

BROOKS BROADCAST



STUDENT WEEKLY MEMO:

September 10, 2020

DATES TO NOTE THIS WEEK

Thursday, September 10, 2020

Grade 8, 9s in session from 9:00am – 10:00am

Grade 10, 11, 12s in session from 10:30am – 11:30am

Friday, September 11, 2020

First full day of school

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I'd like to welcome everyone back from summer to school. My hope is that you've had a great summer break that taken time to enjoy the wonderful area and community that we live in and also be fully recharged for the start of the new school year. I recognize that many of you are feeling nervous, anxious, and likely have questions about what is school really going to look like. We've all heard many things but the one consistent message is that school will not be the same it used to be. This is true and we know that it is something to look forward to. Along with the changes please know that we have put in processes and plans to make sure everyone is safe. I look forward to welcoming you back at school starting tomorrow. Take care.

RE-START 2020

What to expect for the first days of school:

- All students need to bring their own water bottle. The water fill stations are working but the fountains are not.
- Follow all hand hygiene protocols when entering the building and each classroom. We have differing entrances based on the Grades of the students and these are noted on all the doors.
- Make sure that you've picked up your bus pass from the school board office. Brooks does not have these in our office.

DAILY HEALTH CHECKS

Here's the poster of what to look for in your daily health checks at home before coming to school:

<https://www.sd47.bc.ca/Documents/Know%20the%20symptoms.pdf>.

BELL SCHEDULE



Grades 10 – 12 to be schedule as follows:

Period 1: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm (120 minutes)

Lunch 12:30 pm – 1:10 pm (40 minutes)

Period 2: 1:10 pm – 3:20 pm (130 minutes)

Grade 8,9 schedule is as follows

Session 1: 9:00 am - 10:20 am (80 minutes)

Break 10:20 am - 10:25 am (5 minutes)

Session 2: 10:25 am - 11:45 am (80 minutes)

Lunch 11:45 am - 12:25 pm (40 minutes)

Session 3: 12:25 pm - 1:45 pm (80 minutes)

Break 1:45 pm - 1:50 pm (5 minutes)

Session 4: 1:50 pm – 3:10 pm (80 minutes)

IMPORTANT LINKS

BC Centre for Disease Control :

http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/COVID_public_guidance/Guidance-k-12-schools.pdf

MyEdBC Online Tutorials & FAQ: <https://bit.ly/2IVj1Iy>

MyEdBC Email Support: parentsupport@sd47.bc.ca

COUNSELLING TEAM BLOG

Please check out the Blog from our counsellors here: <https://brookscounsellingblog.weebly.com/blog>



Home of the Thunderbirds

COURSE INFORMATION: Grades 10,11,12:

<http://www.sd47.bc.ca/school/brooks/About/schedule/Documents/Term%201%20Course%20Selection%20Options%20-%20visual.pdf>

Dual Credit (Trades and Academic courses and programs):

There have been a few changes to our Dual Credit program, the main one being that dual credit trades and academics are ONLY available to non grads. Meaning, dual credit is available to students who have not graduated and have not completed their required Gr 12 elective courses. We are encouraging all students who are interested in dual credit trades to see Mrs. Larkin ASAP. As well, any senior students interested in taking dual credit academics over Semester one or Semester two (these are online) need to sign up prior to Sept 30th, 2020. **Just a reminder that dual credit courses and program give students their Gr 12 elective credits and first year post secondary course credits for free!** Please visit Mrs. Larkin's office or the counselling suite for brochures, more information and application packages. As well, we have updated the Trades and Transitions Dual Credit information on the Brooks website, for a list of course and program offerings as well as all new updates please visit: [Trades and Transitions Dual Credit](#)

Work Experience (WEX12a and WEX 12b)

Work Experience is open to Grade 10 through Grade 12 students who have an interest in pursuing any career field. In Work Experience 12A & 12B, a student spends 100 - 120 hours training at one or more worksites. By doing this, skills are learned and questions are answered before career decisions are made. Students either choose a work experience according to their current career interest or an area of passion. Students work during the school day or after school and weekends. With this, students have the opportunity to work over the course of a term, while earning Gr 12 elective course credits required for graduation. Please find more information on our Brooks website, or by visiting Mr. Palm or one of the counsellors in the counselling suite: [Work Experience](#)

Youth Work in Trades

If you are in Gr 10-12 and working in a paid job that has a certified trades person then you could be earning Gr 11 and 12 elective credit. The Youth Work in Trades Program (YWT) is a career program jointly sponsored by the Ministry of Education and the Industry Training Authority (ITA). YWT allows students to work with apprentices while attending school, earn credit, earn money, and accumulate hours towards trades certification. Please note that if a student completes all four YWT courses, maintains a C+ average in their Gr 12 year, completes 900 hours prior to Dec 31st of the year they turn 19, then they are can earn a \$1000 scholarship (to spend as they please – no parameters). Please see Mr. Palm in the Careers/Counselling suite for more information and to register.

