



GUILDFORD PARK SECONDARY

"Everyone Matters"

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Guildford Park Secondary's Administrative Staff

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School Opening Newsletter

School Opens Tuesday, September 2nd - see Page 3 for Start Times

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to create a caring, accepting, learning community where students fulfill their potential individually and collectively, participate in quality learning experiences, recognize and celebrate their diversity and accomplishments, and prepare for a lifetime of challenges and opportunities.

Communication Resources

School information and school opening newsletter are posted on our **website** at www.gpsabres.ca and messages are sent out through our **School APP**, and **MyEdBC** parent/student portals. Parent communication is very important for the school and for you. Our main methods of communication are the following:

- Via our school website at: www.gpsabres.ca
- Phone calls and emails—**please update your information** by contacting the school office at 604-588-7601 from 8 am to 3:30 pm or email our school's email address at: guildfordpark@surreyschools.ca
- Our school **APP**: **GPSabres.ca**

Those without a SMART device can also register to receive text messages. Please see **page 12** for more information.

An easy to use **APP**
for students & parents!



Push notifications, email, or text message: your choice!

<http://gpsabres.appazur.com>

No smartphone/tablet?
No problem!
Also works with PC/Mac.

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome Back, Guildford Park Families!

I'm excited for the new school year and look forward to seeing everyone on **Tuesday, September 2nd**.

As a principal and as a parent, I understand the challenges that young people and families face today. Please know I want to work with families and I am available to meet with you whenever you need it. I lead with empathy and compassion, and I believe deeply in the power of meaningful connections between students, staff, and families. At Guildford Park, *Everyone Matters*. You can reach me anytime at player_m@surreyschools.ca

Staffing Update

We're sad to say goodbye to vice principals **Ms. S. Bensley** and **Mr. M. Moloney** and we thank them for their contributions at GP. They will be missed by our school community. Please join me in welcoming our new VPs, **Ms. Dana Miller** and **Mr. Jivan Sahota**. They are eager to meet you and to work alongside families.

Getting Ready for the Year

To ensure a smooth and successful return to school, we ask students to:

- Read this newsletter and all accompanying information carefully
- Use the **GP Sabres App** to stay organized
- Attend and actively participate in all classes
- Be kind, ask questions, and seek help when needed

A Special Welcome

Welcome to our new **Grade 8 Sabres**! Please get involved in school life—clubs, sports, and activities are great ways to build connections and enrich your school experience.

To the **Class of 2026**, your final year is here! Your leadership sets the tone for our school community, so please share it and help GP shine. We look forward to celebrating your achievements and supporting you through your graduating year.

Important Reminders

Stay informed through our website: <https://www.surreyschools.ca/guildfordpark> and the **GP Sabres App**.

- Notify the school of any changes to your contact information
- Course changes will be very limited due to scheduling constraints. See page 4.
- Locker info and online registration details are in this newsletter. See page 6.
- New students: Please join us for a **Welcome Event on Tuesday, August 26th at 1pm** in the gym. See page 8.

Cell Phones

Our School District has a **Personal Devices Policy**. As such, **cell phones must be silenced and put away during class time**, unless otherwise directed by a teacher. This is to support learning and help students build healthy relationships. For urgent matters, we ask families to please contact the school office at #604-588-7601 and we will get your child from class.

Attendance

Academic success is closely tied to being *present and on time* to class. Students need to be in class to practice the required course skills and to understand the content. If sick, students should stay at home. We ask that parents/guardians let the school know if your child will be away for the full day or for part of the day.

Thank you for your continued support. Let's make this a great year together!

Warm regards,

Marti Player

Principal, Guildford Park Secondary





GUILDFORD PARK SECONDARY
September 2nd Start and End Times
Grade 8s: 9:00 am to 11:00 am
Grades 9, 10, 11, 12s: 11:30 am to 12:15 pm

Welcome Back Week: Student Orientation Schedule
1st Week of School Schedule September 2 to September 5, 2025

