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Principal's Message

Welcome back to the each and every star who makes up the constellation at Sullivan Heights!

On behalf of the entire administration team, we hope that everyone had safe and enjoyable summer breaks. We know that many were busy with vacations, summer learning, work, and other commitments, and we are excited for everyone to begin turning their attention and care towards the start of a new and exciting school year. The administration team is back to school and working alongside other staff to getting the school ready to go for our September 2nd start date. I would like to take a moment to introduce our new vice principal, Mr. Shawn Campbell. We feel incredibly fortunate to have Mr. Campbell's vast experiences, skills, and passions join our team here and support the students previously supported by Mr. Kelly.

This year's student schedules are now viewable in MyEducationBC. <u>Please note that these schedules are subject to change</u> as administration and counselling work through final balancing, summer learning adjustments, and other changes related to new registrations. Students should check their schedules before attending on Tuesday, September 2nd to make sure they have the most recent and accurate schedule for the first day of school.

For new families and as a reminder for everyone, Sullivan Heights will be on an extended day schedule for 2025-2026.



Regular Days	Shortened Days	CSL Days	September 22 nd – Shortened October 16 th – CSL	
Period 1	Period 1	Period 1		
8:00 - 9:20	8:00 - 9:09	8:00 - 9:05	October 27th - Shortened	
Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	October 27" – Shortened November 13th – CSL November 24th – Shortened January 26th – Shortened February 23th – Shortened March 30th – Shortened	
9:25 - 10:45	9:14 - 10:23	9:10 - 10:15		
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch		
10:45 - 11:30	10:23 - 11:08	10:15 - 11:00		
Period 3	Period 3	Period 3		
11:30 – 12:50	11:08 – 12:17	11:00 - 12:05	April 2 nd – CSL	
Period 4	Period 4	Period 4	April 15th – CSL April 27th – Shortened May 26th – Shortened	
12:55 - 2:15	12:22 – 1:31	12:10 - 1:15		
Period 5	Period 5	Period 5		
2:20 - 3:40	1:36 - 2:45	1:20 - 2:25	riaj Lo Siloitonod	

Important School Dates		
September 2025 Sept. 2 – Schools Open	December 2025 Dec. 22 - Jan. 2 - Winter Break	April 2026 Apr. 2 – CSL Day
Sept. 2 – Schools Open Sept. 22 – Shortened Day Sept.	January 2026	Apr. 3 – Statutory Holiday
29 - Non-Instructional Day	Jan. 5 - Schools Reopen	Apr. 6 - Statutory Holiday
Sept. 30 - Statutory Holiday	Jan. 26 - Shortened Day	Apr. 15 - CSL Day
October 2025	Jan. 26 - Jan. 27 - Course Completion Days	Apr. 27 - Shortened Day
Oct. 13 – Statutory Holiday	Jan. 28 - Semester 2 Begins	May 2026
Oct. 16 - CSL Day	February 2026	May 1 - Non-Instructional Day
Oct. 24 - Non-Instructional Day	Feb. 16 – Statutory Holiday	May 18 – Statutory Holiday
Oct. 27 – Shortened Day	Feb. 20 – Non-Instructional Day	May 25 - Non-Instructional Day
November 2025	Feb. 23 – Shortened Day	May 26 - Shortened Day
Nov. 10 - Non-Instructional Day	March 2026	June 2026
Nov. 11 – Statutory Holiday	Mar. 16 – Mar. 20 – Spring Break	June 22 – Jun 25 – Course Completion Days
Nov. 13 – CSL Day	Mar. 23 - Mar. 27 - School Closure Days	June 26 - Marks Posted, School Closed
Nov. 24 – Shortened Day	Mar. 30 – Shortened Day	

Extended Day for Grades 8 and 9: Students will be scheduled in blocks 1-4

Extended Day for Grade 10: Students will be scheduled in either blocks 1-4 OR blocks 2-5

Extended Day for Grades 11-12:

- -Students will be scheduled in blocks 1-5 and will have a "flex block" in their schedule.
- -They will have a "flex block" each semester, which could land in any of the blocks.
- -The school cannot accommodate requests for when the flex blocks occur, and most will occur in blocks 2, 3, or 4.
- -Flex blocks will be great opportunities to complete school work and study.
- -The school will have spaces for students to work, and we will make this as productive and positive an experience as possible.

