

LANGLEY FUNDAMENTAL

MIDDLE & SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Upcoming Dates

Hello LFMSS Families:

Please have a read about some important items that are happening at LFMSS and resources offered by the District.

LFMSS Open House and Grad Information Session

Thank you to everyone who joined us last night for either the Open House and/or the Grad Information Session. Both events were well attended and it was wonderful to meet many new families as well as see lots of familiar faces. The powerpoint from the Grad Information Session has been posted on our website (for those who would like to review it or for those who could not make the session).

Please Stay Connected!

Please stay connected to our school through our Instagram account and our LFMSS website. Our PAC also has a Facebook page and it is a great way to connect and get involved with the parent community. Please contact the PAC Executive if you have questions about Dry Grad.

Great news! Our year-long LFMSS community calendar is now accessible on our school website. Please refer to this calendar regularly as important dates and events will continue to be posted throughout the school year.

Traffic and Pedestrian Safety

This is a reminder to both our LFMSS students and parents to be extra cautious during drop off and pick up times. Thank you to our Crosswalk SEA's for keeping our students safe as they travel through our intersection. We continue to remind our students about pedestrian and driving safety.

Athletics and Musical Theatre

Our Grade 8-12 volleyball teams, Senior Boys' Soccer and cross-country (all grades) are starting up their seasons. Thank you to our dedicated LFMSS and community coaches who are

Sept. 26 Orange Shirt and Truth & Reconciliation Acknowledgement

Sept. 29 School Improvement Day Students not in session

Sept. 30 National Day for Truth & Reconciliation - School Closed

Please visit <u>www.lfmss.sd35.bc.ca</u> for the most up to ate calendar of events.



working with our young athletes. Musical Theatre auditions are well underway and there is definitely a lot of excitement about our "Little Mermaid" musical that will be happening in April 2026.

I wish all LFMSS families a wonderful weekend.

Sincerely,

Ms. Carla Clapton Principal

Student Fees

We continue to offer **School Cash Online**, which provides you with the convenience of paying online for the Student Activity Fee, Grad Ceremony Fee, Yearbook Orders and PAC donation. We are asking all LFMSS families to pay their school fees using our School Cash online system. Parents who are not able to pay online can pay at the office. **Please refer to the next page or our** school website for School Cash Online payment instructions.

Student Activity Fees 2025/2026 \$ 30.00 (Mandatory)

• The Student Activity Fee helps fund planned activities for LFMSS students such as guest speakers, school spirit days, special events, student agendas, & student leadership initiatives.

<u>Yearbook 2025/2026</u> \$ 60.00 (Optional)

• Yearbooks are optional and can be ordered by prepayment online. Price increases to \$65.00 after October 31, 2025. Orders will be placed in early January 2025, so parents are encouraged to prepay to reserve your copy by early January 2025. Reminder to parents that student fees must be paid, and library materials returned to receive their yearbook at the end of the school year.

Grad Ceremony Fee 2025/2026 \$80.00

• The Grad Ceremony Fee includes Cap & Gown, Grad Class Photo & Folder and is payable by all Grads of 2026)

PAC Fundraising 2025/2026 \$ 50.00

• Our PAC promotes a \$ 50.00 donation and therefore limits year-long fundraising projects. This money goes into a PAC supervised account and is given back to the school in support of classroom instruction, student events, athletics, fine arts, and other electives. This payment can be made online using **School Cash Online** but if you are paying by cheque please make it payable to **LFMSS PAC** and drop it off at the office.

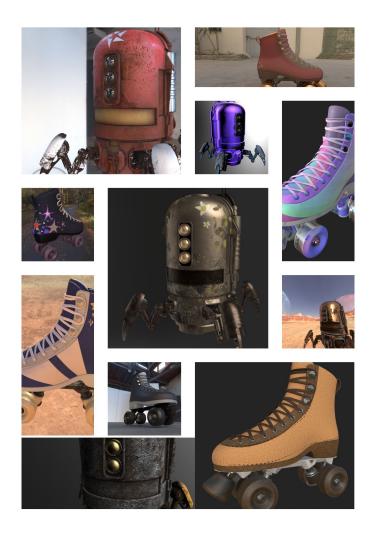
What's Happening Around the School

Cops for Cancer arrived at school this week.





 $Computer\ studies\ 11/12 \\ Students\ have\ been\ exploring\ texture\ layering\ and\ rendering\ models\ with\ effects.$



Students in Physical Geography 12 are learning about waste in the environment and had a chance to clean up their school neighborhood.





Fundraising Information

Fundy parents,

My name is Sunny Choung, and I am the Fundraising Coordinator at LFMSS.

I am currently working on organizing our first LFMSS Golf Tournament Fundraiser Event to raise funds in support of our school programs.

To help us plan effectively, we would greatly appreciate your input through a short survey. Your participation will provide valuable insights and help us gauge interest and support for this event.