SEPT 2	SEPT 3	SEPT 4	SEPT 5
TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Grade 8 9 am: Meet outside the front of the school. You will see your names and homeroom numbers posted.</p> <p>9:30 am: Go to the large Gym area for an assembly and to meet your homeroom teacher.</p> <p>10 am: Grade 8 students go to their homerooms escorted by their teachers.</p> <p>11:00 am: Dismissal Time</p> <p>Grades 9, 10, 11, 12</p> <p>11:30 am: Grades 9-12 students report to your homeroom Block A class. Before this day please check on MyEdBC for your student timetable.</p> <p>12:15 pm: Dismissal Time</p>	Block A 8:20 – 9:40 (80 mins)	Block A 8:20 – 9:40 (80 mins)	Block A 8:20 – 9:40 (80 mins)
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	LUNCH 11:05–11:45	LUNCH 11:05–11:45	LUNCH 11:05–11:45
	Block C 11:50 – 1:10 (80 mins)	Block C 11:50 – 1:10 (80 mins)	Block C 11:50 – 1:10 (80 mins)
	Block D 1:15 – 2:33 (78 mins)	Block D 1:15 – 2:33 (78 mins)	Block D 1:15 – 2:33 (78 mins)

COUNSELLING STAFF



Ms. J. Hacker

Last names starting with A - C

Ms. C. Carlsen

Last names starting with D - K

Ms. T. Bartlett

Last names starting with L - Re

Ms. C. Adams

Last names starting with Rf - Z

COURSE INQUIRIES

Your course schedule reflects your original requests. Our master timetable is based on student requests from the Spring. Due to timetable constraints, most course changes from your original requests will **not** be possible. Counsellors are presently working very hard to balance and ensure all students have complete schedules. We are hoping that students can check their schedules online (in MyEdBC) by **August 22nd**. Counsellors may be able to adjust courses until September 4th, but it is better to contact us earlier.

If you have forgotten your MyEdBC password, please contact the school to have it reset for you. Email the school at: guildfordpark@surreyschools.ca. Be sure to tell the school your name and student number when you make this request.

Please send any schedule inquiries to your counsellor through TEAMS between Aug 25th and Sept 4th. **Counsellors will not be meeting in-person for any course inquiries.** Please do not contact us by phone to make course inquiries. Reminder: course changes will be extremely limited this year. Your patience is appreciated.

NEW REGISTRATIONS

Wednesday, August 27th (8:30 am to 3:00 pm)

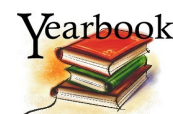
An appointment is required. Please contact the school office at 604-588-7601 starting **Monday, August 25th** to schedule an appointment.

If you are a new registrant to Guildford Park Secondary and you did not receive a counselling appointment upon confirmed registration, please call the school office at 604-588-7601.

YEARBOOKS

Yearbook (optional) . The yearbook is a cherished souvenir full of high school memories. This year, we have a new yearbook teacher and the decision to create a printed or digital yearbook has not yet been made. Digital yearbooks would be free and printed yearbooks would be \$15 . If the decision is to create a printed yearbook, payment will be available through **School Cash Online**. We will let students and families know in the fall.

Please stay tuned.



PARKING

When you return to school in September, you will see the construction of the new addition is in progress. Please follow the signage and only park where permitted. During the fall, the back parking lot will **no** longer be available. Please park in the front parking lot on 146th or on the street until advised otherwise.



CLUBS

Here are some of the clubs that have been offered to students at Guildford Park Secondary:

Anime Club	Dungeons & Dragons Club	SCOM
Announcement Club	Slam Poetry Club	REACH
Art Club	Weightlifting Club	Sabre Council
Auto Club	Gaming Club	MSA
Board Games Club	Garden Club	Drama/Theatre Club
Book Club	GSA	The Library Club
BSU	Debate Club	The Newspaper Club
Chess Club	Green Team	

*We have Clubs Day at lunch on **Tuesday, September 23rd** where you can learn about the different clubs.

If students are interested in starting a new club, they must find a sponsor teacher, fill out the Club Registration Form, and get approval from VP Ms. D. Miller . The Club Registration Form can be obtained at the main office. If parents wish to have their child(ren) excluded from any of the available activities, please inform the Principal via email @ player_m@surreyschools.ca

SUPPLY LIST

Subject teachers will advise students as to the school supplies needed for each subject.

As needs differ between courses, it is recommended that you buy only the basic supplies until after meeting your teachers during the first week. If you need support getting supplies, please let your alpha VP or counsellor know.

