



# École Salish Secondary

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## August 2018 Newsletter

Welcome to the 2018-19 school year! We are very excited to begin learning in our newly formed École Salish community. Canadian author, John Ralston Saul defines Canada as “a web of relationships between cultures, languages and identities”. This phrase aptly describes our school community as we welcome students from French Immersion, Aboriginal, Cloverdale and Clayton Communities. It will be important that we understand and appreciate the history that each of these communities bring to the school so that every student, teacher and parent feels like they belong to our rich and vibrant learning community. Our motto at École Salish is ‘To work Together, Build Strengths, Fuel Passions’. We are ready and eagerly await September 4, 2018 as it marks the first day of school at École Salish.

The focus of this first newsletter is to highlight important information that you and your child will need for the first day of school and the rest of the year. Please note that we will continually update our newsletter as events occur. This means we will not publish a monthly newsletter and invite you to sign up for our newsletter on our website to receive updates as the events are posted. We invite you to sign on to Instagram and/or Twitter or the Wolves E-genda to get updates on what is happening at Salish

In August, Salish families will receive a letter from the school providing information on how to log on to MyEd to find student schedules. Grade 8s will receive paper copies of their schedules as they have not received their MyEd login information. For families new to MyED, it is the student information system that will allow parents, students and teachers to communicate more easily and effectively regarding schedules, attendance, assessment and school work. To learn more about MyEd, please click on this link <https://www.surreyschools.ca/Departments/ESIS/parentsandstudents/Pages/default.aspx>

To choose a locker please log on to <http://salish.lockerassignments.com>. Follow the instructions on the website to log in.

Counsellors are available to see students. To make an appointment please log on to <http://salish.counsellorappointments.com>.

To find information regarding student insurance please review the Parent Information Sheet “Student Accident Insurance” in the Parent section under Accident Insurance at [www.surreyschools.ca](http://www.surreyschools.ca). For information on inexpensive student accident insurance visit <http://www.kidsplus.ca/>.

This first year is also an exciting year for all our students whether they are in music, athletics, fine arts or leadership. We have strived to offer as many opportunities for all students to get involved in some aspect of school life at Salish. If you have questions on how to get involved, speak to any staff member at the school and they will provide the information to you. You can always send a message to our Instagram or email [salish@surreyschools.ca](mailto:salish@surreyschools.ca) to ask any questions.

Please take a moment to read through the newsletter as it provides important information regarding student timetables, bell schedules, traffic flow as well as other important details. Please go to our website for further information on traffic flow.

On my behalf and all the staff, we wish you all the best for the 2018-19 school year!

Sheila Hammond  
Principal

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  - c. School Fees
    - i. Check our school website in late August to see how to submit school fees.
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    - i. Students in gr 9-11 will be able to go online in the last week of August and select their own locker. Information on how to login and select will be posted on our school website in the week prior to opening online.
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a. Staggered start on September 4

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9. Calendar of Events

- Welcome Event – Friday September 7
- Photo day –September 11

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11. Staying Connected

a. Wolves E-genda

- i. Search for the name in the Google Store or App Store and download for free.
- ii. Students and parents will be able to add their classes at the end of the first week of school.

b. Website

- i. Main method of communicating with parents and students.

c. Social Media

- i. Connect with us on Instagram (@EcoleSalishSecondary) and on Twitter (@SalishSecondary)

## 1. Introductions – School Staff List

Principal:	Sheila Hammond
Vice-Principal:	JB Mahli
Acting Vice-Principal:	Brad Tait
Head Secretary:	Carol Goodwin
Jason Anderson	Teacher – Theatre/Drama
Jennifer Andersen	Teacher – Career Facilitator
Sher Bennet	Teacher – French Immersion
Allison Bergerman	Education Assistant
Chris Black	Counsellor
Francesca Bonamis	Teacher – French/Spanish
Angela Brandon	Education Assistant
Matt Brandt	Teacher – Social Studies
Kirsten Bratlien	Counsellor
Brianna Burnham	Dance
Silvano Cavezza	Caretaker
Lauren Compton	Teacher – English/Aboriginal Advocate
Tansley Courtney	Aboriginal Enhancement Staff
Aly Foulds	Secondary School Clerk
Aman Gill	Teacher – English/Social Studies
Najinder Gill	Teacher – Science/Biology
Andrew Goldschmidt	Safe School Liaison
Barbara Hales	Education Assistant
Crystal Hermann	Teacher – Music
Nicole Jarvis	Teacher – French Immersion
Jenny-Lynn Jensen	Teacher – Drama/Dance
Helen Jeong	Teacher – Math
Jennifer Johnson	Teacher – Home Economics
Cam Joyce	Teacher – Robotics/Math
Gi Kim	Day Custodian

