some are **optional**.

Fundraisers, concert tickets etc. are made available to all students to purchase. If you choose not to purchase these items, they will be removed from your account when the event/fundraiser is over.

Student activity fees, athletics fees are regular fees that are needed to support our programs. If a course or athletic fee is applied to your student's account but the student ends up dropping the course or not playing that sport, please let the office know so we can remove the fee.

Logging In/Signing Up:

To sign up/log in, click here: <https://surreyschools.schoolcashonline.com/>

- If you do not have an account already, click **Register**.
- Fill in your information to create an account.
- Next page, enter your student's first and last name and birthdate and school.
- After this, you should receive the confirmation email.

If you are unable to pay online, you or your student can bring exact cash or a cheque to the office to pay for fees.

***If you are experiencing financial difficulty and are unable to pay some of the fees, please reach out to your student's counsellor or vice-principal.*

MYEDUCATIONBC

MyEd is the platform utilized by most schools in British Columbia, including the Surrey School District for student attendance, scheduling, information and learning updates (report cards).

Parents receive an email to set-up and access a parent portal where they can view their student's class schedule, attendance records and their learning updates (report cards). It is important to have access to this site throughout your student's high school career.

If your student is new to high school (ie – incoming grade 8s, or coming from out of district), please keep an eye out for an email from “sysadmin” with information about setting up your parent portal. This usually comes around the beginning of October. New Grade 8 students receive access to their MyEd portal later in the school year when it's time for course selection. They will have a class where they receive instructions to set up access to their portal.

Tips and Tricks:

1. Using a desktop computer can make navigating MyEd easier.
2. If you've forgotten your password, click “Forgot My Password”. An email will be sent to the email address that is also the email address you use to log in with a temporary password.
3. Creating a password, please include an upper-case letter, lower-case letter, a special character and a number. It must be at least 8 characters long.
4. Once you have set up your account and your password, you can access MyEd on your phone. When doing this, click the drop-down menu in the top left hand corner, and select “View Full Site”. This will allow you to navigate all aspects of your student's account.

Learning Updates:

Your student's report cards are called learning updates. These are published on MyEd. We do not print learning updates for students to take home. You can find these under the heading “Published Reports” on MyEd.

Filename	Date Uploaded	Creator
Learning Update	18 Jun 2025 2:38 PM	Harris, Janene
Learning Update	17 Jun 2025 2:38 PM	Harris, Janene
Graduation Status Update	17 Jun 2025 9:33 AM	Harris, Janene
Learning Update	18 Jun 2025 2:38 PM	Harris, Janene
Learning Update	18 Jun 2025 2:38 PM	Harris, Janene

FORGOT YOUR MYED PASSWORD?

STEP 1



DO NOT USE YOUR CELL PHONE!



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
3. 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 NEW TEMPORARY PASSWORD SLOWLY!

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\$

MICROSOFT TEAMS AND EMAIL

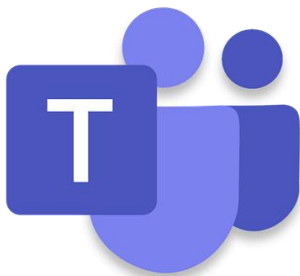
Each student attending a District 36 school receives a Surrey Schools email address. This is generated by the IT department for Surrey School District.

Teachers and staff typically will communicate with students via school email and Teams. It is incredibly important for you to check your Teams and school email frequently, so you do not miss events, deadlines and any extra information that is being sent to you.

We encourage parents to familiarize themselves with their student's teachers. You can communicate with them if you have any concerns at any point in the semester. Staff directory with email addresses can be found on our website, as well as on the Mariners App.

You can download Teams app on your phone and access your email via Microsoft Office (website or app).

Teachers have access to their students on Teams and should be able to help them figure out how to log on by resetting their password. Please see one of your teachers to help you get your password sorted. If your teacher is unable to reset your password, please see the front office for additional help.