To start the year, basic supplies would include pens, pencils, binders and loose-leaf paper.

LOCKERS



GUILDFORD PARK SECONDARY SCHOOL

Welcome to the On-Line Locker Management System for 2025-2026

<https://gpsabres.lockerassignment.com/> or on the
APP <https://gpsabres.appazur.com/>

Online student accounts have been created for all current students. To log in, you must enter your **STUDENT #** and your **password**.

After entering your **STUDENT #**, you must enter your **password**. Your password is your birthday. The format of the password is YYYYMMDD, so if you were born Sept 19, 2004, your password would be '20040919'. Your student number is on your student timetable that you will receive in homeroom on the 1st day of school.

Select a **zone of the school** in which you would like to have a locker. Note that as the availability of lockers changes, the zone buttons will change from **Yellow** (many lockers available), to **Orange** (over 50% of lockers capacity assigned) to **Red** (no lockers available in zone).

When a zone is selected, the **available lockers** will be listed. A locker- entry that is **Green** is an available locker, and a locker entry that is **Orange** is NOT available.

Once you have selected a locker you will be given the **locker combination**. You can log in at any time to see your assigned locker and combination.

Note: *You cannot change your locker through the online application.*

***EARLY LOCKER SUPPORT FOR GRADE 8 STUDENTS:** *If you would like to receive your student number early, please come to the **New to GP Welcome Event** in the large gym on **Tuesday, August 26th at 1pm**. See page 8 of this newsletter.*

LOCKER AREAS: If you go to this **website** above before the date below, you can check out the locker areas and start to pre-plan where you may like to have a locker.

UPPER LOCKERS: These lockers are for grades 10, 11 and 12 students.

LOWER LOCKERS: These are available to all students.

Dates when students can start to access the system for 2025/2026 school year:

Grade 8 and Grade 12: Tuesday, August 26 @ 10:00 am

Grade 11: Wednesday, August 27 @ 10:00 am

Grades 9 & 10: Thursday, August 28 @ 10:00 am



Please note, it is the student's responsibility to ensure they have logged in and selected their locker on or after the given date.

LOCKERS (continued)



Tel: 604.596.7733
www.surreyschools.ca

Parent/Student Notice LOCKERS – CONDITIONS OF USE

RULES REGARDING STUDENT LOCKERS: CONDITIONS OF USE

Lockers are assigned to students for use during the school year on the following conditions:

1. Students are responsible for the locker which is assigned to them and it is not to be used by any other person.
2. Only approved locks may be used on student lockers and the combination of the lock must be registered at the office.
3. The locker may only be used for the storage of books, school supplies and equipment, outerwear, school sports equipment and lunches.
4. No other material is permitted except with the written authority of the principal or vice principal.
5. The locker is to be kept clean and food removed on a regular basis.
6. Students are responsible for cleaning and removing all material from their locker at the end of the year or when they leave the school.
7. No illegal substances, weapons or other prohibited or offensive material may be placed in school lockers.
8. School officials and/or designates may search student lockers at any time and without prior notice in order to ensure compliance with the conditions of use and other school policies and rules. Searches by school officials may include the use of dog units to detect the presence of narcotics or other prohibited materials.
9. Permission to use the locker may be terminated when a student does not comply with the conditions of use or school policies or rules.
10. It is the responsibility of all members of the school community to keep our schools safe. If any student has reason to believe that any locker contains anything which would threaten the safety of other students, staff or any other person, that student is expected to immediately report the information to a teacher or administrator. The name of the student making such a report will be kept confidential.



NEWCOMERS to GP!

Are you NEW to GP?



Join us at our Welcome Event!

When: **Tuesday, August 26th at 1pm**

Where: **The large gym**

Open to all grade 8 students or NEW students grades 9-12 who have questions, want to see the school, or want to get assistance with online locker selection. Please know this is voluntary. Students are not required to come.

We look forward to welcoming all students back on September 2nd !



