



R.E. MOUNTAIN SECONDARY
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Dear REMSS Families,

My name is Carla Clapton and I am honoured to take on the role of Principal at RE Mountain Secondary School. I have spent more than twenty years as an educator and administrator in the Langley School District and have also completed my K-12 educational journey in this very District. Most recently, I have spent the last three years as Principal at Langley Fundamental Middle and Secondary School.

The start of a school year brings opportunities for learning, growth, friendship, and discovery. Whether your child is returning to our school or joining us for the first time, we are pleased to have you as part of our learning community. Our dedicated staff has been preparing classrooms, planning engaging learning experiences, and creating welcoming spaces so that every student may feel safe, valued, and inspired to succeed.

MyED BC

It is very important that you ensure we have your current email address so that we can keep you up-to-date on important information. ***Please login to [MyEdBC](#) to ensure your information (address, etc.) is correct OR send your updated contact information along with your student's name and date of birth to msstudentrecords@sd35.bc.ca.*** This address can also be used for MyEdBC password changes.

Ways to Stay Connected

- Our school website (<https://remss.sd35.bc.ca/>)
- REMSS Instagram ([@remountaineagles](#)).
- School Messenger will be used to communicate important school-wide updates and information
- TEAMS is commonly used between teachers and students (teachers will connect with students about this during the first week of classes)
- Our Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) is a great way to seek information about REMSS (and to get involved)

Tuesday, September 8th

Grade 9 students and new students (Gr. 10-12) will be invited to attend an orientation session on Tuesday, Sept. 8th.

*All Grade 10-12 students who have previously been at R.E. Mountain will join us on Wednesday, Sept. 9th.

- **All Grade 9 students** have received an invitation to a welcome orientation that will be held on September 8th. Students will attend either a morning or an afternoon orientation session. This first day of orientation activities is important for setting up our Grade 9's for success right at the beginning of our school year.
*Grade 9 students will also have their school photo taken on this day.
- **Grade 10-12 students who are new to REMSS** will be invited to an orientation from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM on Tuesday, September 8th. More information about this opportunity will be sent out to our new students and we highly recommend that students attend.

ALL STUDENTS ATTEND school on Wednesday, September 9th

Classes on September 9th begin at 8:00am for most Grade 11/12 students (check schedule) and at 9:10am for Grade 9/10 students.

Due to traffic challenges at drop off, we suggest that students arrive early. Dismissal is at **3:19 PM**.

The block rotation on Wednesday, September 9th is Day 2 (D,E,B,C)

OPENING WEEK SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 - DAY 2	THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 – DAY 1
8:00 – 9:05 Block A2	8:00 – 9:05 Block A1
9:10 – 10:15 Block D2 (Homeroom)	9:10 – 9:25 Block D2 (Homeroom)
10:15 - 10:47 Flex D2	9:30 – 10:15 Block B1
10:52 – 11:57 Block E2	10:15 – 10:47 Flex B1
11:57 – 12:27 Lunch	10:52 – 11:57 Block C1
12:32 – 1:37 Block B2	11:57 – 12:27 Lunch
1:37 – 2:09 Flex B2	12:32 – 1:37 Block D1
2:14 – 3:19 Block C2	1:37 – 2:09 Flex D1
	2:14 – 3:19 Block E1
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 - DAY 2	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 - DAY 1
8:00 – 9:05 Block A2	8:00 – 9:05 Block A1
9:10 – 10:15 Block D2 (Homeroom)	9:10 – 9:25 Block D2 (Homeroom)
10:15 - 10:47 Flex D2	9:30 – 10:15 Block B1
10:52 – 11:57 Block E2	10:20 – 10:52 Flex C1
11:57 – 12:27 Lunch	10:52 – 11:57 Block C1
12:32 – 1:37 Block B2	11:57 – 12:27 Lunch
1:37 – 2:09 Flex B2	12:32 – 1:37 Block D1
2:14 – 3:19 Block C2	1:42 - 2:14 Flex E1
	2:14 – 3:19 Block E1

BELL SCHEDULE 2026-27

Over the past few years, we have seen a great deal of growth and development in our community. There are continued pressures around enrolment and we will continue with last year's extended day schedule to ensure that students will continue to have access to as many course opportunities as possible. Please note that the bookend times of the day are slightly adjusted this year to adhere to the required instructional minutes by the Ministry of Education. Therefore, all Langley schools are impacted by this requirement.