Flex Block Expectations:

Students in grades 10-12 will have a flex block, which is a block in their schedule where they do not have a class. They are expected to work quietly in the cafeteria or in designated common areas. Students may also go home during this time, if time permits, to get to their next class on time. Parents and guardians should discuss these expectations with their children. We want to ensure that we are minimizing distractions to learning in the classes that are in session. School administration will respond to and address behaviour of students that disrupts the learning of others.

As we begin this new school year together, I want to challenge each of our students to dream big, work hard, and never underestimate the potential they carry within themselves. The year ahead will bring moments of triumph and times of difficulty but please know that you are not walking it alone. Our school staff are committed to supporting you, encouraging you, and guiding you every step of the way. Together, as a school and community, we will build not only academic success but also resilience, character, and a sense of pride in who we are and what we can accomplish. Let's make this year one filled with growth, excellence, and lasting memories.



All the best for the 2025/2026 school year!

Nikolas Kirincic

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Principal, Sullivan Heights Secondary

Opening Day – Tuesday, September 2

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 at the times specified below. Students in Grade 12 will report directly to their Period 2 classes. All students will be dismissed for the day directly from their homeroom classes.

Tuesday, September 2, 2025	Wednesday, September 3, 2025, to Friday, September 5, 2025	
Grade 8 students report to the theatre at 9:30 am Grade 9 students report to the theatre at 10:30 am Grade 10 students report to the theatre at 11:30 am Grade 11 students report to the theatre at 12:30 pm Grade 12 students report to H-Rm (Block B, Day 1) at 1:30 pm	8:00 - 9:20 9:25 - 10:45 10:45 - 11:30 11:30 - 12:50 12:55 - 2:15 2:20 - 3:40	Block A Block B Lunch Block C Block D Block E

Student Timetables & School Counselling

Timetables are available to view on MyEducation BC from Monday, August 18th.

<u>Please note that schedules are subject to change as school counsellors return to school and make adjustments to balance courses, make necessary updates to student schedules and create schedules for newly registered students.</u>

Students who would like to request course changes must use the request form below. The form opens on Tuesday, August 19th at 8am, and closes on Friday, September 5th, 2024, at 12pm. Course change requests will only be considered if:

- You have an incomplete number of courses (fewer than 8 courses)
- You have duplicate courses (the same class shown twice)
- You have a course that you already passed
- You are missing a course required for graduation
- You are a grade 11 or 12 student requesting a Study block and have enough credits for graduation

Course change requests <u>must</u> be submitted using this online form: <u>September 2025 Course Change Request</u>

The school will do all it can to accommodate course request changes that meet the criteria above; however, please note that many classes do not have space to accommodate changes. Please do not submit multiple form requests.

Students are to ONLY use the form (not email, TEAMS, phone calls or in person visits) to request course changes.

Any changes (IF POSSIBLE) will be updated live on MyEd; you will NOT be contacted as to whether a change was possible or not. It is YOUR RESPONSIBLITY to regularly check MyEd for updates and start attending any new classes right away. Counsellors are unable to assist with MyEd logins; please direct questions regarding this to the front office.

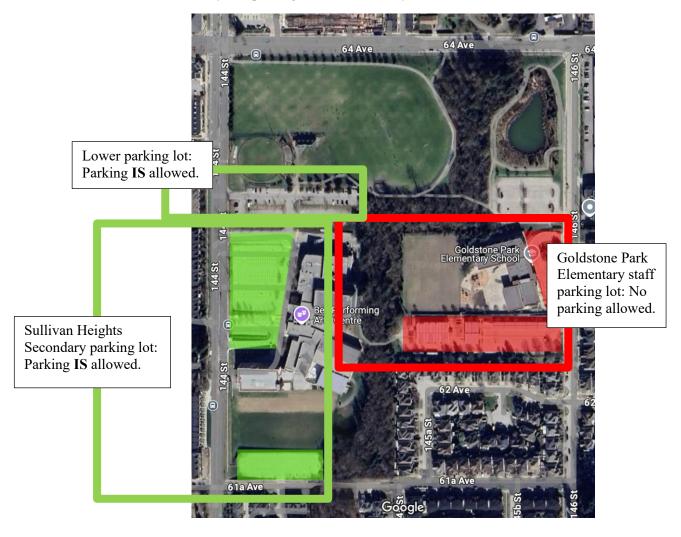
Your student's counsellor may have changed based on the new alpha divisions. Please note the new alpha below:

Ms. Watson (watson_m@surreyschools.ca)	Last names A – Chat
Ms. Falk (<u>falk_k@surreyschools.ca</u>)	Last names Chau –Gup
Ms. Brown (<u>brown_chanelle@surreyschools.ca</u>)	Last names Gur – Leo
New Counsellor TBA1	Last names Lep - Nage
Ms. Gill (gill_gurjeevan@surreyschools.ca)	Last names Nagi – Sham
New Counsellor TBA2	Last names Shan – Z

Student Drop Off/Pick Up:

Approved areas for dropping off and picking up are:

- the north parking lot accessible off of 144 St., immediately after the school parking lot
- the south parking lot accessible off of 61A Ave.
- the main school driveway and parking lot accessible by the main entrance at 144 St.