SCHOOL PHOTOS



Student photos will be taken on Monday, September 22, 2025. Absentee day/retakes are on Tuesday October 21, 2025. All students will have their photos taken, free of charge, for Student ID Cards and the Yearbook. Please note that your Student Identification Card will also serve as your Trans-Link Card as well as your Library Card for signing out books, so it is very important that you **do not miss** the photo session. **Students wishing to purchase the portrait package must complete an order online with Artona.** Please visit Artona’s website at www.artona.com

SCHOOL FEES AND OPTIONAL ENHANCEMENTS TO PROGRAMS

Please see pages **10** and **11** to register for School Cash Online. Once school and event fees are placed on the online fee payment system, a notification email will be sent out. Thank you.

Basic Student Fee \$25.00

Optional Enhancements and Extracurricular Activities

Graduation Ceremony (Grade 12 Only)	\$45.00
Yearbook	\$15.00
Art Sketchbook	\$10.00
First Aid Certificate	\$5.00
Food Safe Workbook & Certificate	\$23.00
Deposit for Graphing Calculator <i>(fully refundable upon return)</i>	\$100.00
Athletics (one-time fee per school year) <i>(Additional fees vary depending on team cost)</i>	\$60.00



Guildford Park Secondary School and Surrey School District #36 maintain that no student should be excluded from an educational activity due to financial hardship or an inability to pay a fee. If you are unable to pay a fee, please contact your child’s vice-principal or counsellor.

Note: For more information on fees and enhancements please go to the surrey school district website at www.surreyschools.ca and click on “About Us” and then “Policies and Regulations.” More information and clarification can be found in policy #9802 and #9802.1.



Guildford Park Secondary School

SCHOOL FEES ON-LINE REGISTRATION

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Re: Online Payment for School Expenses

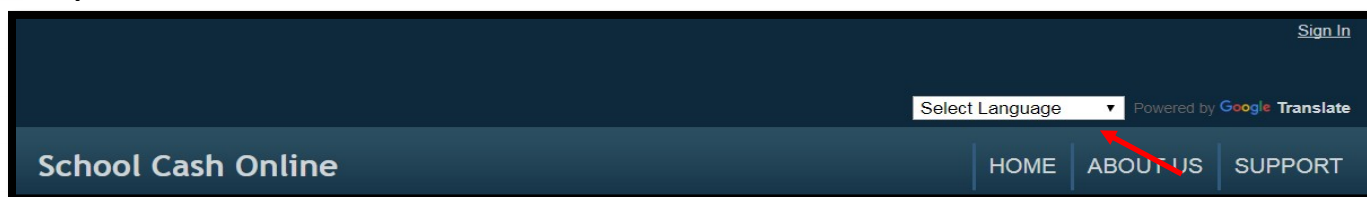
School Cash Online provides you with the convenience of paying online for school items such as school fees, yearbooks, field trips and athletic fees. We really want to save you time when paying for school expenses, so we can't wait for you to take advantage of this opportunity. **School Cash Online** is a safe and secured way to pay without the need for cash or cheques – fees can be paid through 3 different payment methods: credit card, myWallet and eCheque.

Please follow the link below to register online (it takes less than 5 minutes!). Once you have registered your child, you will be able to see when they have a new item posted online for purchase. You also have the option to be notified whenever your child has a new school expense due, so you don't have to worry about missing the deadline.

To set up an account and explore the system, please follow the instructions below. We look forward to hearing your feedback!

Register Online: Note: **School Cash On-Line offers communications in different languages - please see the 'Select Tab' at top right corner of the home page.**

Step 1: Please visit the school's website at:



www.surreyschools.ca/schools/guildfordpark and navigate your way to the School Cash Online page by clicking on the 'Parent' tab, selecting 'Pay Fees Online'.

Step 2: Register by selecting the "Get Started Now" and following the steps.

Step 3: After you receive the confirmation email, select the "click here" option, login in and add each of your children to your household account.

✓ Convenient ✓ Safe ✓ Secure

SchoolCashOnline

“Registration”

NOTE: If you require assistance, select the *SUPPORT* option in the top right hand corner of the screen.