Would you be willing to participate in the survey?

Thank you for your time and support!

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8Z828JL

Titans Music

<u>Please see important information below for how you can not only get tickets for a Vancouver Giants game but support our music program in the process!</u>

We're excited to once again partner with <u>Thank You for the Music Society</u>, for a fun, local fundraising opportunity to support the LFMSS Music Department and it couldn't be easier!!

Thank You for the Music Society has been chosen as the fundraiser beneficiary for the Vancouver Giants game on October 24th. The Society will receive 50% of the 50/50 draw proceeds from the game and they've generously committed to sharing a portion of those funds with LFMSS. Our school will also receive a percentage of every ticket we sell, **so the more tickets we sell, the more we raise!**

IT GETS BETTER!! The Vancouver Giants have given TYFTM the special responsibility of selecting singers for the National Anthems and we're proud to announce that two SD35 secondary students were chosen, including our very own Annika Nicolle from LFMSS!

Let's show our support for Annika and the entire LFMSS music program with a great turnout at the game!

Instructions:

1) Register for Tickets

Click the link below to request your tickets for the October 24th Vancouver Giants game:

Click Here for all the details and to request your tickets October 24th

2) Choose LFMSS as Your School

In the **School Affiliation** dropdown (option 1), be sure to select:

Langley Fundamental Middle and Secondary School - (LFMSS)

This ensures our school receives credit toward a portion of the fundraiser proceeds!

3) Spread the Word

Encourage your friends and family to register too and remind them to select **LFMSS** as well!

4) Submit the Form

After completing the form, you'll receive a confirmation email from Thank You for the Music Society.

Be sure to check your spam/junk folder just in case.

5) Send Your Payment

E-transfer your payment to:

tyftmsociety@gmail.com



School District News

Emergency Procedures in Schools

Schools follow emergency procedures and practice drills throughout the year to ensure students, staff, and any visitors at our sites are safe when unexpected incidents happen. The District encourages families to become familiar with emergency procedures to help you and your child be prepared. You will find the District's Emergency Procedures poster in schools and on the website **here**.

Community Volunteers in Emergencies

Emergencies can happen unexpectedly due to weather events (e.g., earthquake or flooding) or unforeseen situations in the community. The health and safety of students, staff, and families is the District's priority. The District, together with schools, follow emergency procedures to respond to incidents as well as prevent them from happening. As stated in the provincial **Emergency Management Planning Guide for Schools, Districts and Authorities**, staff have a legal "duty of care," meaning that they "must ensure that students are cared for until such time as they can be safely reunited with their parents." Depending on the situation, the school may be caring for students for many days.

In these circumstances, schools may rely on members of the community to assist with emergency responses. Administrators may send a request to parents/guardians to help volunteer with first aid, facilities and maintenance, safety and security, and general labour. Adults with special skills in health care, policing, and engineering would be an asset in an emergency. No action is needed from families at this time as the purpose is to keep families informed.

Choice Program Applications Open Soon for French Immersion

Did you know there are two options for families looking for French Immersion for their students? Early Immersion starts in Kindergarten and goes to grade 12; the Late Immersion program begins in grade 6. The online registration window **opens October 6 and closes October 20, 2025**. To learn about French Immersion, there is an online information meeting on **October 1**st **at 6 pm**. This features a short presentation about the program and the benefits of learning an additional language, with time for questions.

Here is the link for the online meeting:

Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 248 048 850 522 9

Passcode: P9rc9J9X

More information can also found on the District website:

https://www.sd35.bc.ca/programs-initiatives/programs-of-choice/immersion-programs/

All inquiries can be emailed to languages@sd35.bc.ca.

Volunteer Process Update

As a reminder to all Admin, the District has on its website a Volunteers page (under the **Community** top tab) that schools should direct all volunteers to for general information, training tools, and application information. Included in this is the process to apply for a Criminal Record Check (PIC/CRC). Below is a summary of what you need to know:

The District will maintain the website for training/application form, located at:

- https://www.sd35.bc.ca/page/3800/volunteers
- There is no longer a password required.

The website offers **two options** for getting a PIC/CRC (online OR at RCMP detachment/ Community Office).

For volunteers who bring a paper copy of the PIC/CRC to you:

- Keep a copy for your files (as previously)
- Scan a copy and send to HR via: <u>VolunteerCRC@sd35.bc.ca</u>

If they are volunteering at more than one school, please have them share the original with the principal of the 2nd school for their records

For volunteers who have completed an online application, the District receives the results of the PIC/CRC and maintains a spreadsheet, as was done last year. The link is:

CRC Cleared.xlsx

Also, for anyone who would like a template of a volunteer letter, please use the link below to see a copy from ACSS and be sure to download before editing:

Volunteer Letter Template for PIC 2024.docx

Fraser Health Information

<u>September Health Messaging – Fraser Health</u>

As part of its health promotion for students and families, our community partner Fraser Health is sharing important information on various topics. The theme for September is Back to School Health. This information will be shared on the District's social media channels.

