



# Williams Lake Campus

## Lake City Secondary

### January 2023 Newsletter

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***"Happy New Year"***

#### Important Dates

Jan. 9 - Return from Winter Break  
Jan. 11- Grad Photos  
Jan. 17  
Jan. 16 PAC Meeting  
Jan. 23 Dry Grad Meeting  
Jan. 23 – Prov. Assessments  
Jan. 27  
Jan. 27 Last day Semester 1  
Jan. 30 Semester 2 Begins  
Feb. 13- Grad Photo Re-Takes  
Feb. 14  
Feb. 17 Pro-D Day  
Feb. 20 Family Day (No School)  
Feb. 21 Safer Schools Presentation

**Semester 1** – Last day of classes for Semester 1 is Friday Jan. 27. Please ensure all assignments and homework are complete before the last day. If you have concerns or questions, please contact teachers directly via email or phone the school at 250-292-6284. Course failures at the Grade 10-12 level may have an impact on graduation eligibility. Report cards will be heading home early February.

Semester 2 starts Monday Jan. 30 so please see counselors if timetable changes are needed.

**Grad Photos** – Are taking place Jan. 11 to Jan. 17. All grads should have already signed up for a time but if not please go to the Career Centre. Photos will take place in the Drama room, so students are asked to enter through the downstairs doors.



**Safer Schools Together Presentation** – Safer Schools will be hosting a presentation for parents on Feb. 21 (time TBD). Information on Social Media use, Cyber Bullying and Digital Citizenship will be the focus.

**Affordability Fund** - Many families at our school are feeling the effects of inflation on daily costs. If you are a family that would like assistance with groceries, clothing or other expenses to support your child/children, please contact the school. The government is supporting schools, to support our families who are having a tough time financially. Please be assured that confidentiality will be kept.

**2023 Graduates!** - Please ensure that you check in with Ms. Nowotny and Ms. Palmer at the Career Centre to ensure that all your graduation requirements are being met, as well as your work experience and CLC course work. For all other graduation requirement questions please see Mrs. Caddy or Mr. Julius in the counseling office.

**Mailing Addresses:** Grads – please make sure you have an up-to-date mailing address for the office as all diplomas will be mailed to your mailing address on file.

**Scholarships** – Deadline to apply for Scholarships is **Feb. 8**. Any students needing scholarship information please visit <https://jeannettegobolos.wixsite.com/jeannette-gobolos> , or go visit Ms. Gobolos in Room 110 for an in-person discussion.

**Dry Grad 2023** – This year's dry grad committee is meeting monthly and is still looking for lots of volunteers to help plan and hold an amazing dry grad event for the grads of 2023! Next meeting is **Monday January 23** at 7pm in the WL Commons. This years Grad Ceremony is planned for Friday June 9<sup>th</sup> with Dry Grad taking place on Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup>.



**Student Learning Survey** - The Satisfaction Survey is an annual province-wide census of Grades 7, 10 and 12 students, their parents and staff in public schools. The questions were developed with input from partner groups, teachers and experts in educational measurement and special education. It usually takes about 15 minutes to complete the survey. Electronic surveying is available until April 29, 2022. The website to access the electronic survey is:

[http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\\_survey/access.htm](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm)

Parents can access the survey in the parent section. Different language options are available. Select - SD #27 - as the District, Select - Lake City Secondary - as the school

**Volunteering at the School** – All volunteers volunteering their time to support school events must have a criminal record check completed before they start helping out. This includes driving students, dry grad, coaching, helping in a classroom, etc. To apply online go to the link below and enter the password:

Online Link: <https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck>

Williams Lake Campus Access Code: **3RMX4S4KYY**

**Parent Advisory Council:** A strong relationship between the school and parents is very important in a child's education, and one way of being involved with the school is to be a member of the PAC. All Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend meetings to hear what is happening at each school.

The PAC is combined for WL and Columneetza and meetings generally take place the third Monday of each month at 6:00pm in the Library.

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm – WL Library**



**Attendance & Success:** There is a direct correlation between student attendance and success. Please talk to your child about attending regularly and staying caught up with homework and assignments. If your child is struggling with attendance and/or falling behind, please contact their teacher directly at any time.

**School Messenger** - LCSS is using School Messenger automatic callout module. The program is linked to MyEd BC and sends out emails, phone calls and messages to parents whose children did not go to class for that morning or afternoon (unexcused absence). Parents can respond in kind to the message indicating that the child is ill etc. The system also allows parents to indicate that their child will be away for the day by calling 1 (833) 582-6944, using the phone app, website login or calling the school. <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>