- Sullivan Heights students should not be dropped off or picked up at the Goldstone Elementary staff parking lot.
- Drivers with 'N' designations should only have one passenger with them (unless the passengers are immediate family)

Thank you for your cooperation and support in keeping the Sullivan Heights community safe during these busy, high-traffic times.

Student drivers must register their vehicles with the school office and those students must park in the lower parking lot.

Lockers:

At Sullivan Heights, <u>students reserve lockers through an online system</u> starting Friday, August 29th. Instructions for reserving lockers online are noted below, and will also will be posted on the school's website.

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 or Mr. Thibault.

**Use of gym lockers – students are to use their own personal locks to lock their belongings in the gym change room and must remove the personal locks as soon as class is finished, in time for the next period of PHE 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 of home.

Click here for online registration instructions and to pay fees

The online option should be available to all students as of Friday, August 29, 2025.

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

These fees may be subject to change depending on circumstances

Basic Student Fee

Student Activity Fee - Grade 8

\$25

(Student fee includes: Grade 8 Planner \$5; Student Council Leadership & Events \$7; Athletics & Intramurals \$8; Locks and Locker maintenance \$5; Student Go-Card).

Camp Fee - Grade 8

\$25

Includes transportation to and from camp, facility rental, lunch and snacks and an SHSS t-shirt

Student Activity Fee – Grades 9 – 12

\$25

(Student fee includes: Scheduling app & School Messenger \$5; Student Council Leadership & Events \$7; Athletics & Intramurals \$8; Locks and Locker maintenance \$5; Student Go-Card).

Optional Enhancements and Extracurricular Activities:

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

Athletics	Basketball Sr. Boys Sr. Girls Jr. Boys Jr. Girls/Gr 8 Boys Gr 8 Girls	\$200 \$150 \$175 \$150 \$100
	Ball Hockey	\$125
	Volleyball Jr. & Sr.	\$75
	Gr 8	\$75
	Soccer	\$75
	Field Hockey	\$75
	Ice Hockey	\$150
	Kabaddi	\$50
	Boys/Girls Rugby	\$50
	Badminton	\$50
	Cross Country/Track/	
	Ultimate/Swimming	\$50
	Flag Football	\$50
	Jr. Varsity Football	\$400
	Sr. Varsity Football	\$500
Career Education		
Work Experience/Co-op	TB Test	\$70
Business Co-Op Additional fees will apply		\$25
Graduation Commencement Ceremony		\$50
Yearbook (Earlybird) Yearbook	August - January February — June	\$60 \$70

Workbooks	Accounting	\$25
	Science 8-10	\$15
	Chemistry 11/12	\$25 - \$30
	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
Instrument Rental		\$50 - \$100
AP Fees (English) (subject to change)		\$100

^{*}See full description of fees and enhancements on the attached appendix.

Appendix: Legislation and School Fees

Instruction is provided free of charge to all students registered in a school's education program sufficient to meet the general requirements of graduation, and it shall provide free of charge any resource material necessary to participate in that program. The School Act permits the charging of fees for certain items. In Surrey secondary schools, the following structure applies through Board Policy 9802 related to fees and any costs for students or families. Any school fees will be communicated to parents and students of each school's community on an annual basis.

Basic School Supplies

Students will need to provide their own basic supplies and equipment for their own personal use at school. This includes supplies such as paper, writing tools, calculators, notebooks, gym strip, sewing kits, and some other items needed for various electives.

Inability to pay fees

The district's hardship policy is an important part of our fees. No student will be denied the ability to participate in any part of the school's educational programs as a result of an inability to pay. Every school must develop a process whereby fees may be waived because of financial hardship. The process must incorporate the principles of fairness, confidentiality, and sensitivity, while maintaining family respect and dignity. All letters to parents requesting payment of a fee will include a statement that explains the school district's fee waiver policy and the protection of privacy.

