

Sir Charles Tupper
Secondary School

Class of 2028
**GRADE 8 PARENT
WELCOME**





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WELCOME

Sir Charles Tupper Secondary

Administration

- Jason Lauzon, Principal (grade 12)
- Persis Hui, Vice-Principal (grade 8, 9)
- Hilary Watt, Vice-Principal (grade 10, 11)

Ensuring a safe, caring, and orderly school.



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AGENDA

- Purpose of Orientation
- ROARS
- Communication
 - ✓ MyEducation Family Portal
 - ✓ Website
 - ✓ School Fees
 - ✓ Calendar
- Grade 8 Program
- Our Community
- Available Supports for Students
- Questions and Comments



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TUPPER: A School That ROARS

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Respect
Ownership
Attitude
Responsibility
Safety

ROARS is how
we behave,
and how we
expect others
to behave, at
Tupper



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COMMUNICATION

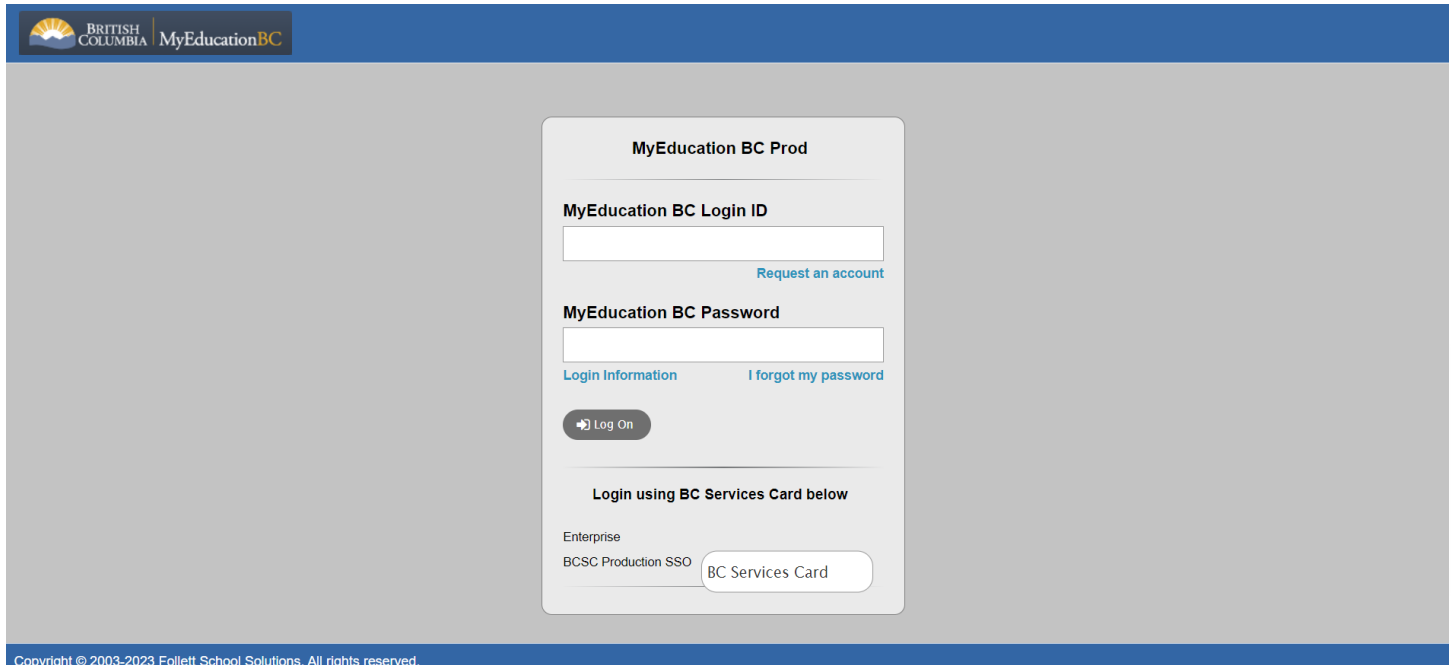
- School Website tupper.vsb.bc.ca
- School Messenger/MyEd (email) - memos
- School email: tupper@vsb.bc.ca
- Student Agenda Book
 - 32 pages at the beginning of the book – District and School procedures and policies)
- Parent/Guardian/Caretaker-Teacher Conferences
- Interim and Report Cards (Online) – MyEducation BC family portal
- Student Announcements
- Teams (student to teacher)
- Email/phone (parent to teacher)



