

NEW WESTMINSTER SECONDARY 2026-2027 SCHOOL CALENDAR
PUBLICATION

REGULAR SCHEDULE

	Start	End
Block A	8:00 AM	9:20 AM
Break	9:20 AM	9:24 AM
Block B	9:24 AM	10:44 AM
Break	10:44 AM	10:48 AM
Block C	10:48 AM	12:08 PM
Lunch	12:08 PM	12:58 PM
Block D	12:58 PM	2:18 PM
Break	2:18 PM	2:22 PM
Block E	2:22 PM	3:42 PM

ALTERNATE DAY SCHEDULE

OCT 21, NOV 18, DEC 18, JAN 20, FEB 24, APR 14, MAY 19

	Start	End
Block A	8:00 AM	8:50 AM
Break	8:50 AM	8:54 AM
Block B	8:54 AM	9:44 AM
Break	9:44 AM	9:48 AM
Block C	9:48 AM	10:38 AM
Break	10:38 AM	10:42 AM
Block D	10:42 AM	11:32 AM
Break	11:32 AM	11:36 AM
Block E	11:36 AM	12:26 PM

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

OCT 29, APR 1

	Start	End
Block A	12:00 PM	12:27 PM
Break	12:27 PM	12:31 PM
Block B	12:31 PM	12:58 PM
Break	12:58 PM	1:02 PM
Block C	1:02 PM	1:29 PM
Break	1:29 PM	1:33 PM
Block D	1:33 PM	2:00 PM
Break	2:00 PM	2:04 PM
Block E	2:04 PM	2:31 PM
Student Led Conferences	2:45 PM begins	

FIRST DAY SCHEDULE – GRADE ASSEMBLIES – LOCATION – NWSS GYM

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

	Start	End
Grade 9 Assembly	8:00 AM	9:00 AM
Break	9:00 AM	9:15 AM
Grade 10 Assembly	9:15 AM	10:00 AM
Break	10:00AM	10:15 AM
Grade 11 Assembly	10:15 AM	11:00 AM
Break	11:00 AM	11:15 AM
Grade 12 Assembly	11:15 AM	12:15 PM

FIRST DAY SCHEDULE – ELL ASSEMBLIES – LOCATION NWSS THEATRE		
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH		
	Start	End
Grade 12 ELL Assembly	8:00 AM	9:00 AM
Break	9:00 AM	9:15 AM
Grade 9 ELL Assembly	9:15 AM	10:00 AM
Break	10:00AM	10:15 AM
Grade 10 ELL Assembly	10:15 AM	11:00 AM
Break	11:00 AM	11:15 AM
Grade 11 Assembly	11:15 AM	12:15 PM

PROVINCIAL ASSESSMENT DAYS		
DATES: JAN 11, 12, 13 AND JUNE 7, 8		
➤ “Provincial Assessment Day’s” are instructional days. These dates are scheduled for Grade 10 and 12 students to write mandatory provincial assessments to fulfill graduation requirements or any grade 11’s or 12’s that might have missed their assessment. All other students will come for other learning events as communicated at a later date that could include: Immunizations, Core Competencies and Student Learning Survey and Course Selections, Assemblies.		
	Start	End
Morning Assessment Registration in Grand Commons and in front of the library	7:15 AM	8:00 AM
Morning Assessment	8:00 AM	11:00 AM
Afternoon Assessment Registration in Grand Commons and in front of the library	12:00 PM	12:45 PM
Afternoon Assessment	1:00 PM	4:00 PM

INCOMPLETE DAYS		
PROPOSED JAN 29, FEB 1 & JUNE 28, 29		
➤ “Incomplete Days” are instructional days where no new materials will be taught by teachers. Teachers will request specific students to attend their class for academic recovery to support students to successfully complete their semester.		
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2026 – 2027 CALENDAR INFORMATION