Step 1: Register

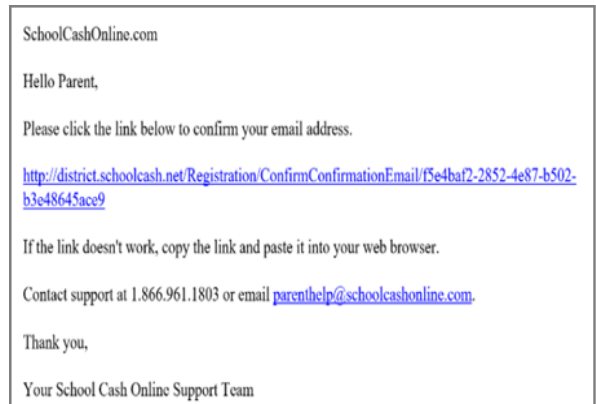
If you have not registered, please go to the school’s website at www.surreyschools.ca/schools/guildfordpark and navigate your way to the School Cash Online page by clicking on the “**Parent**” tab, selecting “**Pay Fees Online**” and select the “**Get Started Today**” option.

Complete each of the three Registration Steps
 *For Security Reasons your password requires **8 characters**, **one uppercase letter**, **one lowercase letter** and a **number**.



Step 2: Confirmation Email

A registration confirmation email will be forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and *School Cash Online* account. The confirmation link will open the *School Cash Online* site prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password just created with your account.



Step 3: Find Student

This step will connect your children to your account.
 Enter the School Board Name.
 Enter the School Name.
 Enter Your Child’s First Name, Last Name and Birth Date.
 Select **Continue**.
 On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in the Agree box and select **Continue**.
 Your child has been added to your account.

Step 4: View Items or Add Another Student

If you have more children, select “**Add Another Student**” and repeat the steps above. 8 children can be added to one parent account. If you do not wish to add additional children, select “**View Items For Students**” option. A listing of available items for purchase will be displayed.

Find Student

School Information

School Board Name: School Board 1575
 Looking for a student in a different school board?

School Name:

Student Information

Do you have the student number?

Student Number

I don't have the student number.

First Name *

Last Name *

Birth Date *

Date format: mm/dd/yyyy

(No students? [Click here](#))

SCHOOL APP - Very Important: please download app



“GP Sabres”

gpsabres.appazur.com

Available on the App Store

ANDROID APP ON Google play



Get important updates your way: Opt-in to app notifications, email, or text message.

Try our school app!

<p>Benefits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subscribe to news and calendars for your (or your son or daughter’s) classes and extra-curricular activities. • An easy single point of access to any school information from teachers, clubs, PAC, the school & district. • Consolidates information from Twitter accounts, Facebook pages, online calendars, websites and blogs. • Avoids paper waste by reducing the need for printing newsletters and student planners. • No more lost notes! 	<p>Features</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework list with daily reminder notifications. • Unified, personalized school/class/club calendar. • Block rotation schedule. • Quick access school/class/team/club websites without leaving the app. • Copy school events to Apple/Google personal calendar. • Share school events on social media. • One tap to email or call the school. • If you don’t have a device, use it from your web browser.
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Available for:

iPhone / iPad / Android Phones & Tablets

Windows/Mac OSX: Chrome/Firefox/Safari



1. MyEducationBC

The MyEducationBC (MyEdBC) application is a secure portal used in most school districts in the Province of BC. Security is guided by the rules and regulations of the School Act and Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA). If you have any questions or concerns please contact your school principal.

2. Logging In

A **Login ID** and a temporary **Password** will be provided to you by email at the time your account is created. The email will come from 'sysadmin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca'.

The MyEdBC website is: <https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>

1. Enter your **Login ID** and temporary **Password**
2. Click **Log On**

 A screenshot of the MyEducation BC Prod login page. It features a title bar "MyEducation BC Prod", a "Login ID" input field, a "Password" input field, a "Log On" button, and a link that says "I forgot my password".

Students use the same login instructions but use their Student ID Number for Login

3. You will be prompted to change your password. '**Current Password**' is the temporary Password you were provided. Enter a '**New Password**' and '**Confirm New Password**'. Password requirements are displayed behind the red warning message.

 A screenshot of a "Password Requirements" dialog box. The dialog has a red header and a red 'X' icon. The text inside says "Your password has expired. Please create a new one." Below this are three input fields: "Current Password", "New Password", and "Confirm New Password". There are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons at the bottom.

4. You will be prompted to confirm your email address and enter your Security Preferences by choosing a security question and answer that you will remember. This will allow you to use the 'Forgot my Password' function on the logon page, should you need to reset your password.