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MyEducation (MyEd) Family Portal

- URL: <https://myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>
- For grade 8s (and new students):
 - ✓ Login ID - student number
 - ✓ Password - Dist\$2024
- * ***Students will be prompted to change their password.*** *



The screenshot shows the login interface for MyEducation BC Prod. At the top left is the British Columbia logo and 'MyEducationBC' text. The main content area is a light gray box with the title 'MyEducation BC Prod'. Below this, there are two input fields: 'MyEducation BC Login ID' and 'MyEducation BC Password'. To the right of the Login ID field is a link 'Request an account'. Below the Password field are two links: 'Login Information' and 'I forgot my password'. A 'Log On' button with a right arrow icon is positioned below the password field. Below the login fields, there is a section titled 'Login using BC Services Card below'. Under this title, it says 'Enterprise' and 'BCSC Production SSO'. To the right of this text is a button labeled 'BC Services Card'. At the bottom of the page, a blue footer bar contains the text 'Copyright © 2003-2023 Follett School Solutions. All rights reserved.'

WEBSITE



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Families

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Fees

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Communicating Student Learning

Parent Advisory Council

Frequently Asked Questions

Incoming Grade 8s

Music

Parent Teacher Conference
Registration Page

SACY

SWIS - Settlement Workers In
School

Attendance

How to Solve a Concern with a
Teacher

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Incoming Grade 8s

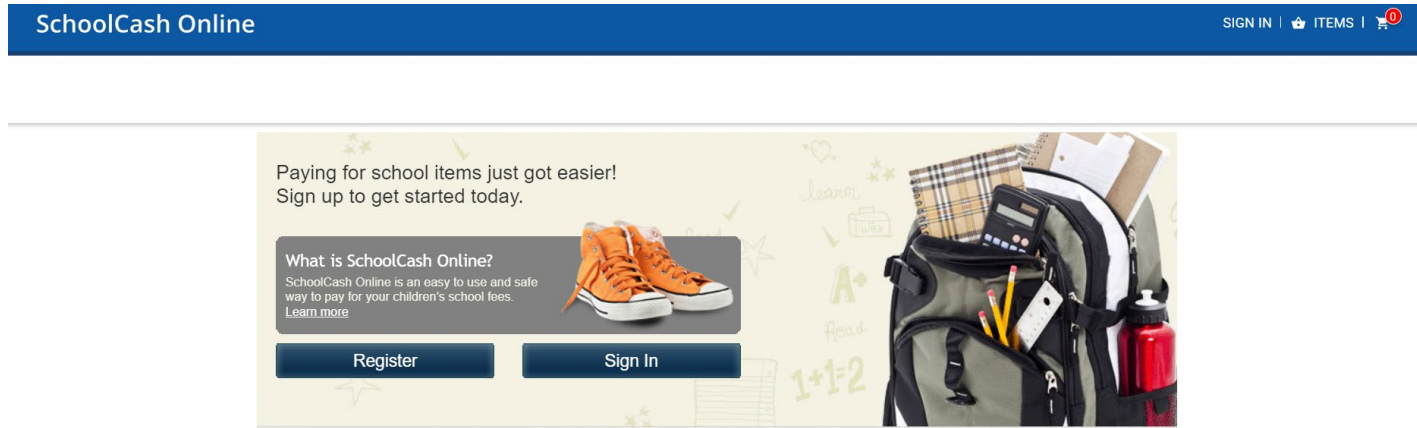
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INFORMATION FOR INCOMING GRADE 8 FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

