



Vancouver Technical Secondary School

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Principal's Message

August 2017

Dear Parents, Guardians and Grade 8 students:

Welcome to Vancouver Technical! We are looking forward to meeting you on Tuesday, September 5th for our Grade 8 orientation! Members of the Community Schools Team, Youth Workers from Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House and our student leaders have worked hard to organize an orientation day filled with fun activities for you. You will also have an opportunity to meet members of our school staff including your grade counsellor Mr. Price.

On Tuesday, you will meet in the large gym at 10:00am and dismissal time will be 2:30pm. A pizza lunch will be provided for all Grade 8s — hopefully you like pizza. Student leaders will give you a tour of the school and accompany you to your homeroom class where you will receive your schedule for the year.

There are always questions regarding school supplies — do not bring any school supplies to school on Tuesday, September 5th. However, beginning Wednesday, September 6th, students are encouraged to bring two 3-ring binders—one for Day 1 and one for Day 2, dividers for your binders, paper, pens and pencils. From here teachers will let you know whether or not they require additional supplies. All grade 8s require two combination locks—one for their locker and one for PE class. The locks can be purchased in the main office at a cost of \$10.00 each. We do recommend that the students purchase locks from us, as they have security shields built in. School fees can be paid through our online payment system.

We look forward to getting to know you, members of our parent community and our new grade 8 class. Grade 8 Parent/Guardians are invited to attend a Grade 8 Family Welcome at 6:00pm on Monday, September 25th and our first PAC meeting at 7:00pm, in the Staff Cafeteria.

Yours sincerely,

Annette Vey-Chilton
Principal

OPENING WEEK SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, September 5th, 2017

Students report to the auditorium during the designated times below:
Grade 8 students meet BASE leaders at 10:00 am in the gymnasium.

Grade 8 students	1:00pm
GRADE 9 students	9:00am
GRADE 10 students	10:00am
GRADE 11 students	11:00am
GRADE 12 students	12:00pm

Students will begin regular classes on Wednesday, September 6th and Thursday, September 7th with an adjusted bell schedule (see below)

Wednesday, September 6th (DAY 1) and Thursday, September 7th (DAY 2)

HOMEROOM	08:40am—10:00am
Period 1	10:10am—10:50am
Period 2	10:55am—11:35am
Lunch	11:35am—12:20pm
Period 3	12:20pm—1:00pm
Period 4	1:05pm—1:45pm
<i>*1:45pm-3:03pm Department Planning Time</i>	

Friday, September 8th (DAY 1)

Period 1	08:40am—10:00am
Break	10:00am—10:15am
Period 2	10:15am—11:35am
Lunch	11:35am—12:20pm
Period 3	12:20pm—1:40pm
Period 4	1:45pm—3:03pm

OPENING PRODEDURES

Homeroom classes will receive:

- Timetables
- Student agenda book
- Go Card & Photo information
- School Fee Schedules—see next page for on-line payment procedures

Students must complete and return by September 7th:

- Media consent & CASL consent forms
- Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement (new students only)
- Student Verification Form
- Other important information

IF you are not here, you may lose your timetable. Students MUST be present at school to retain their requested classes.

VANCOUVER TECHNICAL SECONDARY SCHOOL

Our School is Online with School-Day for General Fee Payments!

We're excited to announce that our school is now using School-Day, an online portal that will allow parents to view and pay General School Fees, including Student Fees, Yearbooks, Locks and Graduation Fees online.

NOTE: SCHOOL DAY WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PAYMENTS BEGINNING SEPT 5, 2017 AT 9:00 AM

School-Day can be accessed from any web browser and gives you real-time access to up-to-date information, and the ability to:

- Complete instant online payments
- View history of previous payments
- View amounts still owing for General School Fees
- Pay using debit or credit on the secure website

Please help us improve our communications and reduce the amount of paper our school uses by registering for School-Day today. **DURING THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF SCHOOL, ONLY ON-LINE PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR GENERAL SCHOOL FEES. IF YOU CANNOT PAY USING SCHOOL-DAY, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTANT. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO TRY PAYING ONLINE WITH SCHOOL-DAY.**

Joining School-Day is Simple.

