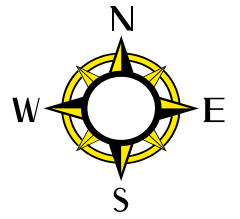




## FRIDAY COMPASS



June 12 – June 16, 2017  
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### Quotation Of The Week:



I FACILITATE THINKING

*I engage minds*

I LISTEN TO QUESTIONS

I encourage risk

I support struggle

*I cultivate dreams*

I LEARN EVERY DAY

I TEACH



### The Week Ahead:

Monday, June 19, 2017	
Tuesday, June 20, 2017	Admin visits to Grade 12 Period 4 classes
Wednesday, June 21, 2017	National Aboriginal Day Yearbook Distribution
Thursday, June 22, 2017	Dry Grad Clothing Drop-off: 3:30pm-5:30pm – Box Gym
Friday, June 23, 2017	Provincial Exam EN12, 8:30 – 11:30 am Dry Grad Clothing Drop-off: 3:30pm-5:30pm – Box Gym

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## Upcoming Events:

Saturday, June 24 – Family Celebration: 3:00pm, Grad Dinner-Dance: 6:00pm, Dry Grad Celebration: 11:30pm

Sunday, June 25th - Grad Breakfast: 5:30am

Monday, June 26 –Provincial Exam COM 12 8:30 am

Tuesday, June 27 – Locker Cleanout; Provincial Exam FRAL 12 8:30am

Wednesday June 28 - Last Day of Classes; Term 4 Ends; Academic Awards Night

Thursday, June 29 - "Semester Completion Day", regular classes will not be in session. Teachers will be available to assist students with year-end assessment activities.

Friday, June 30 – Admin Day, Schools Close

## Kudos to:

# EMS student medals in national skills competition

Friday, June 9, 2017



Earl Marriott secondary Grade 12 student Wesley Chang earned a bronze medal in Website Design and Development at the 2017 Skills Canada national competition in Winnipeg earlier this month. Wesley was one of just 25 students to medal in the annual competition.

Four more students from the district also qualified to compete in the nationals after earning gold medals at the provincial level:

North Surrey Secondary – Geoffrey Edorzo, Car Painting

Fraser Heights Secondary – Jaeden Wildenboer, Welding

Fraser Heights Secondary – Alayna Yan and Jessie Shi, 2D Animation

## This Week at EMS - Principal's Message: June 12<sup>th</sup> – June 16<sup>th</sup>:


We are now in the “final push” of the 2016-17 school year. Teachers are planning their final lessons of the semester in order to complete the curriculum, and students are working very hard to finish their last assignments and prepare for their upcoming final exams. This is a very busy and important time for the entire school. I would like to encourage all students to “hang in there” and finish strong! Your efforts at this time of year have an absolute and direct impact on your achievements and success. We know that our EMS students will continue to achieve outstanding forms of success across all curricular areas. We know that the success stories of 2016-17 will continue to make us very proud!


Students and parents/guardians are reminded that the final day of regular classes will be on June 28<sup>th</sup>. June 29<sup>th</sup> will be “Semester Completion Day” – classes will not be in session on this day, however, teachers will be available for support. Please speak to your teachers directly for more details regarding completion of missing assignments and/or tutorial support. On June 30<sup>th</sup> the school will be closed to students for Administration Day.

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This week all of our grade 8 and 9 students completed the first ever Self-Assessment of Core Competencies. My thanks goes to all Period 4 (Homeroom) Grade 8-9 teachers for your assistance in reviewing Core Competencies with the lesson planning material provided earlier, and then distributing and collecting the assessment this week. We are now in the process of scanning all of the assessments into each student's MyEdBC locker (account) in order to distribute to parents/guardians through the new MyEdBC Family Portal.

All parents/guardians are highly encouraged to view your child's self-assessment and discuss their reflections about their Communication, Thinking and Personal and Social Responsibility skills. Parents/Guardians will be notified, with instructions on accessing the MyEdBC portal, when we have finished uploading the assessments.

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## Core Competencies: Self-Assessment

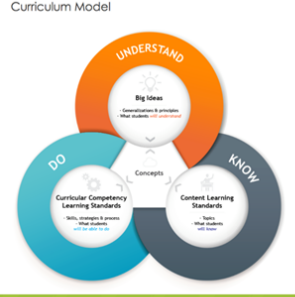
Core Competencies are foundational to our new British Columbia curriculum. This ensures that students are always mindful of their growth in their communication, thinking and personal and social responsibility.