SCHOOL FEES

- School Cash On-Line



- URL: <https://www.schoolcashonline.com/>

** Please pay school fees before September 5, 2023 **

CALENDAR

List View


Month View

Year View

+ Calendar Subscriptions

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Calendar Printout 

Advanced Search 

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	Sep 1	2
			10:00 AM Grade 8 Orien...			
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Labour Day (no school)	First Day of School School Opens 10:00 AM Start of Seme...	Grade 8 Rotation 1 Begi... 12:00 PM Opening Wee...	12:00 PM Opening Wee...	8:40 AM Grade 8 Assem...	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	8:40 AM Grade 9 Assem...	1:15 PM Grade 12 Asse... 1:15 PM Work Experien...	7:00 PM Parent Advisor...	1:15 PM Grade10 Asse...	8:40 AM Grade 11 Asse... 11:30 AM Link Crew Me...	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		9:45 AM Fire Drill		Grade 8 Camp	Grade 8 Camp Professional Developm...	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
			MINI 8-12 Bard on the B... Terry Fox Run 8:40 AM TIP Morning - n...	12:15 PM ROARS PM	Orange Shirt Day	

SCHEDULE

The following will be part of the 2023-2024 school year schedule:

1. Semesters
2. FIT blocks

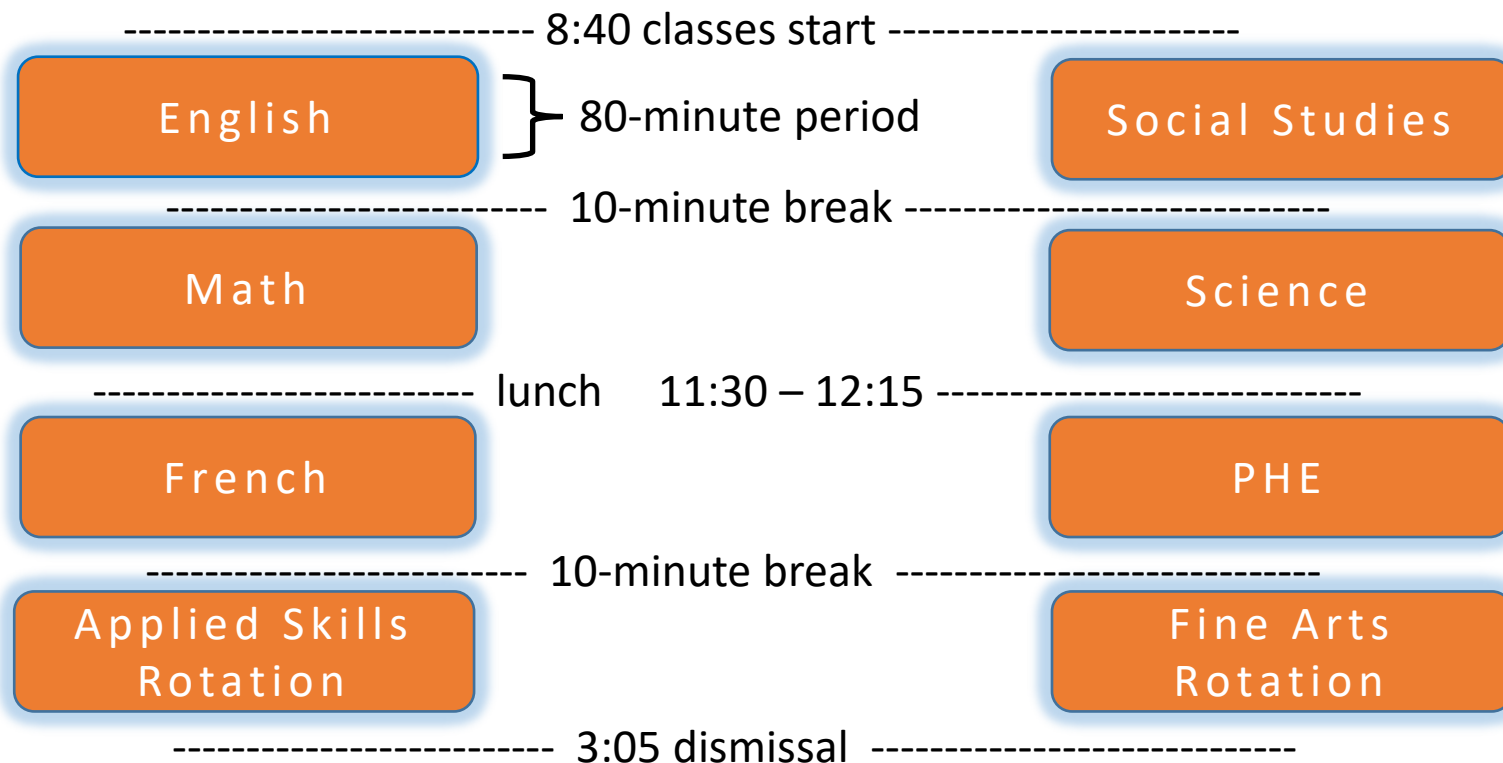
8:35 warning bell, 8:40 class start, 10 min AM break, 10 min PM break, 3:05pm dismissal				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
