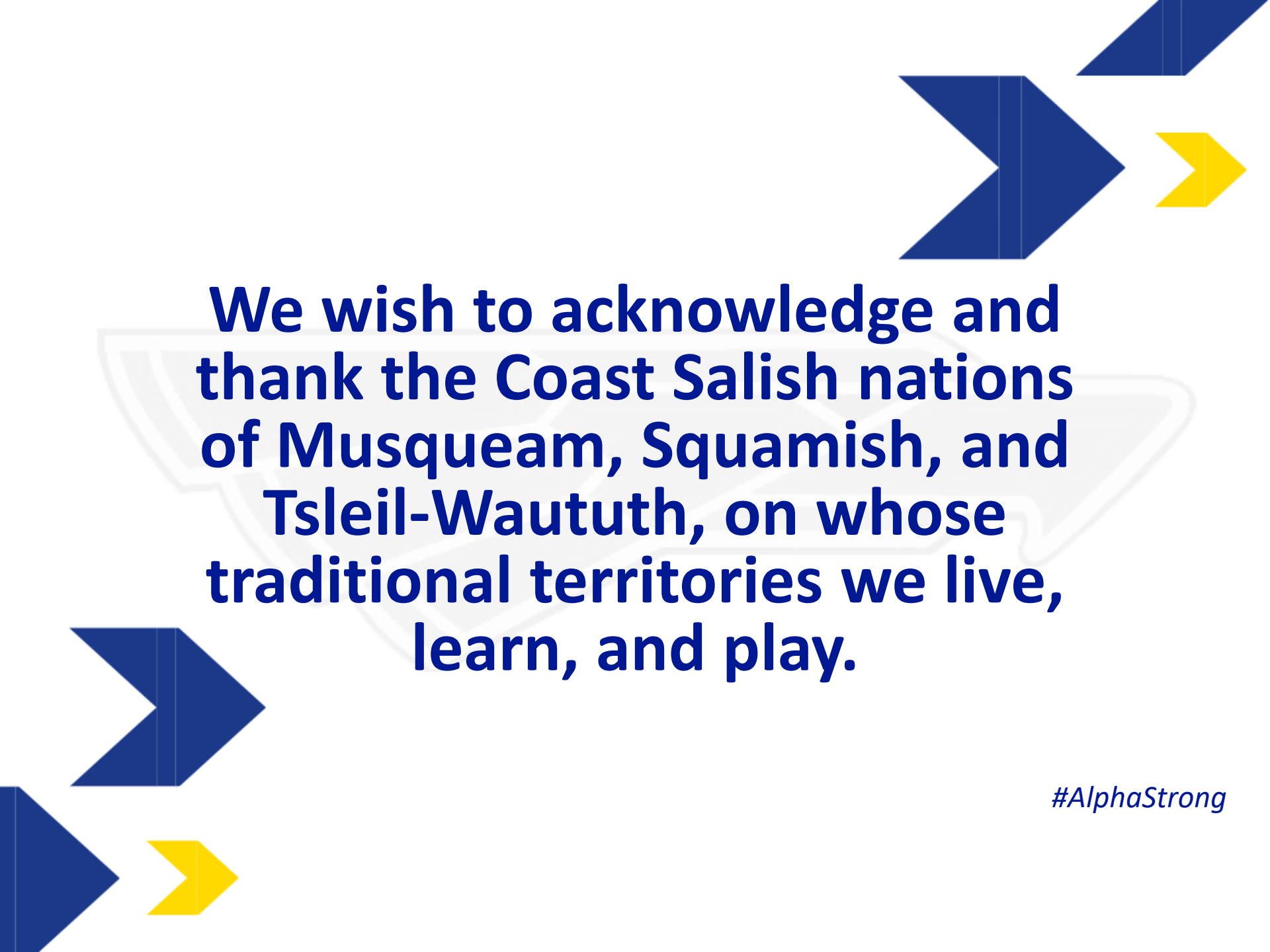




# **Welcome to Alpha!**

**Grade 7 Parents Information Session**

**February 3, 2022**



**We wish to acknowledge and thank the Coast Salish nations of Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh, on whose traditional territories we live, learn, and play.**