Our current schedule offers the following:

- A set schedule for each day of the week.
- Continued inclusion of flex time each day.
- More early morning linear classes for grade 11 and 12 students to ensure greater access to class options.
- Reduced traffic issues around pick up and drop off times.

Students in grades 9 and 10, and students in Complex Resource, will start their day at 9:10 AM and end at 3:19 PM (unless they are taking music or high-performance classes). Students in grades 11 and 12 will be scheduled between 8:00 AM and 3:19 PM to ensure they have full access to all our course opportunities.

REMSS Bell Schedule - 2026-27						
Time	MON	TUES	WED	Th/F Time	THUR	FRI
8:00-9:05	A1	A2	A1/A2	8:00-9:05	A1	A2
9:10-10:15	B1	D2	B1/D2	9:10-10:15	B1	D2
10:20-10:52	C1 - Flex	E2 - Flex	BCDE Flex	10:15-10:47	B1 - Flex	D2 - Flex
10:52-11:57	C1	E2	C1/E2	10:52-11:57	C1	E2
11:57-12:27	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	11:57-12:27	LUNCH	LUNCH
12:32-1:37	D1	B2	D1/B2	12:32-1:37	D1	B2
1:42-2:14	E1 - Flex	C2 - Flex	BCDE Flex	1:37-2:09	D1 - Flex	B2 - Flex
2:14-3:19	E1	C2	E1/C2	2:14-3:19	E1	C2

MY SCHOOLDAY APP

We highly recommend students and parents download the MySchoolDay App which details information about each day's block order and includes the option of notifications about important events.

- [iOS Version](#)
- [Android Version](#)

REMSS CALENDAR

The school calendar is available at <https://remss.sd35.bc.ca/>. All important events will be posted for the entire school year. Please check this calendar periodically as events will be added throughout the school year.

STUDENT LOCKERS

REMSS is a large campus to navigate between classes and many students find that they do not actually need or use a locker. However, if a student chooses to have access to a locker, they will need to select one by going to <https://mss.lockerassignment.com/>

Please note that lockers are limited and there is no guarantee that students will be able to get one.

How to Use the Locker Management System:

Student accounts have been created for all REMSS students to be able to access the system.

To log in, you will need a User ID and password. Your User ID is your student number. Your password is the two initials of your first and last name plus your student number.

For example:

An REMSS student named Sam Smith whose student number is 12345:

User ID: 12345

Password: SS12345 (CASE SENSITIVE so use capital letters for your initials)

Students can access lockers at the following times:

Grade 12: Tuesday, Sept. 1st at 9:00am
Grade 9: Wednesday, Sept. 2nd at 9:00am
Grade 11: Thursday, Sept. 3rd at 9:00am
Grade 10: Friday, Sept. 4th at 9:00am

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Costopoulos at GCostopoulos@sd35.bc.ca.

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION CONTACTS

We encourage students and parents to connect with their teachers as much as possible when issues arise, however when administration support is needed, please connect with your child's Vice-Principal.

Here is a list of our Vice-Principals and how they are assigned relating to a student's last name:

- Tina Costopoulos, Grades 9-12 (A – F)
- George Costopoulos, Grades 9-12 (G – LEE)
- Meg Harradine, Grades 9-12 (LEF– R)
- Gwen Thornburn, Grades 9-12 (S-Z)

SCHOOL COUNSELLOR CONTACTS

School Counsellors are vital in a school to support students' academic success, mental well-being, and personal growth and in helping them navigate challenges and reach their full potential.