Visit our website www.vantech.vsb.bc.ca and click on the School-Day link or visit www.school-day.com and click 'Log In' and then 'Register'. Once you've created a School-Day account you will need to add your student's information:

If you would like more information about School-Day, please visit their website at **www.school-day.com**

For detailed user guides, FAQs and any additional help with the system, visit **www.school-day.com/support**

For any additional questions, please contact School-Day at **info@school-day.com** or call toll free **1.855.253.1731**

Click 'Add a Child to your Account' and select the 'Electronic Authentication' link. Register your child electronically by filling in their unique student information. You must complete all fields:

School Name

Student's Full Name

Student's Date of Birth

Pupil Number – Your student's pupil Number as found on their school timetable document

Student's Current Grade

Once complete, click 'Register' and you will have access to your child's school information. Please Note: Your child must be currently enrolled in a school to join School-Day. If your child is not currently enrolled, you will need to contact your School Administrator.

PAC Meeting Dates for 2017-2018

Mark these dates on your calendar:

Monday, September 25

Monday, October 30

Monday, November 27

Monday, January 22

Monday, February 26

Monday, April 30

Monday, May 28 AGM

Meetings are held in the Staff Dining Room at 7pm

Save the Date!

Parent—Teacher Conferences

Thursday, November 9th

2:30-3:30pm

5:30-7:30pm

Conference information will be posted on our website at a later date...

Daily Bell Schedule

	Start time	End Time	Minutes
Period 1	8:40am	10:00am	80
Break	10:00am	10:15am	15
Period 2	10:15am	11:35am	80
Lunch	11:35am	12:20pm	45
Period 3	12:20pm	1:40pm	80
Period 4	1:45pm	3:03pm	78
Total minutes of instructional time per day:			318

Collaborative Day Bell Schedule

	Start time	End Time	Minutes
Tutorial Time	8:40am	10:00am	80
Period 1	10:10am	10:50am	40
Period 2	10:55am	11:35am	40
Lunch	11:35am	12:20pm	45
Period 3	12:20pm	1:00pm	40
Period 4	1:05pm	1:45pm	40
Collaborative	1:45pm	3:03pm	78
Total minutes of instructional time per day:			318

Meet your new Grade 8 Counsellor—Mr. Price

Welcome back to school!

It is a big change and an exciting time for our Grade 8's, and I'm excited to be a part of it, and there to help along the way.

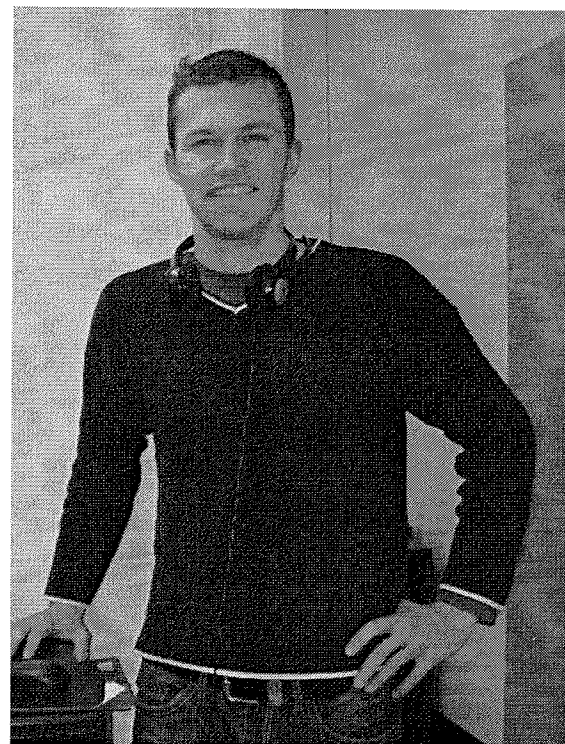
I am excited to join the Van Tech community this 2017-18 school year. I have taught at both the elementary and secondary levels in Vancouver and Surrey over the past few years and I am a recent graduate of Simon Fraser University's Counselling Program. I am passionate about supporting students and families in need and put a strong emphasis on working collaboratively for positive student outcomes.

When I'm not at "Tech," I like to enjoy time with friends and family, I love music and I love sports and the outdoors. I am also a pretty big Canucks fan.

My priorities for this school year are to build relationships with youth and families. I hope to meet you all! Another priority for me is on emphasizing health and fun at school and I look forward to working with clubs and sports teams around this.

To stay up to date with important events or info throughout the school year, please join my texting notifications (see below). I very much look forward to meeting and working with everyone this school year.