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# Welcome from the Principal



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# Today's Presentation

- School Overview
- Student Support and Safety
- Registration
- School Organization
- Supports and Opportunities
- Course Selection
- Grade 8 Transition
- Student Life

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# Administration



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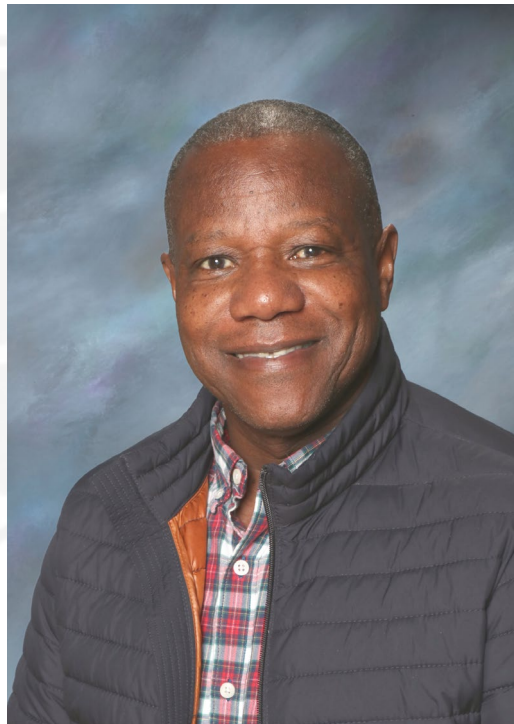
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# Safe Schools Specialist



**WENDEL WILLIAMS**

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# Also here to help!



**MS. F. BOLTON**  
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Engagement Worker



**MR. D. TAI**  
International  
Support Worker





# Registration

| LIVING<br>IN-CATCHMENT   | LIVING<br>OUT-OF-CATCHMENT<br>(WITHIN BURNABY)   | LIVING<br>OUT-OF-CATCHMENT<br>(OUTSIDE OF BURNABY)  |
|--|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Family schools have <i>pre-transitioned</i> Grade 7s</li><li>• Counsellors will conduct course selection presentations at our family schools</li><li>• All others should phone the school to make a registration appointment</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cross District Application Form available at <a href="https://burnabyschools.ca/registration-categories/#studenttransfers">https://burnabyschools.ca/registration-categories/#studenttransfers</a></li><li>• Email to <a href="mailto:alpha.info@burnabyschools.ca">alpha.info@burnabyschools.ca</a></li><li>• Accepted from Feb 1 to 28</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Out-of-District Application Form available at <a href="https://burnabyschools.ca/registration-categories/#studenttransfers">https://burnabyschools.ca/registration-categories/#studenttransfers</a></li><li>• Email to <a href="mailto:alpha.info@burnabyschools.ca">alpha.info@burnabyschools.ca</a></li><li>• Accepted from Feb 1 to 28</li></ul> |

**All cross-district and out-of-district applications are processed by the School District, and families will be notified by mail by March 31**

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# School Organization

## SEMESTER

- 8 courses throughout the year
- 4 courses every day for Semester 1 (September to January)
- 4 courses every day for Semester 2 (February to June)
- 4 formal report cards
- 2 Parent-Teacher conferences

# Semester 1 Bell Schedule

| MON – THU     | MON       | TUE       | WED       | THU       | FRI           | FRIDAY              |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|---------------------|
| 8:40 – 9:10   | FLEX (P1) | FLEX (P2) | FLEX (P3) | FLEX (P4) | EXT FLEX      | 8:40 – 9:30         |
| 9:10 – 10:23  | PERIOD 1  | PERIOD 1  | PERIOD 1  | PERIOD 2  | PERIOD 1      | 9:30 – 10:38        |
| 10:23 – 10:38 | BREAK     |           |           |           | BREAK         | 10:38 – 10:53       |
| 10:38 – 11:51 | PERIOD 2  | PERIOD 2  | LUNCH     | PERIOD 4  | PERIOD 2      | 10:53 – 12:01       |
| 11:51 – 12:36 | LUNCH     |           |           |           | 12:01 – 12:46 |                     |
| 12:36 – 1:48  | PERIOD 3  | PERIOD 3  | PERIOD 3  | PERIOD 4  | PERIOD 3      | 12:46 – 1:53        |
| 1:53 – 3:05   | PERIOD 4  | PERIOD 4  |           |           | PERIOD 4      | 1:58 – 3:05         |
|               |           |           |           |           |               | <i>#AlphaStrong</i> |

