



## BACK TO SCHOOL INFO 2025-2026

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### Dear Students & Families:

I hope you all have a wonderful summer. We look forward to the start of another new school year at Westview! Here is some important information to start the 2025-2026 school year.

**Westview Summer Office Hours** – The office will be open on August 24<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am – 3:00pm and effective Sept 2, 8:00am – 3:30pm.

**Student Timetables** – Our timetable is still being finalized. Therefore, student timetables will be available in MyEdBC for viewing Friday, August 29. All students will be provided with a copy of their timetable as they arrive at school the first week back. We recommend that students take a photo of their schedule as we no longer have the 'My School Day' app.

## School Staff Updates

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### Administration

We do not have any changes to our Admin team, but we would like to wish our former VP, Denis Drapeau a happy retirement! We wish him well. The Admin team remains as follows.

- Cathryn Blanco (Principal) Grade 12s ([Cathryn\\_Blanco@sd42.ca](mailto:Cathryn_Blanco@sd42.ca))
- Robyn Sheridan (Vice Principal) Grade 8 & 10s ([Robyn\\_Sheridan@sd42.ca](mailto:Robyn_Sheridan@sd42.ca))
- Brian Healy (Vice Principal) Grade 9 & 11s ([Brian\\_Healy@sd42.ca](mailto:Brian_Healy@sd42.ca))

### Counselling

- Ms. O'Leary – Gr. 8, 10 & 12s (A-L) & Int'l students ([Lauren\\_Oleary@sd42.ca](mailto:Lauren_Oleary@sd42.ca))
- Ms. Sharpe – Gr. 9, 11 & 12s (M-Z) & Int'l students ([Shannon\\_Sharpe@sd42.ca](mailto:Shannon_Sharpe@sd42.ca))

**Staff Updates** – we say goodbye to the following staff members to Westview.

- Ms. Brooke Carter / English
- Ms. Dani Zagar – ELL/International Student Liaison
- Mr. Dan Procyk – Robotics/Metal/Math

**We welcome the following staff members to Westview**

- Lindsay Zepeski – French
- Joseph Robinson – Leadership/Socials (covering Mr. Kite)
- Michelle Forsgren – Cafeteria Assistant



## Student Orientations – Open House in August

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- **Grade 8 Orientation** – Open house 1:00pm – 2:30pm August 28, 2025
- **New Student Orientation** – Open house 10:30am – 12:30pm, August 28, 2025

## Opening Day – Tuesday, September 2nd, 2025

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Please note on the first day, not all students attend at the same time. Take a look at the schedule and determine by grade the time you need to arrive. Student Advisory's will be provided in our Main Entrance upon student arrival.

Students will then proceed as follows below. In their advisory, teachers will review a number of important documents with students such as, how to pay student fees, sign out a locker, who to contact, how to communicate with their teachers, the digital policies, Health and Safety guidelines & plan for the opening week.

### Grade 8s

- 10:45am – 11:45am (dismissed for the day) – meet in the MPR, then go to Advisory

### Grade 9-12s

- 10:30 – 11:45am (dismissed for the day) – go straight to Advisory

### International Students

- 1:00pm – 3:00pm – International Student Orientation in MPR

### Week 1 Schedule – Wednesday, September 3rd – Friday, September 5th

- All students will be in school for full days from 8:30am until 2:45pm
- Each day will begin with Flex in students' Block A class
- Regular lunch service from our cafeteria will not be provided until Monday, September 13th.

## **September 3 - 5, 2025**

If anything changes, we will send out further information regarding details about our first two weeks back in September around the end of August. For now, our tentative schedule for September 3-5 is as follows:

If your child is in Grade 9-10 and wants to change classes, they will need to make an appointment with their counselor. Mrs. O'Leary deals with 8s, 10s and 12s (A-L) and Mrs. Sharpe deals with grades 9s, 11s and 12s (M-Z).