Rhonda Kupfer	Education Assistant
Phong Kuoch	Teacher – English
Tammy Le	Teacher – Learning Commons
Vincent Lo	Teacher – Tech Ed/Metal
Brooke Ludolph	Teacher – French Immersion
Nikki Mann	Teacher – Math
Georgiana Mavritsakis	Education Assistant
Corrie McDougall	Caretaker
Heather McGowan	Reception Clerk
Shannon Milross	Youth Care Worker
Tammie Nowotny	Teacher – Art/PE
Kristen Pawar	Teacher – Inclusion
Rachel Peters	Teacher – Science/Physics
Tracey Riddoch	Teacher – Physical Education
Krista Robinson	Teacher – Tech Ed/ Wood
Eileen Ryan	Teacher – Media Arts
Esteer Saad	Teacher - Math
Lisa Scott	Education Assistant
Rachel Shin	Teacher – French Immersion
Ravinder Sodhi	Teacher – Home Economics
Brian Sollows	Caretaker
Tammie Sollows	Caretaker
Jennifer Spain	Teacher – French
Robin Speed	Teacher – Social Studies/English
Ryan Sperling	Teacher - Athletic Director/PE
Diana Teichrieb	Education Assistant
Francisco Tirona	Caretaker
Sofia Trujillo	Teacher – Art
John Turner	Teacher – Science/Chemistry

Brenda Vandal	Aboriginal Enhancement Staff
Carla Weckstrom	Student Information Management Clerk
Sonya Woloshen	Teacher- French Immersion
Michelle Young	Teacher – English/Leadership

2. **Parent Involvement**

a. **Parent Advisory Council (PAC)**

March 18, 2018 – first meeting of the École Salish PAC. Elections for PAC Executive took place. The following members are the PAC Executive for the 2018-19 school year:

Wade Traversy	President
Kelly Grayson	Vice-President
Angela McCormick	Treasurer
Kim Baker	Secretary
Claire Moore	Canadian Parents for French Rep
Shahee Lakhani	Communications Liaison

Thank you to the Executive for putting your name forward. We appreciate the time you volunteer in running our PAC.

b. **Dry Grad Committee**

Dry Grad is a sub committee of the PAC. The first Dry Grad meeting was held June 7, 2018. The purpose of the meeting was to elect a representative who would act as a liaison and provide reports to PAC from the Dry Grad Committee. Claire Moore was elected as the Secretary for the Dry Grad Committee. Thank you to Claire for volunteering your time to assume this position.

The next Dry Grad meeting will be held in September 2018. All parents of Grade 11 students are invited to the next meeting and to participate on the committee.

### 3. Athletics

We are pleased to introduce **Mr. Ryan Sperling** as the Athletic Director of École Salish. Mr. Sperling comes to us with many years of experience as an Athletic Director, Teacher and Coach. He has been working hard throughout the spring to establish a solid athletic department for our school. Please see him if you have questions regarding sports and athletics at Salish.

- a. BCSSA members – Senior teams will compete at 3A level
- b. SSSAA membership – Junior teams will participate in the Surrey League
- c. Teams at École Salish
  - i. Volleyball
  - ii. Basketball
  - iii. Soccer
  - iv. Cross country
  - v. Swimming
  - vi. Other teams will form based on student interest

### 4. Student Support Services

- a. Counselling – We are pleased to introduce **Ms. Chris Black** and **Ms. Kirsten Bratlien** as our school counsellors. Both Ms. Black and Ms. Bratlien come to us with years of experience as school counsellors. They are available to see students starting in August. Please visit our website to find instructions on how to book an appointment with Ms. Black or Ms. Bratlien