Back to School Health Tips (from Fraser Health)

Health, safety, and wellness continue to be a priority in our schools. To help support our students and families, we are sharing important information from our community partner Fraser Health about various topics to keep our students healthy and safe as they return to school. Please see below for helpful reminders to support your child.

Tips for a healthy back to school season

As children head back to school, parents face the familiar challenge of managing busy schedules, school routines and inevitably, health concerns.

Help set the stage for a healthy school year with Fraser Health's **Healthy Back to School Guide**.

Fostering healthy routines for sleep, mealtimes and physical activity can support your child's health and wellness. Learn more at Fraser Health's **School Health** and **Children and Youth** pages.

Staying healthy during the school year isn't just about routines - it's also about protecting children from illnesses that can spread quickly in classrooms. An important preventable illness to be aware of right now is measles, which has been increasing globally, including here in Canada. Symptoms of measles include fever, cough, runny nose and red, inflamed eyes, followed by a rash. The rash usually starts on the face and neck and spreads to the chest, arms and legs.

Get vaccinated against measles

Immunization is the best way to prevent measles infection. Please check that you (if born in or after 1970) and your children have received at least two doses of a measles-containing vaccine. Find out how to check your immunization records **here**.

Measles-containing vaccines are available at many **pharmacy locations**, physician offices and at all **public health units**.

If your children have symptoms of measles, please keep them home.

If you or your child needs urgent care for something like a high fever, please inform your health care provider before you visit so they can take steps to prevent the spread of measles. Wear a mask and avoid using public transportation.

Need general health advice? Fast care for busy families with Fraser Health Virtual Care

Our Fraser Health Virtual Care registered nurses and dietitians have access to your personal health record and provide convenient, fast health advice and information for busy families. With options for phone or web chat consultations, families receive medical advice from nurses with emergency experience, saving time and, in many cases, avoiding unnecessary visits to clinics or emergency

departments. Nurses can connect you directly with a health care provider at an Urgent and Primary Care Centre for various health needs, including questions about measles-like symptoms.

How to reach Fraser Health Virtual Care

- 1. **Dial 1-800-314-0999.** For an interpreter, say your language in English.
- 2. For web chat, go to fraserhealth.ca/virtualcare and click the blue chat bubble in the right corner to start.

Available 10am to 10pm, seven days a week including statutory holidays (after hours Call 8-1-1). Learn more about Fraser Health Virtual Care, other care options and more at:

Fraserhealth.ca/VirtualCare

Careers

Class of 2026

For more information on scholarships and post-secondary information, please check out the Grads 2026 TEAMS or contact Ms. Brown.

Grief and Loss Training Program

This is an excellent training program for someone who wants work in a job that involves helping people. i.e.: Teacher, Nurse, Social worker, Physician, Counsellor, Emergency services worker, and other For more information and application, please contact Ms. Brown Application deadline Wednesday Sep 24, 2025

Does the College You Go to Matter?

It's only natural that as you weigh the pros and cons of one institution over another, you begin to wonder, Does the college you go to matter?

While some schools can be appealing because of their name recognition and high standards, others may offer promising salaries and unique opportunities after graduation. There is no guarantee that attending a prestigious institution will result in earning a high salary.

An exceptional student will be exceptional regardless of where they did their schooling. You might have to work harder to make connections, but you can absolutely do well from a smaller school in any field. It matters in a very small number of fields, but probably less than people think Ultimately, it's about proving that regardless of where you have studied, you have what it takes to excel in the position.

Contact info: FBrown@SD35.BC.CA

https://careered.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/list/

Community News

Find a Program - The Langley School District offers a variety of programs to students, from pre-Kindergarten learners to adult learners.

https://www.sd35.bc.ca/page/5988/find-a-program

The Career Discoveries Program works with students from all around the Langley School District in grades 10, 11, and 12. The goal of the Career Discoveries Program is to place diverse learners in real workplace environments so they can learn and practice employability skills. Employability skills help a student get and keep a job while helping them to be as independent as possible. https://www.sd35.bc.ca/page/6016/career-discoveries

Project Resiliency Program

Project Resiliency is a three-day counselling-based program (for Grades 8-12) that offers young people the opportunity to address whatever might be preventing them from achieving their full potential For more info https://www.sd35.bc.ca/page/5993/project-resiliency

Alternate programs

Alternate programs in Langley are designed to address educational, social, and emotional needs of students whose needs are not met in traditional school settings

Public Health Nurse - supporting the Langley School District

Fraser Health's healthy schools nurses support school districts and identified (Focus) schools to promote the physical, emotional and social well-being of students.

For more information, please contact: publicnurse@sd35.bc.ca https://www.sd35.bc.ca/page/2018/healthy-schools

https://www.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/community-bulletin-board/