The emphasis on self-reflection promotes personalization and student ownership of their learning and it becomes a natural part of the learning process.

Teachers support students in self-assessment by intentionally noticing, naming, and connecting the Core Competencies to their learning.

Starting this year, students in Grades K-12 across British Columbia will be asked to reflect upon their growth of these competencies as part of the reporting process. At Earl Marriott Secondary, students in Grade 8 and 9 will be asked to self-assess their development in one or more of the core competencies.

Below you will find an overview of each competency and some open-ended and probing questions to help students clarify their thinking and articulate their individual profiles. In June, grade 8 and 9 students will be given an opportunity to respond to some of these questions.

 Curriculum Model

UNDERSTAND  
Big Ideas  
Connections & patterns  
What students will understand

DO  
Curricular Competency Learning Standards  
Skills, strategies & process  
What students will do

KNOW  
Content Learning Standards  
Tools  
What students will know

Concepts

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LEARN MORE



Here are some of our PE and Drama students in grade 8 and 9 reflecting on their Communication, Thinking and Personal and Social Core Competency skills this week.

Please see the Ministry of Education's website for more details on the new Core Competency curriculum:  
<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/competencies>

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Parents/Guardians are reminded that we have now implemented the new MyEdBC Family Portal. All parents/guardians should have received an email message this week with your User ID and temporary password to access the portal. Please check the email address you provided the school, and then contact the office if you have not received this information.

In the Portal, students, parents and guardians with an account can view:

- class attendance information
- contact information
- some classroom assessment information
- student schedules
- student course requests for next year
- school information
- published report cards
- a school web page that contains resources and information for parents and students

Please see our website for a [link to detailed User Instructions](#):

The screenshot shows the Earl Marriott website header with the school logo and motto "To Strive, To Seek, To Find, and Not to Yield". Navigation tabs include ME, MY OFFICE, MY GROUPS, MY SCHOOL, and DISTRICT. A purple navigation bar contains links for School Home, About the School, Departments, Extra-curricular, Parents, Students, Teachers & Staff, and News & Other. Below the navigation bar, a message states "There are no current alerts" with a link to "Manage alerts" and a button to "Add new alert". The main content area features a green banner for the "Parent Portal for Parents/Guardians". The banner text reads: "Dear Students/Parents/Guardians: Our school is opening the MyEducationBC (MyEdBC) Family Portal for Parents and Guardians on Monday, June 12th. In the Portal, students, parents and guardians with an account can view:" followed by the same list of features as in the previous block. Below the banner, there are links for "Find registration and user instructions here: Portal Instructions", "Find our letter to Parents here: Letter to Parents", and "The portal can be accessed here: https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do". At the bottom, it mentions "A mobile site is available at: https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do?mobile=1".

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**Important note: This year, in addition to the Grade 8 and 9 Self-Assessment of Core Competencies document, we will be publishing the Report Cards to the Family Portal instead of providing hard copies to students. All parents/guardians will receive an email that will provide instructions and a link to your account when the Report Cards are published in the first week of July.**

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During the week, I caught some of the “Ultimate” action in Mr. Roberts’ PE class! The students were enjoying the game, learning some new Frisbee skills and getting in a great workout.



I also had the chance to visit our Trades Exploration Co-Op class and check out their current project. The class is building a large garden shed that will be relocated to a White Rock backyard. It is coming along nicely with students learning numerous construction skills. This year’s Trades Exploration Co-Op has been an exciting Pilot project for the school. Our students were very fortunate to have this opportunity and learned skills in carpentry, plumbing, electrical and welding. I am confident that this experience will provide an introductory foundation for many future skilled trades’ careers. I would like to thank teacher Mr. Weir and Career Education Department teachers Ms. Brabanec and Ms. Jenkins for your support and guidance of our students.



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The sun is beginning to poke through the clouds, and I hear the forecast for the weekend is promising. Enjoy. Happy Father's Day!



Ken

**Mission Statement:**

*“To value the most precious treasures of Earl Marriott Secondary School: the minds, hearts, and well-being of its people.”*

*“ Mettre de l'avant les valeurs qui font la fierté de EMS: l'esprit, le coeur et le bien-être de sa communauté”*

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