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## **Sept 3: C, Advisory, D A B**

- 8:25am - First bell goes
- 8:30am - ***Students should be in their Block C class to start***
- CATS 8 Rotation Day 1 starts

## **Sept 4: G, Advisory, H E F**

- 8:25am - First bell goes
- 8:30am - ***Students should be in their Block G class to start***
- CATS 8 Rotation Day 2 starts

## **Sept 5: FRIDAY ROTATION DAY 2 - E F G H**

- 8:25am - First bell goes
- 8:30am - ***Students should be in their Block E class to start***
- Grade 8 Orientation Day

## **Grade 8s**

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### **Grade 8 Orientation - Open House**

On Thursday, August 28 from 1:00pm – 2:30pm we are hosting the Grade 8 Orientation Day Open House. We are so excited to be welcoming our new cohort of Grade 8s to Westview! Grade 8s are welcome to drop by during this time to get a treat and have a look around the school to familiarize themselves before Sept 2. We will have student leaders on hand to give tours & answer questions. Parents & caregivers are welcome as well.

**First week of School for Grade 8s** – The first day of classes for ALL students is September 3. On September 5, after our Grades 8s have had a chance to settle into their new school, we will be holding a Grade 8 Orientation to High School Day as part of the regular schedule and lunch will be provided. Parents & guardians/carers do not attend this day.

**Grade 8 Parent Night** – And don't forget to "Save the Date!" Grade 8 Parent Night @ WSS Thursday, September 18 – more details to follow in Sept. Parents, Caregivers and Students are welcome! Hope to see you there!

**New student Orientation - Open House** – The Westview Counselors will be holding a New Student Orientation on August 28th from 10:30am - 12:30pm. This is open to all students who are new to our catchment area.

Please note this is not for the 'incoming' catchment grade 7s or new international students as they have their own separate events taking place. We will provide a school tour and a rundown of how our timetable works while welcoming you to our great school!

We are really looking forward to the positive impact this program will have on our new grade 8s.

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## School Info

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### Class/Schedule Changes

Students will receive a paper copy of their schedule in their Advisory the first week of September. For students who want to make a change to their schedule, Course Correction Forms will be available for pick up and drop off in the main office.

- All Course Correction Requests will be made online, by students scanning a QR code and entering their requests via the online form
- **Please note that submitting a Course Correction Request does not guarantee that we will be able to accommodate your request.**
- It is essential that students follow their current schedules, even while waiting for changes to be made. Counsellors and Admin will be looking for you according to your current schedule, and if you are not present in class, they will move on to the next student's course request change form.
- Should you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the counsellors by email.

### Student Fee Payment & Lockers (2025-26)

All students in SD42 are required to pay a \$35 Student Fee. This fee may be paid on the Portal or students can pay student fees by cheque or cash at school during the first week of school. Yearbooks are OPTIONAL (\$65) which may be paid on-line through the parent portal or at school

There will be two portal notification emails with instructions for portal payments.

- One portal notification will be for the \$35 Student Fee
- One portal notification will be for the OPTIONAL \$65 Yearbook

Lockers – will be assigned at Advisory during between September 3-12th, 2025.

### WSS App

As of July 1, we will no longer be using the My School Day Westview App as a communication tool. Moving forward, our main communication platforms will be:

- [Parent Portal](#)
- Instagram: [@wsswildcats](#)
- [MyClass](#)
- [Facebook](#)
- Westview Secondary Website: <https://secondary.sd42.ca/wss/>
- **Coming This September:**

We're excited to introduce new messaging pathways for students through their SD42 Microsoft Teams accounts. Stay tuned for more details! Thank you for staying connected and engaged with our school community!

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## School Supplies:

Please be prepared on Sept 3 for your child/ren to be in regular classes. They will need their typical supplies but here is a list you can go by. Each teacher may have specific additional requests for supplies depending on the type of class it is, such as Baking/Foods, Art, Computers, PE, Science etc.:

- Pencils
- Pencil Sharpener
- Pens, Blue or Black
- Highlighters
- Markers - Sharpies/fine sharpie
- Pencil Crayons
- Pencil Case
- Erasers
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Calculator
- Package(s) of Loose Leaf/Filler Paper, Wide Ruled
- Binders - Zipper Binder to hold multiple class information and supplies
- Pocket Folders for binder - with 3 hole punch
- Spiral Notebooks for binder - with 3 hole punch
- Binder dividers - with a 3 hole punch
- White out tape
- Glue
- Sticky notes (not necessary though)
- Kleenex