# Semester 2 Bell Schedule

| MON – THU     | MON       | TUE       | WED       | THU       | FRI           | FRIDAY        |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|---------------|
| 8:40 – 9:10   | FLEX (P5) | FLEX (P6) | FLEX (P7) | FLEX (P8) | EXT FLEX      | 8:40 – 9:30   |
| 9:10 – 10:23  | PERIOD 5  | PERIOD 5  | PERIOD 5  | PERIOD 6  | PERIOD 5      | 9:30 – 10:38  |
| 10:23 – 10:38 | BREAK     |           |           |           | BREAK         | 10:38 – 10:53 |
| 10:38 – 11:51 | PERIOD 6  | PERIOD 6  | LUNCH     | PERIOD 8  | PERIOD 6      | 10:53 – 12:01 |
| 11:51 – 12:36 | LUNCH     |           |           |           | 12:01 – 12:46 |               |
| 12:36 – 1:48  | PERIOD 7  | PERIOD 7  | PERIOD 7  | PERIOD 8  | PERIOD 7      | 12:46 – 1:53  |
| 1:53 – 3:05   | PERIOD 8  | PERIOD 8  |           |           | PERIOD 8      | 1:58 – 3:05   |



# Supports & Opportunities

- **Connect**
- **After school “Achieve Program”**
- **English Language Learning**
- **French Immersion (District Application process)**
- **Beta Mini-School (District Application process)**
- **Enrichment**
- **Advanced Placement (AP)**
- **Clubs and teams**



# Course Selection

| Alpha's Family of Schools  |  |
|--|--|
| English  | French Immersion   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Brentwood Park</li><li>• Confederation Park</li><li>• Gilmore</li><li>• Kitchener</li><li>• Rosser</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Aubrey</li><li>• Capitol Hill</li><li>• Sperling</li><li>• Westridge</li></ul> |

- **Alpha counsellors have scheduled virtual course selection presentations**
- **Course selection information and forms will be distributed to students to take home for parents to look at, discuss, and sign**
- **Signed forms to be returned to Grade 7 teachers**



# Course Selection

**Students living in catchment but attending *non-family* schools:**

- Complete the online registration package available at <https://burnabyschools.ca/registration/>
- We will contact you for a registration appointment

**Out-of-catchment and Out-of-district students:**

- Please wait for your acceptance package with instructions on how to register



# Grade 8 Course Selection (English)

## REQUIRED courses:

- English 8
- Math 8
- Social Studies 8
- Science 8
- French 8
- Physical & Health Education (PHE) 8

## ELECTIVE courses:

- Select one Fine Arts course: Art 8, Drama 8, Dance 8, Band 8, Choir 8 (early morning class – a 9<sup>th</sup> course)
- Select one Applied Design, Skills, Technologies combination: Digital Literacy 8/Media Arts 8 or Technology Education 8/Home Economics 8





# Grade 8 Course Selection (FRIMM)

## REQUIRED courses:

- Français Langue 8
- Mathématiques 8
- Sciences Humaines 8
- Sciences Naturelle 8
- English 8
- Physical & Health Education (PHE) 8

## ELECTIVE courses:

- Select one Fine Arts course: Art 8, Drama 8, Dance 8, Band 8, Choir 8 (early morning class – a 9<sup>th</sup> course)
- Select one Applied Design, Skills, Technologies combination: Digital Literacy 8/Media Arts 8 or Technology Education 8/Home Economics 8



# Grade 8 Transitions

- **Course Selection Sessions with an Alpha counsellor**
- **School Visits to Alpha**
- **Transitions Evening (with Learning Support Services and Student Services)**
- **Eagle for a Day**
- **Grade 8 Retreat**

# Sophia Grasso



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