



BACK TO SCHOOL AT ALPHA

An Information Session with Mr. Wozney

September 2, 2020

Agenda

- Burnaby's Return to School Plan
- Health and Safety
- Opening Week
- Bell Schedules
- Timetables and course changes
- School communication
- Options for students & families

Burnaby School District's Return to School Plan

- Students attend school every day. The school year is divided into 10-week quarters with two classes taken each quarter (for a total of eight classes over the year)
- MS Teams is used by all staff and students, allowing them to access learning if the pandemic stage changes or they are temporarily home due to illness
- Summary available on the District website at <https://burnabyschools.ca/>

Burnaby School District's Return to School Plan (cont'd)

Junior Program (Grades 8, 9)

- Learning groups of 60 or fewer
- 100% in-class instruction all day, 5 days per week (providing maximum in-person instruction to our junior students, who need this support the most)
- Flexible Student Support Time built into the class schedule
- Start & end times, breaks, and lunches staggered

Senior Program (Grades 10, 11, 12)

- Learning groups of 30 or fewer
- One in-person class daily
- One class involving a mix of online and in-school learning
 - In-person attendance 2 days a week in this class
 - Online attendance 3 days a week
- Flexible Student Support Time available at the start and end of each day



Health and Safety at Alpha

- Daily health checks
- Masks
- Designated entrances
- Handwashing
- Staggered start and end times
- Staggered break times
- Lockers
- Cafeteria

Opening Week

	THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 10	FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 11
9:00 am to 10:00 am	Grade 8 Period 1 Class	Grade 8 Period 2 class
10:30 am to 11:30 am	Grade 12 A – L	Grade 12 M - Z
12:00 pm to 12:45 pm	Grade 10 A – L	Grade 10 M - Z
1:00 pm to 1:45 pm	Grade 11 A – L	Grade 11 M - Z
2:00 pm to 2:45 pm	Grade 9 All	All grades Students with no Period 2 class <small>**Room numbers will be emailed to these students at their O365 email accounts</small>

- Students ***must*** login to MyEd to access their timetables prior to September 10

Junior Bell Schedule (Grade 8 and 9)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:45 – 11:35	P E R I O D 1 Flexible Student Support Time Built in Staggered 15 minute Nutrition Break included in Period 1				
11:35 – 12:15	L U N C H				
12:15 – 2:45	P E R I O D 2 Flexible Student Support Time Built in Staggered Break Time included in Period 2				

- Students may go home for lunch
- Students are asked to leave school immediately after Period 2

Senior Bell Schedule

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:45 – 9:15	Flexible Student Support Time				
9:15 – 11:25	PERIOD 1 Staggered 15 minute Nutrition Break included in Period 1				
11:25 – 12:15	LUNCH				
12:15 – 2:25	Period 2 Group A	Period 2 Group B	Period 2 Online Learning	Period 2 Group A	Period 2 Group B
2:25 – 2:55	Flexible Student Support Time				

- Students may go home for lunch
- Students are asked to leave school immediately after Period 1 if it is their at-home, online learning day

Course Changes



- No course changes for Grades 8 & 9
- For students in Grades 10, 11, & 12
 - Wrong class
 - Missing a required course
 - Missing a class (incomplete timetable)
- Electronic Course Change Request Form available through O365
- Priority given to changes needed for Q1
- No changes if student has attended a P1 class and established their Learning Group



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School Communication

- Email Jacqueline.Duff@burnabyschools.ca if your contact information has changed & needs to be updated
- Third party email accounts (e.g. @Hotmail.com, @gmail.com) are often filtered out by the District's firewall
- Students should be checking and using their school-issued O365 email accounts
- School Calendar is being revised; check the school website for the most up-to-date information



Options for Families

- Attending Alpha
- At Home Learning for Medical Reasons
- Withdrawing from Alpha & registering for Online Distributed Learning
- Homeschooling with a parent