Date	Event	Details
Mon, August 31 – Fri, September 4	International Department – Orientation Session	
Tues, September 8 (Day 0)	School Opening / First Day Schedule Grade assemblies 9-12 ELL Grade Assemblies Staff Information meeting – Afternoon Staff Meeting	Grade assemblies – Gym ELL Grade assemblies - Theatre
Wed, September 9 (D1)	First day of Semester 1 and Linear Classes Regular Schedule	
Thurs, September 10 (D2)	International Baccalaureate Student/Parent Orientation 4pm grade 12's and 6pm grade 11's	NWSS Theatre
Fri, September 11 (D1)	Artona Photo Day	
Fri, September 11 (D1)	Last day to withdraw from Semester 1 class w/o academic penalty	
Wed, September 16 (D2)	NWSS Open House @ 6pm	
Friday, September 18 (D2)	Fire & Hold + Secure Block B	
Thursday, September 24	NWSS PAC Meeting @ 7pm	NWSS Library
Mon, September 25	Professional Development Day	School Closed
Mon, September 28– Thurs, October 15	Grade 12 grad photos	Studio On Wheels at NWSS
Tues, September 29 (D2)	Truth and Reconciliation Assemblies	
Wed, September 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	School Closed
October 6 and 7 (D2 and D1)	NWSS Clubs Day @ lunch	Grand Commons
Wed, October 7 (D1)	Fire and Earthquake Drill Block A	
Thursday, October 8 (D2)	Photo Retake Day	
Monday, October 12	Thanksgiving Statutory Holiday	School closed
Thursday, Oct 15 (D2)	Lockdown Drill Blk D	
Friday, Oct 16 (D1)	Student Led Conference Registration Opens at 9am	
Tues, October 20 (D1)	Fire Drill Blk E	
Wed, October 21 (D2)	Alternate Schedule – See schedule above	
Friday, Oct 23	Student Led Conference Registration Closes at noon	
Friday, October 23	Provincial Pro D Day	School closed for students
Wednesday, Oct 29 (D1)	Student Led Conferences	See Schedule Above
Wed, November 4 (D1)	Core Competency Student Self-Assessment (Blk D)	
Tuesday, November 10 (D1)	Remembrance Day Ceremonies	
Tuesday, November 10 (D1)	International Baccalaureate Graduation Evening 4 -9pm	NWSS Theatre and Library
Wednesday, November 11	Remembrance Day Statutory Holiday	School closed
Wednesday, November 18 (D2)	Alternate Schedule – See schedule above	
Thursday, November 19 (D1)	Semester 1 Midterm report cards published	Marks published on MyEd parent portal
Monday, November 23	Pro D Day	School closed
Tuesday, November 24 (D1)	BC Post Secondary Information Evening International Baccalaureate Information Evening	NWSS
Thursday, November 26	NWSS PAC Meeting @ 7pm	NWSS Library
Friday, December 18 (D1)	Alternate Schedule – See schedule above	
December 19 – January 3	Winter Break	School closed
Monday, January 4 (D2)	Schools reopen	
January 11 (D1), 12 (D2), 13 (D1)	Provincial Assessments and Immunizations, Core Competencies and Student Learning Survey / Course Selection	
January 12	Immunizations – See schedule above	Grand Commons
Wed, January 20 (D2)	Alternate Schedule – See schedule above	

Thursday, January 28	NWSS PAC Meeting @ 7pm	NWSS Library
Fri, January 29 (D1) Mon, February 1 (D2)	Incomplete days	
Sun, January 31 – Mon, February 1	International Department – Orientation Session	
Tuesday, Feb 2 (D1)	First day of Semester 2 classes	
Tuesday, February 2 (D1)	Semester 2 Photo Day	
Thursday, February 4 (D2)	Semester 1 Final Course Marks and Term 1 Marks Published	
Thursday, February 4 (D2)	Fire and Shelter in Place Drill Blk B	
Friday, February 5 (D1)	Last day to withdraw from Semester 2 class w/o academic penalty	
Wed, February 10 (D2)	Fire and Earthquake Drill Blk A	
Friday, February 12	Professional Development Day	School closed for students
Monday, February 15	BC Family Day	School closed
Thursday, February 25	NWSS PAC Meeting @ 7pm	NWSS Library
Monday, February 22 (D2)	Lockdown Drill Blk D	
Wednesday, February 24 (D2)	Alternate Schedule – See schedule above	
Wed, February 24 (D2)	Pink Shirt Day	
Monday, March 1 (D1)	Fire Drill Blk E	
Tuesday, March 2 (D2)	Immunizations (Including Sigma)	
Monday, March 8 (D2)	Student Led Conference Registration Opens at 9am	
Thursday, March 11 (D1)	Student Led Conference Registration closes at noon	
March 12 - 29	Spring Break & Easter Holiday	School closed
Tuesday, March 30 (D2)	Schools reopen	
Thurs, April 1 (D2)	Student Led Conferences	See Schedule Above
Wednesday, April 14 (D1)	Alternate Schedule – See schedule above	
Thurs, April 15 (D2)	Core Competency Student Self-Assessment and Student Learning Survey	
April 19-23	Grade 12 Capstone Presentation	Grand Commons
Thursday, April 22 (D1)	Semester 2 Midterm and Term 2 Linear Courses report cards published to portal	Marks published on MyEd parent portal
Thursday, April 22	NWSS PAC Meeting @7pm	NWSS Library
Monday, April 26	District Professional Development Day	
April 23 – May 18	IB Exams	
Tuesday, May 4th	Immunizations	
Wednesday, May 19 (D1)	Alternate Schedule – See schedule above	
Wednesday, May 19 th	Immunizations (Including Sigma)	
Thursday, May 27	NWSS PAC AGM @ 7pm	NWSS Library
Friday, May 21	Professional Development Day	School closed for students
Monday, May 24	Victoria Day Statutory Holiday	School closed
Wed, May 26 (D2)	NWSS International Cultural Day Evening for parents	
Thursday, May 27 (D1)	NWSS International Cultural Day	
Thursday, May 27	Indigenous Graduation and Transition Ceremony	
Monday, June 7 (D2) & Tuesday, June 8 (D1)	Provincial Assessments and Core Competencies and Student Learning Survey	
Monday, June 14	New Westminster Secondary Schools Scholarship & Awards	NWSS Theatre
Saturday, June 19	New Westminster Secondary Schools Dinner Dance	Westin Bayshore, Vancouver
Monday, June 21 (D2)	National Indigenous Peoples Day	
Tuesday, June 22	New Westminster Secondary Schools Convocation	Queen’s Park Arena
Monday, June 28 (D1) Tuesday, June 29 (D2)	Incomplete days	
Tuesday, June 29 (D2)	Semester 2 Final report cards published Term 3 Linear Courses report cards published to portal	Report cards published to parent portal
Wednesday, June 30	Administrative Day	School closed for students