



2025/05/30

Dear Sullivan Heights Community,

Attached to this letter are two documents related to the 2025/2026 school year. One of them is our daily bell schedule for next year. The second document is a outlines school fees and enhancement fees for next year.

As was shared in a community letter sent in March, Sullivan Heights Secondary will have an extended day schedule for the 2025/2026 school year. This means that while the school will have five blocks of classes each day, students will be enrolled in four of these. Students in grades 11 and 12 will have unassigned blocks (these will appear in student schedules as *Flex Blocks*) – the unassigned blocks are what allow the extended schedule to accommodate additional enrolment. The schedule has been designed so that, generally speaking, students in the following grades will have the following start and end times for the 2025/2026 school year:

Grade 8-9	8:00 AM – 2:15 PM (Periods 1-4)
Grade 10	8:00 AM – 2:15 PM (Periods 1-4) <u>OR</u> 9:25 AM – 3:40 PM (Periods 2-5)
Grade 11-12	8:00 AM – 3:40 PM (Periods 1-5 with one Flex block)

Additionally, as you will note on the attached schedule document, there are also 12 school days that have earlier dismissal times than the regular days (*Shortened* and *CSL Days*). The exact schedules of these adjusted days is included in the attached document.

Sincerely,

Nikolas Kirincic
Principal, Sullivan Heights Secondary



Sullivan Heights Secondary
2025/2026 Bell Schedule

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

Important School Dates

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

These fees may be subject to change depending on circumstances

Basic Student Fee

Student Activity Fee – **Grade 8** \$20
(Student fee includes: Grade 8 Planner \$4; Student Council, Leadership & Events \$6; Athletics & Intramurals \$8; Locks and Locker maintenance \$2; 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** \$20
(Student fee includes: Scheduling app & School Messenger \$4; Student Council, Leadership & Events \$6; Athletics & Intramurals \$8; Locks and Locker maintenance \$2; Student Go-Card).

Optional Enhancements and Extracurricular Activities:

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

Athletics	Basketball Sr. Boys	\$250
	Sr. Girls	\$150
	Jr. Boys	\$175
	Jr. Girls/Gr 8 Boys	\$150
	Gr 8 Girls	\$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		\$25
<i>Additional fees will apply</i>		
Graduation Commencement Ceremony		\$50
Yearbook (Earlybird)	August - January	\$60
Yearbook	February – June	\$70

These fees may be subject to change depending on circumstances

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Workbooks	Accounting	\$25 - \$30
	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	\$35 - \$40
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.