Surrey School District's Code of Conduct
KEEPING OUR SCHOOLS SAFE

The Surrey School District is committed to providing safe and caring environments in which all learners can achieve academic excellence, personal growth, and responsible citizenship. Safe and caring school environments are free of acts of:

- Bullying, harassment, threat, and intimidation,
- Violence in any form,
- Verbal, physical, or sexual abuse/exploitation,
- Discrimination,
- Theft and vandalism.

Safe and caring schools do not tolerate the presence of:

- Intoxicating substances,
- Weapons and explosives and
- Intruders or trespassers.

It is expected that students will:

- Neither take part in, nor condone (provoke, encourage, or make a spectacle of) any form of violence.
- Seek to prevent violence and potentially violent situations.
- Not use, possess, or display any weapon, replica weapon or toy weapon on any school property or at any event that is organized or sponsored by a school.
- Not use, possess, or sell any intoxicating or controlled substances.
- Demonstrate, when using electronic resources, appropriate on-line conduct.
- Show respect for the property of others by refraining from theft, vandalism, graffiti, and other inappropriate behaviors.
- Abstain from smoking on school and other District property.
- Use respectful language.
- Practice academic honesty and personal.

The effective management of student discipline is a necessity to establish safe and caring environments that foster student learning needs. Prevention and intervention strategies applied at the school level and supported at the district level are essential to the foundation of a safe learning environment.

Responsibility for an effective discipline program is shared among many partners including the district, schools, students, parents/guardians, community groups, social agencies and the RCMP. The Board promotes understanding and acceptance of the interactive roles required to achieve safe and caring schools.

Reference: Safe and Caring Schools Policy 9410 and Regulations 9410.1 and 9410.2

www.surreyschools.ca/Board/Policies/section9000.ht

GUILDFORD PARK SECONDARY'S CODE OF CONDUCT

At Guildford Park Secondary, we want students to acquire knowledge, develop skills and positive attitudes toward learning, practice social responsibility, strengthen their interpersonal skills, and respect the rights and property of others.

To this end, students are expected to demonstrate the attributes of responsible citizens by adhering to the following expectations. These expectations are in effect while under the jurisdiction of the school. This includes travelling to and from school, while at school, and/or at any school sponsored event.

I HAVE THE RIGHT:	I HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY:
<p>To be safe and to be respected for who I am regardless of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opinions • Gender • Gender identity • Sexual Orientation • Cultural, religious, or ethnic origins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to be courteous in word and action to others and to not use intimidating or hurtful language or actions • to use appropriate language • to respect the ethnic, cultural, and linguistic heritage of others • to respect all differences including gender identity • to treat others as you would like to be treated • to not take the property of others without permission • to not damage the property of the school or peers • to not deface lockers, textbooks, or other property • to use good judgment when faced with difficult decisions • to use the supports available whenever an issue arises • to solve problems with the help of the adults in the building • to use the internet to not post harmful information about students or staff • to dress in appropriate clothing that does not promote or depict images, language or content related to drugs, alcohol, sex, violence, racism, or discrimination. <p>Conform to established health & safety requirements for the intended activity.</p>
<p>To learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free of obvious distractions • In a safe environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to follow the rules of the school and the teachers • to attend each class regularly • to be on time for each class • to come prepared to learn with all materials • to have a parent/guardian contact the school when absent • to allow others to work without distraction or excessive noise • to problem-solve not escalate • to not wear hats or hoodies so that intruders are easily identified
<p>To a school, community and environment that is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy • Safe • Positive • Clean 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to care for school property and equipment • to reduce, re-use and recycle • to use all disposal containers for garbage, recyclables, and compost • to report all vandalism and unsafe behavior • to not smoke on school property—tobacco, e-cigarettes, or vaporizers



Assessment of Risk to Others (ARTO) Process Formally Violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA)

Notice to students and their parents/guardians.

Fair Notice

What behaviours initiate a student risk assessment?

A student risk assessment will be initiated when behaviors include, but are not limited to, serious violence or violence with intent to harm or kill, verbal/written threats to harm/kill others, online threats to harm/kill others, possession of weapons (including replicas), bomb threats, fire setting, hate incidents motivated by factors including but are not limited to: race, culture, religion, and/ or sexual orientation, sextortion, or assault, gang related intimidation and violence.

