

WL SEATON SECONDARY SCHOOL

2701 – 41st Street Vernon, BC V1T 6X3 **www.sd22.bc.ca/seaton/** TELEPHONE (250) 542-3361

Principal: Gus Busenius

Vice Principal: Elizabeth Brown

Counselor: Chris Colclough (A-L) **BYOD**

Seaton Secondary has Wi-Fi that is accessible to students. This comes with a need for student responsibility and respect. This can benefit students in learning how to use electronic platforms that are currently used in Universities and Colleges and allow students to connect with their schoolwork at home and at school. This Wi-Fi is **not** a service for greater cell phone use. We recommend that students use a device with a keyboard. The current expectations for the use of electronics will be reviewed on the first day and in our first assembly.

Counselor: Charlene Lau (M-Z)

Welcome!

Welcome to new families and students. This Summer newsletter will update you on some of the startup procedures and help prepare new and established families for the upcoming year. The custodial crew are well into getting the facility fully prepared for the upcoming year – thanks for your hard work. We look forward to coming back to a shiny facility.

Student Timetables

Students completed the course selections. We have used selections to create the courses offered. Your Seaton student may have selected a course that did not get offered or is in conflict with other requested courses. These students will be programmed into other courses to meet their graduation needs. We do not give spares in the first semester. Second semester spares are given to students in Grade 12 who have the full credits for the year. These students are generally taking a course outside of the timetable and have the extra credits on the year. Thank you Mr. Chris Colclough and Mrs. Charlene Lau for your work in getting timetables ready for our students. Students timetables will be released in MyEd BC on August 22.

The counsellors, Mr. Colclough (A-L) and Mrs. Lau (M-Z) will be available for change requests August 25-29 starting at 8:30am to 3pm. You can make appointments for Chris Colclough by calling the office or emailing colclough@sd22.bc.ca in this week or you can email clau@sd22.bc.ca directly to schedule an appointment. Mrs. Lau also has an online change request form to be used. The link to her online form is:

https://forms.office.com/r/QAT638LDSZ

Grade 8 Introduction

On August 27, at 10:30am, we will be hosting the grade 8 introduction. Grade 8 students are welcomed to the school, given their timetable, locker, and the opportunity to tour the school to find out where their classes are. This introduction will take about an hour. We encourage students to purchase locks from Seaton for \$5 on this day. These will be replaced for free if they malfunction. Students can also pay their student fees on this day.

New Student Registration

New students in our catchment can come in during the week of August 18 – August 22 to register and August 25 - 29. Students in our catchment can still register on Tuesday, September 2, but will not start until a timetable is built. Some new students may be asked to wait until after Friday, September 5 while we determine available class spaces. We are very sorry for the inconvenience and will work hard to ensure all of our students can meet their goals for the 2025/2026 school year.

WL Seaton Secondary Staff to date

We are continuing to work through staffing as we get ready for September. The staff will continuously be updated on the staff directory on the website while the office is open. https://wlseaton.sd22.bc.ca/staff-directory

Day One:

On **Tuesday**, **September 2**, we have a shortened day. All students will start in their Block A class. During the half day, they will go through each class in the first semester and review expectations and supplies required. Please remind your Seaton student to review their class schedule on Myed BC. A printed copy or photo on a phone is very helpful. Students can also pick these up at the office the week before school starts.

8:30am - 9:15am - Block A

9:20am - 10:10am - Block B

10:10am - 10:25am - Break

10:25am - 11:15am - Block C

11:20am – 12:00pm – Block D

Busses will run 3 hours early on this day.

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 3, 4, 5 we will be running through the regular period times but the block order will be A, B, C, D.



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School Photos: September 9

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School Photos are ordered online. A message will be sent home on the week of school photos asking your permission to allow Mountain West to use your email address to send you your proofs and order access number. Please ensure that your contact information is up to date with the school.

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Regular Period Schedule:

Student timetables will be available on MyEd BC on August 22, 2025.

 Period 1
 8:30am - 9:50am

 AM Break
 9:50am - 10:05am

 Period 2
 10:05am - 11:24am

 Lunch
 11:24am - 12:05pm

 Period 3
 12:05pm - 1:25pm

 PM Break
 1:25pm - 1:40pm

 Period 4
 1:40pm - 3:00pm

The block rotation for each week is posted in the office each day.

School Supplies

Students should come to class on opening day prepared to work, with pen/pencil, binder and notepaper.

Teachers will advise students of any special supplies that they will need for their courses. These supplies may include items such as glue sticks, calculators, scissors, felt pens...

September Events:

September 2: School Opens busses run 3 hours early

September 8-12: Grade group Assemblies

September 9: School Photo Day (retakes Oct. 17)

September 10: Parent info night meeting at 6:30pm (gym)

September 16: Student Grad meeting

September 15: First PAC meeting at 6:30pm in the

Learning Commons

September 17: Grad parent meeting – 6:30 pm in the

Learning Commons

September 19: Course change deadline

September 29: Professional Development Day (no school)

September 26: School Orange Shirt Day

September 30: Truth and Reconciliation Day (no school)

Extra Curricular:

The fall season will have both male and female volleyball and cross country running and male Soccer. If you are interested in supporting the Seaton sports program in any way, please contact our Athletic Director, Melaina Ovington. We are always open to support clubs and other activities at the school. If you or your Seaton student has an interest and would like to create a group to pursue this activity, they can work toward getting a staff member to support or contact myself or Mrs. Brown to see if it is something we can support. Clubs and other activities will be announced and posted after week one.

Student Handbook and Code of Conduct:

The student handbook and code of conduct will be sent to all families with the September newsletter. The code of conduct is reviewed with all students in group assemblies and in classes and is also available to review on the website. These will both be reviewed for updates with parents, staff and students during the first two months.

Demographics, Lates and Absences:

If your Seaton student is late or absent, please contact the office at 250-542-3361 or email wlseaton@sd22.bc.ca. This will save us a lot of time tracking students that could otherwise be used to help the learning of our students. Please let the office know of any change in phone numbers, address, or email so that you can stay up to date with the latest at Seaton Secondary.

Grad 2026

We look forward to making this the best year for our 2026 grad students. I will be taking the lead role in making sure this year's grad events are exceptional. This cannot happen without the help of the fantastic parent volunteers. The first parent meeting is on September 16, at 6:30pm in the Seaton Learning Commons (Library).

NEW SCHOOL MOTTO

Our School Motto: Labor Omnia Vincit is overdue for a renewal. We will be encouraging students and families to help us in re-establishing the Seaton motto in the 75th year of WL SEATON SECONDARY.

Transportation-Bus Information

If your child uses the school district bus service they must be registered with the Transportation Department. You can find the registration form and bus route information on the following website.

http://www.sd22.bc.ca

Please advise your children to look for this Route Number and not for the bus number to identify their bus.