



# KALAMALKA SECONDARY SCHOOL

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## June Review

Congratulations to our Grad class of 2020. The celebration was unique and memorable. From a socially distant crossing of the stage to a drive in dry grad, our grads were celebrated and appreciated. If your Kal student received an award and has not yet picked it up, the office hours are below. **Report cards are released on MyEd BC. If you need help finding access, please call the office for assistance.**

## Lost and Found

All items in our lost and found will be brought in to the Salvation Army on Thursday, July 9. If you are missing items and want to search the clothing, come in during office hours and report to the office on your way.

## Summer Office Hours

Unless there are any unforeseen circumstances, the office will be open from 9 am to 2:00 pm Monday to Friday on regular working days. The only unscheduled closure known now is July 31, 2020.

## Next year timetable

All grade 12 timetables have been completed for next year. They can be picked up at the office during the hours above. Students entering Grade 9, 10, and 11 can check MyEd BC for timetables on August 28th. Counsellors will be in on August 31<sup>st</sup> through to September 2nd to help with students that would like adjustments. Grade 8 timetables can be picked up on Wednesday, September 2, at our grade 8 BBQ (not sure if it will be a BBQ though).

## Core Competencies

All of our Grade 8 and 9 students currently have My Blueprint folders which is a web based portfolio. Student reflections in this folder are a part of Career Education.

## Other Dates:

- September 2<sup>nd</sup> – 11:30am – Grade 8 School Intro and BBQ
- Grade 8 timetables handed out at this time. Details to be determined and notice of process will be sent to all incoming Grade 8 families.
- September 8 – First Day of classes – 8:30am – 12pm
- Busses run 3 hours early
  - Updates due to Covid-19 will come the week before start up.
- September 16- Fee collection day

## School Inquiry:

*How would student engagement change if technology were employed in content, process, and product?*

Based on Student Surveys, our students continue to feel Technology used in the classroom increases engagement and supports learning with 82% of students agreeing with this Sometimes, Many Times or All of the time. 85% of students felt that technology was available to them Sometimes, Many times and All of the time.

*Research says that student's feel more ownership of their learning if they take the time to reflect and set personalized goals for improvement. How can Kalamalka best facilitate this?*

Staff have begun to focus student reflection on the Core Competencies and Competency Based Assessment. We have also incorporated the Proficiency Scale for Grades 8 and 9. We have begun to have students examine their learning process along with the results. Two questions from our student surveys help us gauge how we are doing with our second Inquiry question. We have begun to show growth in these areas. Percentages based on students feeling that we are doing this sometimes, many times or all of the time. We compared 2019 to 2020 surveys.

*At school, are you helped to understand how you can improve your learning?* (Grade 10: from 68% to 85%...Grade 12 from 67% to 78%)

*At school, are you taught to take ownership or control of your learning?* (Grade 10: from 38% to 52%... Grade 12: from 56% to 63%)

## HAVE A FANTASTIC SUMMER!

### Grad 2021 Highlights:

June 10, 2021- Grad Photo and Rehearsal

June 11, 2021 - GRAD ceremony