To sign up for important text or email notifications send a text message to 226-887-0825 (Canadian Number) with a message that only says @grad2022 or send a blank email to grad2022@mail.remind.com



SCHOOL GO CARDS & PHOTOGRAPHS

The photographer will be at Vancouver Technical on Friday, September 15th to take each student's picture for the Student Identification/Go Card. The cost for this service is included in the General School Fee.

The photographer also offers a variety of packages available for purchase. Students who wish to purchase photo packages must bring their money (by cheque or exact change in cash) to the photographer on September 15th.

Cheques can be made payable to: ARTONA STUDIOS.

Re-takes will be held on Wednesday, October 11th. For information on how to prepare for your school photo day, check out the Artona website at: <http://www.artonagroup.com>

2017—2018 Student Council

Co-Presidents:

Terisa Dang & Sakura Kubota

**Elections for Student Council
Executive positions and Grade
Reps will be held in September**

ONLINE LOCKER DISTRIBUTION

Locker Assignment

LOGIN HELP

Welcome to the on-line locker management system for Vancouver Technical Secondary.

Student accounts have been created for access to the system. Your student number is your user id and your birthdate is your password. The format of the password is YYYYMMDD, so if you were born Jan 1, 2000, your password would be '20000101'.

Login

Student Number:

Password:

Remember Login: ☐

Login

1. Go to: <http://vantech.lockerassignment.com>

A) Enter your student number

B) Enter your password—your password is your birthdate (YYYYMMDD)

2. Change your password
3. Select a zone

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Select a "zone" below to begin

First Floor

Second Floor

Music

Tech Wing

Third Floor

Fourth Floor

4. Select an available locker from list. If you don't see a locker that you want, you can click View All Zones to select a locker in a different area.

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View All Zones

Tech Wing

Locker Number	Type	Capacity	Students	Status
6000	Full Height	2	0	Selected
6001	Full Height	2	0	Selected
6002	Full Height	2	0	Selected
6003	Full Height	2	0	Selected
6004	Full Height	2	0	Selected
6005	Full Height	2	0	Selected

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Confirm locker selection

Zone: Tech Wing
Locker Number: 6008

OK

5. **Confirm** your selection **NOTE – once you select, you cannot change lockers**

6. **Logout**

7. Go to your locker and put a lock on it ASAP. If you don't have a lock, you can purchase one in the office.

Important Information:

- Mr. Godfrey is the Administrator contact for any issues regarding lockers
- Don't locker squat – if you choose a locker before registering online, your lock will be cut and the contents stored in the office
- All lockers can be shared
- Distribution times – registration is open:
 - Gr 8 – during orientation on the first day back
 - Gr 12's (purchased ticket from Grad Committee) – after assembly on first day
 - Gr 12's and Gr 9's – first day of home rooms
 - Gr 10's and 11's – second day of home rooms—because lockers will have been chosen on previous days, you'll have to share

VANCOUVER TECHNICAL SECONDARY SCHOOL

Standardized General School Fee Schedule

School Year: 2017 -2018

Fee Type	Gr. 8	Gr. 9	Gr. 10	Gr. 11	Gr. 12
<i>Student Agenda Book</i>	\$9.00	\$9.00	\$9.00	\$9.00	\$9.00
<i>Student Activities/Student Leadership</i>	\$21.00	\$21.00	\$21.00	\$21.00	\$21.00
Includes: intramurals, clubs, student welcome events, social responsibility activities, and student council initiatives.					
Total	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00

Optional Fees	Gr. 8	Gr. 9	Gr. 10	Gr. 11	Gr. 12
<i>Yearbook-not required</i>	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00
<i>Locks</i>	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Grad—Valedictory Fee					\$85.00
Valedictory Fee includes: grad cap, gown and stole; tickets and programs; facility rental; and photographs.					

Mini School Fees

Flex Humanities	Gr. 8	Gr. 9	Gr. 10	Gr. 11	Gr. 12
Camp - Loon Lake UBC Research Forest	\$210.00	\$210.00	\$210.00		
Additional Activity and Program Costs	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00		
Total:	\$260.00	\$260.00	\$260.00		

Fee includes: fieldtrips, media supplies, equipment requests and special events. Costs determined by a Student Finance Committee at each grade, overseen by parents and teachers.