## Important Dates:

- Thursday, August 28: New Student Orientation/Grade 8 Open House
- Monday, September 1: Labour Day (School Closed)
- Tuesday, September 2: First day of school for students (see above for detailed information)
- Tuesday, September 2: International Student Orientation (1 -3 pm in MPR)
- Wednesday, September 3: First day of regularly scheduled classes
- Friday, September 5: Day 2 (E F G H)
- Friday, September 5: Grade 8 Orientation Day (Brian)
- Friday, September 12: Day 1 (A B C D)
- Thursday, September 18: Grade 8 Parent Night @ 7 pm
- Friday, September 19: Day 4 (G H E F)
- Monday, September 22: Elementary Band Registration @ 7pm
- Tuesday, September 23: Dry Grad Parent Meeting @ 7pm
- Friday, September 26: Day 3 (C D A B)
- Friday, September 26: Terry Fox Run



## 2025-26 Rotating Fridays (FOR PRINTING)

### 2025-2026 Friday Rotations & Important Dates

MONTH	DAY	DAY ROTATION	BLOCK ORDER
September	5	2	E F G H
	12	1	A B C D
	19	4	G H E F
	26	3	C D A B
October	3	2	E F G H
	17	4	G H E F
	31	1	A B C D
November	7	2	E F G H
	14	3	C D A B
	21	4 - Late Start #2	G H E F
	28	1	A B C D
December	5	2	E F G H
	12	3	C D A B
	19	4	G H E F
December - January	22	Winter Break - School closed	NO SCHOOL
January	2		NO SCHOOL
January	5	School back in session	School is open
	9	1	A B C D
	16	2 - Late Start #3	E F G H
	23	3	C D A B
	30	4	G H E F
February	6	2	E F G H
	20	3	C D A B
	27	2 - Late Start #4	E F G H
March	6	1	A B C D
	13	4	G H E F
March - March	16	Spring Break - School Closed	NO SCHOOL
	20		NO SCHOOL
	23	School not in Session - School Closed	NO SCHOOL
	27		NO SCHOOL
	30	School back in session	School is open
April	10	3	C D A B
	17	1	A B C D
	24	4 - Late Start #5	G H E F
May	1	1	A B C D
	8	3	C D A B
	15	Late start (altered schedule)	
	22	1	A B C D
	29	4	G H E F
June	5	3	C D A B
	12	2	E F G H
	22	Flex Learning day	NO CLASSES
	23-24	"IE" day for students	NO CLASSES
	24	Last day for students	NO SCHOOL
	25	Admin Day	NO SCHOOL

#### PHOTO DATES:

Sept	10	School photos
Oct	14	School photo Retakes
Nov	3-7	Grad Photos
Dec	16	Grad Photo Retakes

#### Late Starts

09-Oct-25	Day 1
21-Nov-25	Day 4
16-Jan-26	Day 2
27-Feb-26	Day 2
24-Apr-26	Day 4
15-May-26	Spirit Day - no schedule

#### STATS

30-Sep-25	Truth & Reconciliation
13-Oct-25	Thanksgiving
11-Nov-25	Remembrance Day
16-Feb-26	Family Day
03-Apr-26	Good Friday
06-Apr-26	Easter Monday
18-May-26	Victoria Day

#### PRO D days

10-Oct-25	School Growth
24-Oct-25	Province wide
10-Nov-25	School based
27-Jan-26	District based
13-Feb-26	School based
13-May-26	District based

#### Informal Learning Updates

16-Oct-25
05-Feb-26

#### Written Learning Updates

04-Dec-25
05-Mar-26

#### Summary of Learning

24-Jun-26
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#### CATS Rotations (Day 1/Day 2)

Rotation 1 -	Sep 4-Nov 6/Sep 5-Nov 7
Rotation 2 -	Nov 13-Jan 22/Nov 8-Jan 21
Rotation 3 -	Jan 24-Apr 9/Jan 23-Apr 10
Rotation 4 -	Apr 11-Jun 20/Apr 15-Jun 20

#### JUNE SCHEDULE

15-Jun-26	AA/BB
16-Jun-26	EE/FF
17-Jun-26	CC/DD
18-Jun-26	GG/HH
22-Jun-26	Flex Day
23-Jun-26	Day 1 "IE" day
24-Jun-26	Day 2 "IE" day
25-Jun-26	Admin day