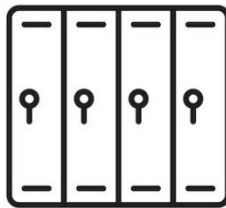


LOCKERS & YEARBOOKS

Lockers:

We have lockers available for all students that wish to select one. Emails go out in August with locker selection dates, instructions and website link.

Due to issues with rodents, **students are asked to remove all food items form their lockers at the end of each day**. It can be helpful to remind them to bring home leftover lunches and snacks.



Yearbooks:

Yearbook purchase option is applied to all students' accounts and will show up on School Cash Online starting in August and remain available Yearbooks are available to order all year until the cut-off in mid-May. Once you have purchased the yearbook, it will no longer show as outstanding on your account, and your student will be on the list to pick up the yearbook in June.

Price to order the 2025-2026 yearbook: \$65

Please note: For your student to pick up their yearbook at the end of the year, all outstanding fees on their accounts must be paid.



ATHLETICS

Earl Marriott has a strong athletics department, running more than 50 teams in various athletic endeavors.

It is important to note that ***all*** athletic teams are ***pay to play***. If your student wishes to play a sport, but the cost is prohibitive, please connect with our Athletic Director, Russ Heggie ***before*** your student participates. There are several avenues of financial aid that you can pursue to help alleviate some of the costs.

Please remember our coaches are teaching and support staff who *volunteer* their time before and after school to make these teams possible. They do their best to be fair and provide safe spaces for *all* athletes. Please be respectful and kind.

You can check out our various teams, information and required athletics forms, handbook, and schedules on our athletics website:

www.emsathletics.ca

If you have any questions, please connect with our Athletic Director, Russ Heggie:

heggie_r@surreyschools.ca



COURSE & ATHLETIC FEES

Earl Marriott Secondary 2025-2026

Student Activity Fee	\$20
<i>(Lock \$5, Student Council Events/Presenters \$3, Athletics \$8, Student Activities/School-Wide Initiatives \$2, Student Support \$2)</i>	

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

Specialty Academies:

High Performance Hockey Academy Grade 8 - 10	\$2,250
High Performance Hockey Academy Grade 11/12	\$1,125

Athletics Registration Fees

**additional individual Team fees are added and vary based upon the sport, tournament fees, and team purchases (hoodies etc.)*

Fall Season

Volleyball	\$80
Boys Soccer	\$80
Swimming	\$50
Cross Country	\$50

Winter Season

Curling	\$50
Wrestling	\$50
Basketball	\$100

Spring Season

Badminton	\$60
Girls Soccer	\$80
Golf	\$50
Ultimate Frisbee	\$30
Track and Field	\$80
Rugby	\$80
Ice Hockey	\$100

****Families who are unable to pay fees can contact their Vice- Principal or school counsellor. All requests to waive fees will be kept confidential.*

PARKING

Student Parking:

Earl Marriott Secondary supports students driving to school. Due to our location, we have limited parking available. The school has 58 stalls available for student parking. **These are available to Grade 12 students only.** To keep things as fair as possible, we are utilizing a lottery system to select the students that receive a decal this year.

1. Students wishing to park a vehicle **MUST** hold their N by September 12 (the time the lottery closes) to obtain a decal. Students must provide proof of license and insurance information before decals are provided.
2. We will notify the students whose names were selected on September 15th. Students will need to pick up their parking package and return it no later than September 19th. If the forms are not returned, the parking spot will go to the next student on the waitlist.
3. Names that are not selected, will automatically go on a waitlist. We review the parking at the beginning of semester 2 (January 2026), as spots become available due to students attending off campus programs, and early grads. Students can put their names on the waitlist at anytime during the school year by sending a Teams message or stopping by Ms. Klassen's desk to ask.