Summit	Gr. 8	Gr. 9	Gr. 10	Gr. 11	Gr. 12
Timberline Ranch Camp	\$240.00	\$240.00	\$240.00		
Bard on the Beach Fieldtrip	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00		
Fort Langley Fieldtrip		\$35.00			
Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Trip			\$70.00		
Hobbit Banquet	\$5.00				
Additional Activity and Program Costs	\$35.00	\$20.00	\$15.00		
TOTAL:	\$300.00	\$315.00	\$345.00		

Financial Hardship Policy

The Board of Education Trustees is committed to ensuring that no school-age student will be denied an opportunity to participate in a course, class or program because of an inability to pay fees. Parents and guardians unable to pay some or all of school fee are invited to speak to their child's teacher, school counsellor, and/or the school Principal.

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Standard Supplemental Fee Schedule

School Year: 2017 - 2018

Course	Supplemental Fee / Description	
ART		
Art 8	\$10.00	sketchbook
Art 9	\$25.00	optional enhanced supplies
Art 10	\$25.00	optional enhanced supplies
Art 11	\$30.00	optional enhanced supplies
Art 12	\$30.00	optional enhanced supplies
Art Careers/Advanced Art/Art Portfolio	\$35.00	optional enhanced supplies
AP Art	\$35.00	optional enhanced supplies, AP exam
Graphics 10	\$25.00	optional enhanced supplies
Graphics 11	\$30.00	optional enhanced supplies
Graphics 12	\$30.00	optional enhanced supplies
PHOTOGRAPHY		
Photography 11	\$35.00	photo paper beyond the basic requirements
Photography 12	\$35.00	photo paper beyond the basic requirements
N.B. Inclusive of digital and traditional photo courses.		
HOME ECONOMICS		
Foods 9	\$15.00	better ingredients, more labs
Foods 10	\$35.00	better ingredients, more labs
Foods 11/12	\$45.00	better ingredients, more labs
Clothing & Textiles 9, 10, & 11	No fee -- supplemental cost based on individual projects	
Fashion Design 12	No fee -- supplemental cost based on individual projects	
Cafeteria Training	\$20.00 -- Food Safe Certificate	
MUSIC		
Music 9-12 (Band & Choir)	No fee -- deposits may be collected for uniforms, sheet music, rentals	
TECHNICAL STUDIES		
Tech Ed 8	\$5.00	
All Courses 9 - 12	No fee -- supplemental cost based on individual projects -- deposits may be collected for safety glasses, coveralls	
PHYSICAL EDUCATION		
All Courses	No fee -- may charge for optional activities	
PE 11/12: Outdoor Education	Estimated cost for this program (including equipment rental, activities and fieldtrips) is \$500. Students are responsible for \$350 and fundraising.	

AP Courses	\$140 Exam Fee (may change due to USD exchange rate)
Certification Programs	Fees may be charged for optional certification programs (ie: SuperHost, FoodSafe, Quantum, First Responders, CPR, etc...)
Optional Fieldtrips/Activities	Fees may be charged
Refundable Workbook Deposits	Some courses provide workbooks that students may purchase to use and keep or rent (money will be refunded at the end of the year provided the workbooks are in original condition with no markings).
Extracurricular Athletics	Fees are charged to cover costs of uniforms, referees, and equipment. Fees are only charged to those who participate.

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Calendar of Events



Tues	Sep 5	Welcome Back! Grade Assemblies (see schedule on page 2)
	Sep 14-15	Duke of Ed Bronze Hike
Fri	Sep 15	Photo Day
	Sep 20-22	Duke of Ed Silver Hike
Thurs	Sep 21	French Immersion Grade 8 Potluck; Leadership 11/12 UBC ropes
Fri	Sep 22	Pro—D Day (classes not in session)
Mon	Sep 25	Student Council Elections; Indigenous Family Welcome 5pm; Gr 8 Family Welcome 6pm; PAC Meeting 7pm
Tues	Sep 26	FlexHum Potluck
	Sep 27-29	Summit Timberline Camp
Fri	Sep 29	PE 11/12 Golf

2017—2018

Administration:

Ms. A. Vey-Chilton, Principal, Grade 10
Ms. K. Coflin, Vice-Principal, Grades 9 & 11
Mr. P. Godfrey, Vice-Principal, Grades 8 & 12

Counsellors:

Mr. T. Price, Grade 8
Mr. N. van Iersel, Grade 9
Ms. C. McGillivray, Grade 10
Mr. A. Cuerrier, Grade 11
Mr. B. Niek, Grade 12

Van Tech Parent Advisory Council (PAC):

Executive: Ele Cavallin
Treasurer: Sharon Henderson
Secretary: Ginny Cobbin

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