FIT (40 min) 8:40-9:20	Block 1 (80 min) 8:40-10:00	Block 1 (80 min) 8:40-10:00	Block 1 (80 min) 8:40-10:00	FIT (40 min) 8:40-9:20
Block 1 (60 min) 9:20-10:20	break (10 min)	break (10 min)	break (10 min)	Block 1 (60 min) 9:20-10:20
break (10 min)				break (10 min)
Block 2 (60 min) 10:30-11:30	Block 2 (80 min) 10:10- 11:30	Block 2 (80 min) 10:10- 11:30	Block 2 (80 min) 10:10- 11:30	Block 2 (60 min) 10:30-11:30
lunch (45 min) 11:30-12:15				
Block 3 (80 min) 12:15-1:35	Block 3 (60 min) 12:15-1:15	Block 3 (80 min) 12:15-1:35	Block 3 (60 min) 12:15-1:15	Block 3 (80 min) 12:15-1:35
break (10 min)	FIT (40 min) 1:15-1:55	break (10 min)	FIT (40 min) 1:15-1:55	break (10 min)
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Block 4 (80 min) 1:45 -3:05	Block 4 (60 min) 2:05-3:05	Block 4 (80 min) 1:45 -3:05	Block 4 (60 min) 2:05-3:05	Block 4 (80 min) 1:45 -3:05



GR 8 TIMETABLE – Wednesday EXAMPLE

Semester 1

Semester 2



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WHAT IS FIT?

FIT (Flexible Instructional Time) District Wide Initiative:

Flexible Instructional Time (FIT) is a period of instructional time built into the weekly schedule that gives our students more agency in their learning, goal setting, and time management, empowering student to develop their thinking, communication, personal, and social core competencies. Ultimately, the purpose of Flexible Instructional Time (FIT) is to support the learning and well-being of students by enabling them to have choice in how, when, and where their learning takes place.