Student Activity Fee

This fee is charged to all students and is in the range of \$20-25 per student. Each school will communicate to parents and students the breakdown of where the funds from activity fees are directed. Typical activities supported by these fees are:

- Student Go Cards
- Student Council Events
- On-line Scheduler / planner
- Athletics
- Locks and locker maintenance
- Junior Program (Grades 8 & 9)

Athletics

Participation in athletics and organized sports is an important part of a school's culture. Each secondary school is unique in the sports offered and the levels at which they participate. Students can expect a cost for participation which is dependent on the level of the sport, the number of games or tournaments played, the travel involved as well as other factors including fees for referees which are paid by the school. A significant portion of the costs associated with athletics go to the provincial bodies that organize these events. Every attempt is made to keep costs to a minimum and it is normal practice to have parents pay in a lump sum at the beginning of any one sport season, so parents understand the true costs involved for full participation. No school shall generate an ongoing surplus as the result of collection of fees for athletic programs and organized extracurricular sports.

Certification

Some programs include a component that offers an external certificate recognizing unique qualifications. Examples are St. John's First Aid, Food Safe, Superhost, and Worldhost. These certificates help prepare students for employment and schools charge a fee to recover the cost of certification. The cost to the student will match the cost to the school for the certificate.

Examinations

Some programs offer external examinations where students can obtain credit for post-secondary institutions as a result of successfully completing the exam. International Baccalaureate and Advanced Placement are examples. Where students take these exams, a fee is charged to recover the cost of the examination and the fee shall be less than or equal to the actual cost of the exam.

Field trips

Students may be charged fees for expenses such as transportation, accommodation, meals, entrance fees and equipment rentals for optional field trips, or other extracurricular outings or events. Students will not be charged fees for any field studies/field trips where attendance is mandatory as part of a course or program.

Graduation Ceremonies

The graduation ceremony is an important tradition that represents the end of a student's school experience. Costs do apply as these extracurricular events are hosted in a variety of venues across the district and different traditions and formats require different levels of student costs. No student will be denied the ability to participate in a graduation ceremony due to an inability to pay the cost. Every effort is made to keep costs to a minimum and no school will compile an ongoing surplus as a result of monies collected to host a graduation ceremony.

Materials consumed in a course

In courses that consume materials (e.g. art, cooking, woodworking, metalwork, science) schools can only charge for materials or goods that are surplus to what would be necessary for the student to meet the expected outcomes in a course. If a student is going beyond the basic requirements of a course and creating projects for personal use (e.g. creating a table of mahogany rather than plywood), then the student may bring their own materials from home or the cost for the materials for these enhanced projects may be recovered through a fee.

Musical Instruments

A board may charge a fee for the rental of a musical instrument for the student's personal use, or the student may provide their own instrument when he/she is part of a fine arts class or a course with a musical component.

Students in Apprenticeship Programs

Where students participate in a trades program that results in certification or is part of an Industry Training Authority apprenticeship, fees may be charged for the rental of tools, equipment and materials necessary for participation in the program or the Board may require the student to purchase his or her own tools, equipment and materials required for the program.

Textbook or Calculator Deposits

In accordance with the School Act, the Board may require deposits for educational resource materials, such as textbooks, novels and other resource materials. The Board will refund all of the deposit to the student upon return of the educational resource materials in good condition. Students will be advised of terms of the deposit at the time the deposit is required. Waiver procedures must be in place for all deposits.

Uniforms

Students sometimes need special clothing (uniforms for band or for cafeteria) to participate in an educational program. These clothes are not a requirement to participate in a program but are logical savings for parents where clothes could be soiled or damaged in shops or the cafeteria. If the clothes (e.g. band or choir uniforms) are owned by the school, a fully refundable deposit may be required to ensure the return in good condition.

Workbooks

Workbooks are optional enhancements to educational programs. These workbooks are designed for a student's personal use as they will write in the books during the course of instruction. Where a workbook is regularly used as part of a course and a student does not wish to purchase their own workbook, one will be provided, and students will not be permitted to write in the workbook.

Where there is an optional fee for a workbook, that fee will match as close as reasonably possible to the exact cost of the workbook to the school. No school will accumulate an ongoing surplus as a result of workbook fees.

Yearbooks

Yearbooks are common in schools and are optional. The cost for a yearbook for a school shall be directly related to the development and publishing costs of the yearbook and no school shall generate an ongoing surplus as the result of the fees charged to students who wish to buy a yearbook.