What is a risk?

A risk is an expression of intent to do harm or act out violently against someone or something. Risks may be verbal, written, drawn, posted online, or made by gesture. Risks must be taken seriously, investigated, and responded to.

Duty to Report

To keep school communities safe, caring and inclusive, staff, parents, students, and community members must report all risk-related behaviors to their school administrator.

Duty to Respond

All threats must be taken seriously and responded to which includes an investigation and intervention plan. Our goal is to maintain a safe, caring and inclusive learning environment.

What is a Risk Assessment Team?

Each school has a Risk Assessment Team which is multi-disciplinary. The team may include principal, vice-principal, school counsellor, district resource counsellor, district staff and police.

What is the purpose of a student risk assessment?

The purposes of a student risk assessment are:

- ◆ To ensure the safety of students, staff, parents, and others.
- ◆ To ensure a full understanding of the context of the risk.
- ◆ To understand factors contributing to the student of concern's behavior.
- ◆ To be proactive in developing an intervention plan that addresses the emotional and physical safety of the student of concern.
- ◆ To promote the emotional and physical safety of all.

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INTERNET ACCESS



Guildford Park is a wireless internet access for all students. Internet use is intended to further a student's educational experience while at school. Students who use the Wi-Fi must respect school rules with respect to the Code of Conduct and behave in a kind and socially responsible ways. **Violations of Internet use may lead to a loss of this privilege or other disciplinary consequences.**

Parental written consent is required for your child's use of Internet-based tools by British Columbia's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA).

It is important to be aware that the majority of the Internet-based tools are online services hosted outside of British Columbia and possibly Canada. While stored outside the country, information in your child's accounts may be subject to the laws of foreign jurisdictions, including, in the United States, the USA Patriot Act.

PERSONAL DEVICES



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. When not instructed by a teacher to use phones or other digital devices for educational reasons, they should be turned on silent and put away in students' bags.**

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.
- 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.



Guildford Park Secondary

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Important Dates for 2025-2026 School Year

This is a tentative schedule – dates, times and events may change as needed.

September 2, 2025	School Opens
September 22, 2025	Grad Class Photo
September 22, 2025	Photo Day
September 25, 2025	Terry Fox School Run
September 29, 2025	Non-Instructional Day
September 30, 2025	National Truth and Reconciliation Day (Statutory Holiday)
October 13, 2025	Thanksgiving (Statutory Holiday)
October 21, 2025	Photo retake Day- AM
October 22, 2025	Early Dismissal 1:33pm
October 22, 2025	Parent Teacher Interviews 3:30pm
October 24, 2025	Non-Instructional Day
October 27, 2025	PAC Meeting 6:00pm
November 4, 2025	Early Dismissal 1:33pm
November 7, 2025	Report Cards Issued
November 10, 2025	Non-Instructional Day
November 11, 2025	Remembrance Day (Statutory Holiday)
November 24, 2025	PAC Meeting 6:00pm
December 15, 2025	PAC Meeting 6:00pm
December 19, 2025	Last day of School before Winter Break
December 22, 2025 – January 4, 2026	Winter Break
January 05, 2026	School Reopens after Winter Break
January 26, 2026	PAC Meeting 6:00pm
January 27, 2026	End of Semester 1
January 28, 2026	Start of Semester 2
January 30, 2026	Report Cards Published
February 16, 2026	Family Day (Statutory Holiday)
February 20, 2026	Non-Instructional Day
February 22-28, 2026	Grad Photos
February 23, 2026	PAC Meeting 6:00pm
March 11, 2026	Early Dismissal 1:33pm
March 11, 2026	Parent Teacher Interviews 3:30pm
March 16 - 20, 2026	Spring Break
March 23 – 27, 2026	School Closure
March 30, 2026	School Reopens after Spring Break
March 30, 2026	PAC Meeting 6:00pm
April 3, 2026	Good Friday (Statutory Holiday)
April 6, 2026	Easter Monday (Statutory Holiday)
April 14, 2026	Early Dismissal 1:33pm
April 17, 2026	Report Cards Published
April 27, 2026	PAC Meeting 6:00pm
May 01, 2026	Non-Instructional Day
May 18, 2026	Victoria Day (Statutory Holiday)
May 25, 2026	Non-Instructional Day
May 26, 2026	PAC Meeting 6:00pm
June 8, 2026	PAC Meeting 6:00pm
June 19, 2026	Last Day of Classes for the School Year
June 23, 2026	Commencement
June 26, 2026	Report Cards Published/Administrative Day School Closed

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of a Grade 8 Student: please complete the Media/website consent form below and have your child hand it in to the school office. For all other grades please complete the form if you haven't completed one in the past or your preferences have changed and hand it in to the school office. Thank you.