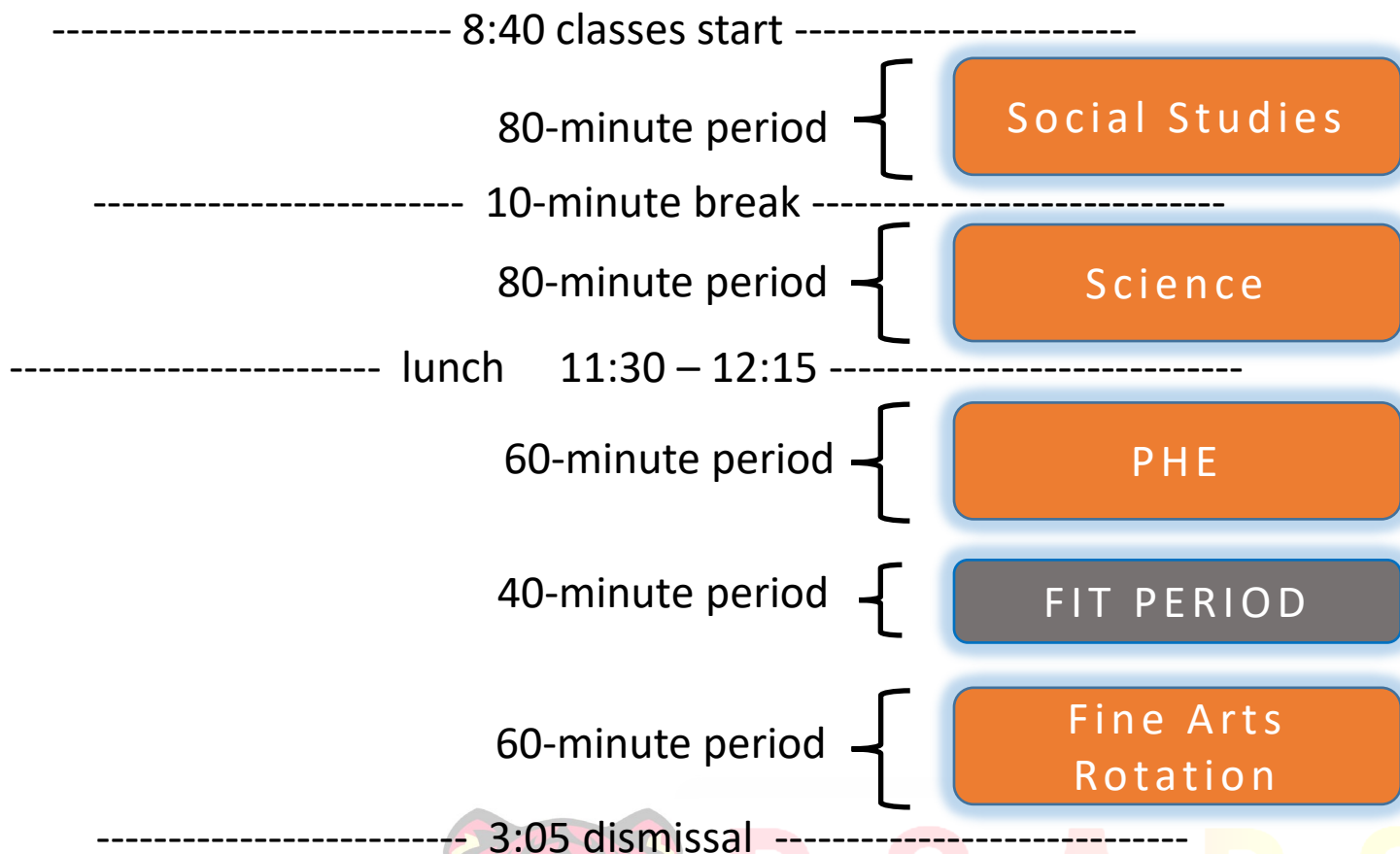
*** 160 mins of instructional time per week ***



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FIT SCHEDULE

Thursdays



EXAMPLES of WHAT STUDENTS CAN DO DURING FIT?

