



FRANCES KELSEY SECONDARY SCHOOL

Welcome to the 2024-25 School Year!

To those of you who are already part of our school, welcome back! To those parents, guardians and students who are joining our community, we look forward to getting to know you!

Welcome WHAT TO EXPECT...

Tuesday, September 3rd (2-hour early dismissal at 1:15 PM) - **Grade 8 ONLY.**

- Grade 8s meet in the gym at 9:00 AM
- Please note that busses will be running at 1:15. ***It is very important that you share with your student their afternoon bus number please.***

Wednesday, September 4th - First regular day of classes for **ALL** students.

- All students will go to Advisory (advisor lists will be posted in the dome / foyer).
- Gr. 8s will be called to the gym for an assembly.
- There will be a school BBQ for all students and staff at lunch.
- A mini run through of the timetable will happen in the afternoon.

GENERAL INFORMATION...

Counsellors: A – L: [Ms. Kirchner](#) (M, T, W morning)
 A - L: [Nic Schofield](#) (W afternoon, Th, Fr)
 M – Z: [Robbie Wright](#)

Advisors: Teacher advisors are the first point of contact for students and parents; you are encouraged to maintain a connection throughout the year.

Course Changes: There will be no course changes during the first week of school. Any changes will be made through counsellors.

Staff Contact Information: Staff emails are on our website www.fkss.sd79.bc.ca

Yearbooks: Yearbooks can be purchased early for a reduced price. Yearbooks can be purchased online.

Photographs: Lifetouch Photography will be here Tuesday, September 10th for both the yearbook and personal photos. This photo is also for the student I.D. card.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES...



Students should have the following basic supplies; they will be advised of any additional requirements by subject teachers.

- 10-12 pencils and blue or black pens, 1 pair of scissors, an eraser, ruler, fine tip black felt pen, 3 highlighters of different colours, lined paper, pencil crayons, scientific calculator (for grades 10-12), 3 ring binder(s) to hold 4 subjects, a 32 page scribbler lined notebook journal for English, PE strip, a reusable water bottle

SCHOOL FEES...

Student Activity Fees: Students are charged a yearly \$25 fee that helps defray the costs of:

Guest presentations, school events, special assemblies, intramurals, and agenda books.

Textbook Deposit: A one-time \$25 deposit is charged to all Gr. 8 students and any new students. If no books are lost or damaged, this deposit will be returned when the student leaves Kelsey, or it will offset the cost graduation expenses.

We encourage you to register for School Cash Online so that all fees can be paid online.

<https://sd79.schoolcashionline.com/>

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE...

If you haven't already done so, please follow these instructions to create your School Cash Online account any time after **August 30th**. It is a parent portal that offers a safe, fast and convenient way to pay for school fees, yearbook, Kelsey gear, Kafé cards, and field trips. You can pay with credit card or echeque. Please note that this is the preferred method of payment.

1. Create your profile: <https://sd79.schoolcashionline.com/> and click on "Get Started Today"
2. Confirm your Email: Check your inbox for the email confirmation and click on the link inside. Sign in with your new login details. Stay connected by selecting "Yes" to email notifications about upcoming fees.
3. Add a Student: Click "Add Student" and fill in the required fields with your student's details.

SCHOOL BUSES...



You must register each year for the bus. If you haven't already done so, an online fillable registration and printable form can be found at www.sd79.bc.ca/transportation. If you have any questions, please contact the transportation Registration Clerk at busregsitration@sd79.bc.ca or call 250-748-1066 ext 276.

NEW TO THE SCHOOL?

Find a virtual tour here

<https://fkss.sd79.bc.ca/grade-7-transition/>