Ms. Bratlien will be the alpha counsellor for families with last names A-K

Ms. Black will be the alpha counsellor for families with last names L-Z

- i. The school will open with 2 full time counsellors
  - ii. Counsellors are there to assist students in a variety of ways
  - iii. They provide guidance and support for course planning and making course changes
  - iv. Information and instructions on how to connect with a counsellor to make course and timetable changes will be available in August.
- b. Learning Support Services (Inclusion) – We are pleased to introduce **Ms. Kristen Pawar** as our Teacher in charge of Learning Support Services.
  - i. Learning Support Services at École Salish is called Inclusion.
  - ii. The school will have 3 teachers who will be available to assist students with learning needs.
  - iii. The school has support/programs for students who are designated BASES, LST, ELL
  - iv. The Inclusion department also supports Aboriginal, Gifted and students with any learning needs.
- c. Youth Care - We are pleased to welcome **Ms. Shannon Milross** to Salish in the role of Youth Care Worker. Ms. Milross comes to us with many years of experience as a Youth Care Worker in Surrey.
  - i. The school will have 1 full time Youth Care Worker
  - ii. The YCW will support any students who are struggling to connect to school
- d. SSL (Safe School Liaison) –We are pleased to welcome **Mr. Andrew Goldschmidt** to Salish in the role of Safe School Liaison. Andrew comes to us with many years of experience as an SSL in Surrey.

- i. The school will open with 1 SSL
- ii. The role of the SSL is to provide a safe and caring community for all students at École Salish Secondary
- e. Aboriginal Enhancement Support – We are pleased to welcome Tansley Courtney and Brenda Vandal to Salish in the role of Aboriginal Enhancement Support.

## 5. Leadership and Clubs

Students in the Cloverdale and Clayton communities value Leadership. It is important that Leadership opportunities are available for students coming to École Salish. The following programs will be offered starting September 2018

- i. French Immersion Leadership – will continue from Lord Tweedsmuir
- ii. Leadership – is offered as a class for students in Grade 10 and 11

**Clubs** - all clubs will be considered based on student interest. **Examples** of clubs students have already brought forward:

- iii. Robotics
- iv. Dance
- v. Theatre

## 6. Cafeteria services

École Salish will have cafeteria services. Canuel Catering will staff the kitchen and offer breakfast, lunch and snacks throughout the day. Canuel Catering will provide menus and prices that we will publish in our newsletter. The school will also have vending machines with healthy snacks available for students.

### Vending Machines

Please see a full list of beverages, snacks and payment options that will be provided to students in attachments listed at the end of this information package.

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## 8. Opening Day/Week

When school opens on September 4<sup>th</sup>, it will be a new experience for students and teachers coming to École Salish. Being a new building, everyone will need assistance getting around the first day. For that reason, we are having each grade come into the building separately starting with the Grade 8s.

**All students will be at school for 1 hour and then dismissed to go home.**

We know that students will be excited to start the school year especially in a new school, however, we ask that students do not come to the school until the time listed below:

- **Grade 8** at 9:30 am
- **Grade 9** at 11:00
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**Wednesday, September 5 will be a regular day starting with the Welcome Bell at 8:10am**

## 9. Calendar of Events

All school events will be listed on the École Salish website. These events will also be scheduled in the Wolves E-genda. The first upcoming events include:

- Welcome Event – Friday September 7
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## 10. Traffic Flow/ Safety

The Surrey School District worked closely with ICBC and the City of Surrey to develop a safety plan for traffic flow to and from École Salish. Starting September 4, there will be changes to the traffic pattern on 184<sup>th</sup> and Fraser Highway. Improvements include:

- New pedestrian crossing
- New light pattern at Fraser Hwy
- New Traffic lights along 184<sup>th</sup>
- New cross walks on Fraser Hwy (at approximately 180<sup>th</sup> St.)
- Longer pedestrian light at Fraser Hwy

**The parking lot at École Salish will flow in one direction only.**

## **Extra School District staff will be present in September to help enforce the new traffic pattern**

- One way drop off and pick up from the school parking lot
- A new traffic light at the entrance of the school will allow cars to exit the school turning right or left
- Entry to drop off students will be off the lane beside the school parking lot.
- Cars will not be able to enter the parking lot from the traffic light in front of the school

We recommend that right from September 4<sup>th</sup>, students use the mode of transportation they intend to use throughout the year. For example, if students intend to use Translink, it is important that the need for transit service starts right in September.

Please visit the Translink website: <https://www.translink.ca/> to see the routes in your area that will take you to the school.

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### Healthy School Programs

With our healthy school program, we offer a complete vending machine service of healthier snacks, foods and beverages. We're not only fully equipped to serve the educational sector, we have the experience to back it up. Beyond offering the appropriate programs, we support them with 24/7 service and a commitment to always keep the machines clean, stocked and fully operational.

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- ✓ Focus on customer service
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