Examples of some ways to use Flexible Instructional Time (FIT)	Places at school to be during Flexible Instructional Time (FIT)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Meeting with teachers for support in subject learning or completing assignments.▪ Attending tutorial sessions▪ Connecting with counsellors▪ Collaborating with other students on projects▪ Individual time for wellness, mindfulness, reflection, and learning▪ Career Life Connections 12 and Capstone▪ Enrichment passion projects▪ Grade-wide assemblies▪ Core competency reflection and goal setting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Classrooms (30 max.)▪ Gym (as per PHE Department schedule)▪ Common areas by classrooms▪ Library▪ Cafeteria



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GRADE 8 COURSES

Fine Arts
Rotation

Drama

Dance

Art

Band
Beg or Intermediate
Full Semester 1
(in lieu of Fine Arts
Rotation)

ADST
Rotation

Home Ec.

Business Ed.

Tech Ed.



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GRADE 8 COURSES

Humanities
(English)

Math

French

Fine Arts
Rotation

Humanities
(Socials)

Science

PHE

Applied Skills
Rotation



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(English)

Math

Learning
Strategies

Fine Arts
Rotation

Humanities
(Socials)

Science

PHE

Applied Skills
Rotation

If your child is enrolled in Learning Strategies, you should have had a conversation with the counselor already. Student IEPs are managed by our SBRT, Ms. Alana Rentz.



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PROGRAMS

- School Based Programs
 - Mainstream
 - English Language Learners
- District Programs
 - Applied Literacy
 - Literacy
 - Life Skills (1 and 2)
 - Learning Support Program (LSP)
 - Tupper Alternate Program (TAP)
 - Tupper Mini School



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OUR ROARSy COMMUNITY

school Counsellors, teachers,
Peer Tutors, SSSWs, Clubs, Community Links,
School nurse, SACY, Indigenous Support, *Liaison Officer*
Administration, Office Staff, Outside Agencies, Link Crew
Safer Schools Liaison SWIS worker, PAC, Multi-
cultural workers, volunteers, student teachers, etc.

COUNSELLORS

- Our counselling team provides:
 - SOCIAL SUPPORT
 - EMOTIONAL SUPPORT
 - ACADEMIC GUIDANCE

The counselling suite is located across from the main office on the third floor.

The counselling team for **grade 8s** are as follows:

- Miya Cancar (Surnames A-G)
- Jackie Ellis (Surnames H-Q)
- Joseph Lee (Surnames R-Z)



STUDENT SUPPORTS

Student Services

- Tanya Baron, **ELL Department Head**
- Wendy Higenbottam, **Student Services Department Head**
- Alana Rentz, **School-Based Resource Teacher**
- Carla Aird, **Youth & Family Worker**
- Winnie Lai, **Community Schools Team**
- Natalie Labelle, **Safe and Caring Schools**
- Multicultural Liaison Workers



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COMMUNITY SCHOOLS TEAM (CST)

- **Winnie Lai** – Community Schools Team Coordinator

- **Community Partners**
 - Hillcrest Community Center
 - Little Mountain Neighbourhood House
 - Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House

- **CST at Tupper**
 - Homework Club
 - Volunteer opportunities
 - Community connections



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INDIGENOUS SUPPORT

- **Amanda Reid** – Indigenous Enhancement Teacher
(shared with Templeton – T, F, and alternate W)
- **Deborah Bell** – School and Student Support
(shared with Templeton and Hamber)



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SUCCESS IN SECONDARY SCHOOL

Be organized

- Use the school agenda consistently to keep track of important dates, assignments, and activities
- Use a binder to keep papers for different subjects in order

Stay Informed

- Use the school website AND grade Teams for all your information

Have fun!

- School can be stressful, but it can also be a lot of fun – get engaged!



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OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED

Athletics

- Rugby * Basketball * Volleyball * Wrestling * Table Tennis * Cross-Country * Badminton * Ultimate * Track & Field * Softball * Soccer * Hockey

Clubs

- Service Club * Smash Bros Club * International Student Club * Student Council * Board Games Club * Tech Club * Tupper Times * Student Council * Chess Club * Craft Club * Debate Club * DJ Club * Homework Club * Yearbook Club * Diversity Club *...and many, many more!