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Media / website consent form

News Media

The Surrey School District occasionally receives requests from the news media to interview, photograph or video record individuals or groups of students in connection with news stories. Also, reporters are sometimes invited to schools to publicize events, as well as student and school successes.

There are great stories in our schools to share and as a public body, we attempt to cooperate with the media whenever possible. However, your right to personal privacy is our priority. Therefore, we ask that this consent form be signed and returned to the school so we can respect your wish for family privacy.

_____ **Yes**, as the parent/guardian of the student named below, I give my consent to the publication/broadcast of his/her picture and/or name by the news media as described above.

_____ **No**, as the parent/ guardian of the student named below, I do not give my consent for the publication or broadcast of his/her picture and/or name by the news media, when and where the school or school district has control over such activity*.

****School & district staff cannot control news media access or photos/videos taken at public locations such as field trips, or school events open to the public, such as sports tournaments, student performances, school board meetings, etc.***

School / District Websites & Publications

In accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, the Surrey School District requires consent to use a student's full name and/or photograph/video in a public way, such as on school or district websites or in written publications such as brochures, reports and advertisements. **Therefore, your permission is requested to publicly post or publish your child's full name, photo or video of your child in connection with school or district activities for websites, brochures, reports or advertisements.**

_____ **Yes**, as the parent or guardian of the student named below, I give my consent to the publication of his/her name, photo or video as described above.

_____ **No**, as the parent or guardian of the student named below, I do not give my consent for the publication of his/her name, photo or video as described above.

(Consent for secondary school students is valid until graduation. Consent for elementary students remains valid until Grade 8. However, you may review and change your consent at any time by contacting your school.)

 Parent / Guardian Signature

 Date

 Secondary Student Signature

 Date

Student's Name (print): _____ **Div:** _____ **Grade:** _____



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Student Accident Insurance

Did you know . . .

The Surrey School District does not insure expenses for student injuries that happen on school grounds or during school activities?

You are responsible for these expenses as a parent or guardian.

It's recommended that parents consider student accident insurance to cover school injuries. Several companies offer inexpensive accident insurance and you can choose a plan that best suits your family's individual needs.

For convenience the Surrey School District and your District Parent Advisory Council have made available information on student accident Insurance through Insure my Kids and Study Insured Student Accident insurance program.

Insuremykids® and Study Insured student accident insurance offer protection against the potentially high costs of serious injury from unexpected accidents and is especially valuable for families who:

- do not have medical or dental plans,
- have limited plans, as it may help supplement health and dental benefits, or
- have active children who enjoy sports and outdoor activities.

Accidents can, and do, happen

Both of these programs have a selection of plans to suit most budgets. Benefits include coverage for:

- A full year (September to September), 24 hours a day, whether at school or at home.
- Expenses such as ambulance, physiotherapy, private tutoring, counselling, and much more that are limited or not covered by private or group insurance plans, or provincial health plans.
- Injury-related dental treatment.
- Out-of-province or country emergency medical expenses.

If you change your address during the school year, your student accident insurance plan is transferable from school to school, anywhere in Canada.

Insurance premiums range from \$17.00 to \$33.00 per year, depending on the plan selected, and your child is covered all the time, not just while at school. A discounted premium is available for families with three or more children.

The insurance agreement will be between you and the insurance provider you choose. Student accident insurance becomes effective on the date the enrolment application and payment are received by the insurance carrier. We encourage you to explore all options to determine what's best for you.

For more information or to apply online, please visit <https://insuremykids.com/> or <https://www.studyinsuredstudentaccident.com/>.

If you would like to speak with a representative.

*Please contact Insure my kids at **1-800-463-5437***

*Study Insured at **1-833-560-0527** (toll free)*