Parent Pick-Up and Drop off:

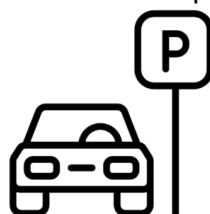
Earl Marriott provides student bussing to rural areas, as well as frequent field trips and bussing to and from team sports. **Please do not park in the bus lane.**

If you are parking and waiting for your student, please do not block other vehicles from coming and going. As with any school, pick up and drop off is very busy and we appreciate your patience and courtesy with the students and other parents, as well as encouraging your students to walk if possible.

Staff and Visitor Parking:

We have designated spaces for staff at the school. It might seem that lots of spots are 'free', however, there are staff and teachers that come and go at various times during the day. Please respect the posted signs.

Visitor parking is utilized by visiting district staff, guest speakers, social workers, presenters, coaching volunteers and parents coming for meetings, etc. Please keep these spots free.



DISTRICT CELLPHONE POLICY

Personal Digital Devices are defined as any personal electronic device that can be used to communicate or to access the internet, such as a cell phone, tablet, laptop, or smartwatch. These devices are important tools which can be used to enhance learning and prepare children for the world in which they will work and live. Personal digital devices provide support for children who rely on these tools to access learning through services such as translation, adaptations for Individual Education Plans, medical support, health needs, or to provide equity of access to resources. The classroom teacher is responsible for the learning environment in the classroom, for guiding children to use personal digital devices appropriately, and for determining when personal digital devices should be used.

The safe and responsible use of personal digital devices is expected by all Surrey School District students, employees, volunteers, parents, guardians, and community members who are on school district property or interacting with students or staff. This includes the following:

- Those using personal digital devices need to abide by the school code of conduct as well as all Provincial and Federal laws and the British Columbia Human Rights Code. This includes not using personal digital devices to engage or participate in bullying or harassment, discrimination, or defamation of character.
- At both elementary and secondary schools, personal digital devices can be used during class time to enhance learning at the direction of the classroom teacher. These devices should be used in a way that is respectful of other's learning and does not distract others in terms of light, sound, or by other means.
- At elementary schools, it is expected that personal digital devices are to be put away during non-class time such as recess and lunch. Exceptions to this are for students who need digital devices for medical or health reasons, translation, accessibility, or other student-specific reasons.
- Personal Digital Devices should not be used during lock down procedures or drills. The use of personal digital devices during this time may impact the emergency safety response.
- Surrey School District staff and students should not be recorded, visually or audibly, for any reason without their prior consent.
- The Surrey School District is not responsible for lost, missing, or damaged personal digital devices that students choose to bring to school.

GRADUATION INFORMATION

Graduation year for grads and parents is very busy and there are many events and dates to remember.

We count on students to listen to announcements, check their Graduating Class Teams account, read posters and slides around the school. We ask parents to check emails and our website calendar regularly for event information, School Cash Online fees, and due dates for events and ticket purchases.

Grade 12 Parent Night:

Please check the school calendar in the first week or so of September for this date. It's typically during the 3rd week of September.

Fall Grad Game:

This year's grad game will be a Canucks exhibition game on September 26. Limited spots available. By purchasing the item when it is put on you School Cash Online account, this will put you on the list to go.

Boat Cruise:

Our annual grad boat cruise is set for: **October 1st, 2025**

Tickets and information will be made available in September.

Grad Photos:

Grad photos are taking place from October 10th -17th. A trailer is brought to our school and is set up in the parking lot for the week.

****It is up to the grad/parent to book photo times.* Artona manages all the bookings. The school office does not have access to their information, so if you have any questions or concerns, you will need to contact Artona directly. It is recommended that you book a time as soon as possible when the appointments are made available.

Commencement and Dinner/Dance:

Commencement: **May 20th, 2026**

Dinner/Dance/Dry Grad: **June 13th, 2026**

After spring break in March, the office will send out the **Grad Spring Update: Information and Ticket Order Form Package Update**. This document will have dates and information for commencement tickets, cap and gown ordering and pick-up, Dry Grad event info, and much more.

Dry Grad Information

Please be aware Dry Grad Committee that facilitate the post-dinner/dance dry grad celebrations. They always need volunteers. This committee is formed at the Grade 12 parent night.