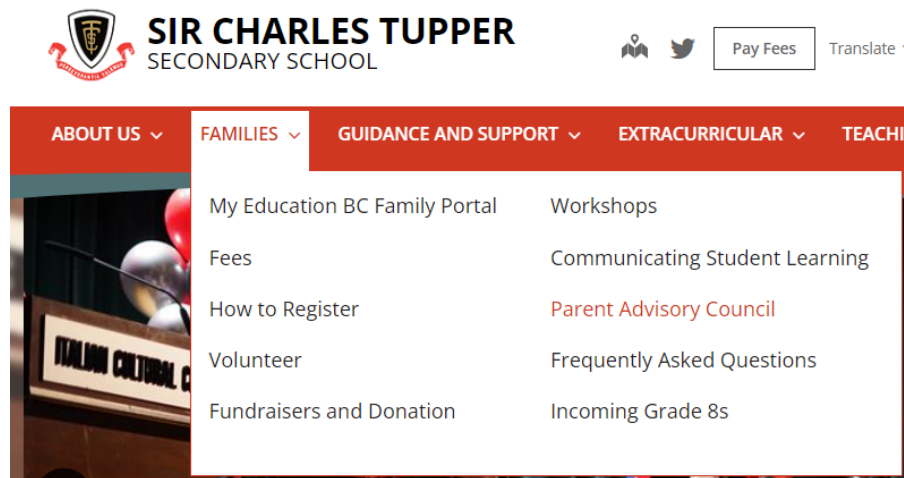


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PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

The first PAC meeting is Wednesday September 13 at 7 pm on Zoom.
Please see the PAC section of the website for more information.



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Sir Charles Tupper Parent Advisory Council

Meetings are open to the Tupper community, no registration required. They are one-hour long and are hybrid virtual/online via Zoom.

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Subscribe to our mailing list to stay informed about upcoming events, meetings, and school news. You will receive an agenda before each meeting when you sign-up.

First Name



Last Name

Email Address

Sign Up



[Visit the Sir Charles Tupper website.](#)

419 East 24th Avenue
Vancouver, V5V 2A2
604-712-8222

PAC Meeting dates and links to join each meeting at 7pm day-of are below.

Note, the "JOIN THE MEETING" buttons will take you directly into the waiting room in Zoom. You do not have to register in advance.

September 13 2023 @7pm

On the Agenda:

TBD

JOIN THE MEETING



Donate to our Gift Card Initiative today!



Every Dollar Counts!

This year, we have made it easy to donate directly to our Gift Card initiative. **Your donation will go directly towards the purchase of grocery store gift cards (No Frills and Superstore), which are given out by the counselling department to students in need.** Any and every amount helps. Instructions on how to donate are below in a list, video and in an image.

You will receive a tax receipt for your donation.

[Donate Now](#)





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2nd Wednesday @ 7pm

Zoom via link & In person in staff lounge

Sign-up for the newsletter

1-hour long



ADDRESSING CONCERNS

Working together to support students

- Teachers and families work together to ensure student success at school.
- If there is a concern regarding something that is going on in a classroom (learning, assessment, or reporting) please contact the teacher ***as the first step***.
- If your concern is more general regarding your child's social, emotional, or academic well being, please contact your child's counsellor.
- [Teacher email](#) contact information is available on our school website or teachers can be contacted by calling the school 604 713 8233.



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HAVE A QUESTION?

We're happy to help!

If you have questions going forward, please contact:

- General Inquiries tupper@vsb.bc.ca
- Wendy Higenbottam **Counsellors** whigenbott@vsb.bc.ca
- Tanya Baron **ELL** tbaron@vsb.bc.ca
- Alana Rentz **Resource/Learning Strategies** arentz@vsb.bc.ca
- Carla Aird **Youth & Family Worker** caird@vsb.bc.ca
- Lavelle Chan **Student Records** lschan@vsb.bc.ca
- Persis Hui **Grade 8 Administrator** phui@vsb.bc.ca



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