#### GRAD DATES


6-Jun-26	Grad Banquet
June 6-7, 26	Dry Grad
9-Jun-26	Grad Ceremony

**\*\*Fridays are rotating days, please see our [website calendar](#)**



## Bell Schedule 2025-26 (FOR PRINTING)

### WESTVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL 25-26

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY __
8:30am to 9:40am	Block A	Block E	Block C	Block G	Block __
9:45am to 10:25am	<b>FLEX</b>	<b>FLEX</b>	<b>FLEX</b>	<b>FLEX</b>	<b>ADVISORY</b>
10:30am to 11:40am	Block B	Block F	Block D	Block H	Block __
11:40 am to 12:15pm	<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>
12:20pm to 1:30pm	Block C	Block G	Block A	Block E	Block __
1:35pm to 2:45pm	Block D	Block H	Block B	Block F	Block __



## WSS & District Calendar 2025-26 (FOR PRINTING)



### 2025 - 2026 District & Westview School Calendar



Schools opening day for students	Tuesday, September 2, 2025
School Photos	Wednesday, September 10, 2025
National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	Tuesday, September 30, 2025
Late Start #1 (Day 4)	Thursday, October 9, 2025
Non-instructional day (School Growth Planning Day)	Friday, October 10, 2025
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, October 13, 2025
Photo Retakes	Tuesday, October 14, 2025
Informal Learning updates (Student Led Conferences)	Thursday, October 16, 2025
Non-instructional day (province wide)	Friday, October 24, 2025
Graduation Assessments (Literacy & Numeracy)	Monday, Oct 27, 2025 to Friday, Oct 31, 2025
Grad Photos	Monday, Nov 3, 2025 - Friday, Nov 7, 2025
Non-instructional Day (school based)	Monday, November 10, 2025
Remembrance Day	Tuesday, November 11, 2025
Late Start #2 (Day 4)	Friday, November 21, 2025
Written Learning updates published	Thursday, December 4, 2025
Grad Photo Retakes	Tuesday, Dec 16, 2025
Schools close for Winter break	Monday, December 22, 2025 to Friday, January 2, 2026
Schools reopen after Winter break	Monday, January 5, 2026
Late Start #3 (Day 2)	Friday, January 16, 2026
Graduation Assessments (Literacy & Numeracy)	Monday, Jan 12, 2026 to Friday, Jan 23, 2026
Non-instructional Day (district based)	Tuesday, January 27, 2026
Informal Learning updates (Student Led Conferences)	Thursday, February 5, 2026
Non-instructional Day (school based)	Friday, February 13, 2026
Family Day	Monday, February 16, 2026
Late Start #4 (Day 2)	Friday, February 27, 2026
Written Learning updates published	Thursday, March 5, 2026
Spring Break	Monday, March 16, 2026 to Friday, March 20, 2026
Schools not in session	Monday, March 23, 2026 to Friday, March 27, 2026
Schools reopen after break	Monday, March 30, 2026
Good Friday	Friday, April 3, 2026
Easter Monday	Monday, April 6, 2026
Graduation Assessments (Literacy & Numeracy)	Monday, April 20, 2026 to Friday, April 24, 2026
Late Start #5 (Day 4)	Friday, April 24, 2026
Non-instructional Day (district based)	Wednesday, May 13, 2026
Late Start #6 (no schedule at this time)	Friday, May 16, 2026
Victoria Day	Monday, May 18, 2026
Graduation Assessments (Literacy & Numeracy)	Monday, June 8, 2026 to Friday, June 19, 2026
Grad Banquet	Saturday, June 6, 2026
Dry Grad Event	Saturday, June 6, 2026 - Sunday, June 7, 2026
Grad Ceremony	Tuesday, June 9, 2026
Assessment Week	June 15-19, 2026
Flex Learning Day for students	Monday, June 22, 2026
"IE" Day #1 for students	Tuesday, June 23, 2026
"IE" Day #2 for students	Wednesday, June 24, 2026
Summary of Learning published	Wednesday, June 24, 2026
Last Day for students	Wednesday, June 24, 2026
Year-end Administrative Day (Schools close for Summer Break)	Thursday, June 25, 2026
*SECONDARY (8-12) DAILY SCHEDULE: 8:30am to 2:45pm. 320 instructional minutes per day; 179 days of instruction 952 hours of instruction for students in grades 8-12	