

Britannia Secondary Community School

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GRADE 8s -WELCOME TO HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Britannia Secondary School is pleased to welcome the Class of 2025! We are honoured that your child will be attending Britannia and we know that the next five years of school will be a rewarding experience. If you would like to speak with your child's counsellor before school begins, here is their contact information:

Last name A-H Last name I-P Last name R-Z Ms. Joann Liu Ms. Katie Simonson Ms. Michelle Roberts

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All grade 8's are asked to attend on September 10th according to the schedule below. Students, please enter at the cafeteria (located beside the running track on the west side of the school). Staff and leadership students will be there to welcome you and to help you find your class. There will be sanitizer at the door for all students to use. Teachers, support staff, administration and grade 8 counsellors look forward to meeting the new Britannia Bruins.

9:30AM-12:00PM	Last name A-M
12:30-3:00PM	Last name N-Z

It is our goal to have our grade 8s become fully involved in the school. Our emphasis is on academic achievement, citizenship and opportunities for all students to excel. Extra-curricular activities will look different this year, but while they will be limited in the fall, this may change as the school year progresses according to advice from the health authorities.

Our Link Crew Leaders will welcome your child to Britannia through a physically-distanced tour in small groups. This tour will end at your child's first block class and their teacher will lead them in the health and safety orientation for this year. We have divided students alphabetically so that this group will be small—fewer than 15 students per class. Your child will receive their timetable, learn about the various supports available at Britannia, meet old friends and make new ones.

A few health and safety reminders:

- Stay home if you are not feeling well.
- Maintain physical distance (2 metres) at all times outside the building and in the hallways.
- You will be provided with a reusable mask in your class. For this first day, students are encouraged to bring a mask from home to wear in the hallways.

If you have any questions, please call or email me: 604-713-8266; email: <u>kediger@vsb.bc.ca</u>. I look forward to meeting you.

Yours sincerely,

Krista Ediger Vice Principal

Community School in a Multicultural Setting