Here is a list of our Counsellors and how they are assigned relating to a student's last name:

Counsellor alpha by student's last name:

A-Da – Jermaine Kemp
De-J – Lauren Barirani
K-Me – Jerica Glassco

Mi-Se – Sarah Michel
Sh-Z – Janice Babalos
IB and Pre-IB - Victor Cai

COMMUNICATING WITH REMSS

Open and productive communication between school and home is essential in order to best support our students. When you have an issue or concern relating to your child's school experience, please refer to the following District guidelines.



SAFE ARRIVAL APP

R.E. Mountain Secondary utilizes an automated attendance management system called SafeArrival, offered through School Messenger, the system that hosts our parent notification system. Accessible at: <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>

With SafeArrival, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance using any of these 3 convenient methods:

1. SchoolMessenger App - Using your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store. The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
2. SafeArrival Website - Use the SafeArrival website, <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>. The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
3. Toll-Free Phone - Call the toll-free number 1-833-294-4837 to report an absence using the automated phone system.

When signing up for an account, you must sign up using the parent / guardian e-mail that is on file with the school. If you are calling the toll-free number, you must call from the parent / guardian phone number on file with the school. These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. We ask that daily absences are reported before 3 p.m. on the day of the absence, this includes late arrivals and early departures. Future absences can be reported at any time. If absences are not reported before the cut-off time, the parent / guardian may still receive an automatic notification in the evening to inform of an absence. Absences are only to be reported by parents / guardians on file with the school. Students are not to report their own absences.

We are a very large school with a high volume of calls. Please use the 3 options above to report absences as the school office will not be able to accept calls regarding attendance. Parents / guardians will need to report via the app, website, or toll- free number in a timely manner.

If you have children attending other schools, please continue to report absences using the existing procedures for those schools. If you plan to be away for the first few days of school, please let the office know.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

All students should bring basic supplies on the first day including paper, binders, pens, and pencils. Classroom teachers will specify supplies needed for their specific courses.

PHE STRIP FOR GRADE 9 & 10

At R.E. Mountain, PE gym strip is mandatory for all students. Students are able to wear their own gym attire.

STUDENT USE OF PERSONAL DIGITAL DEVICES

There is a procedure in Langley that gives direction for how to best support our students.

- Teachers will be co-constructing and communicating clearly how cell phones could be used in their class.
 - For example: students may be able to use cell phones to access:
 - Research for a project
 - Class Kahoot
 - School Surveys
 - Microsoft Teams for Instructional Resources
 - MySchoolDay App
 - Educational Apps – ie. Sora, Calculator, DuoLingo, etc.
- Otherwise, it is expected that during hours of instruction, phones should be away. Cell phones should never be out in washrooms or change rooms.

For the purposes of supporting the above restrictions of personal digital devices, interventions should be progressive, and may include:

- a. A verbal reminder to the student;
- b. The personal digital device being collected by staff and returned to the student at the end of the school day;
- c. A phone call or email to the parent/guardian to support the student in the appropriate use of digital devices while at school;
- d. The requirement that any personal digital devices not be brought to a school for a set period of time;
- e. Other interventions, as deemed appropriate by the Administration.

Should you have any questions about these procedures, please reach out to a member of the school administration.

TRAFFIC AND STUDENT / VISITOR PARKING

Due to the ongoing growth at REMSS, staff, student and visitor parking at REMSS remains the same as last year. The North Lot directly adjacent to REMSS will be for staff parking only. The South Lot (adjacent to 76A street) is for visitors to REMSS. Students who register their vehicles with the office and are given a parking pass will be able to park in the nearby Township parking lots, adjacent to the LUSA Fieldhouse and adjacent to the southwest playing field. There are accessible parking spaces in all lots.

Students will need to follow the link (included below) to register and receive a parking pass before they are able to park in the assigned lots. **Passes will be available for pick up starting September 15th.** Students will be able to pick up passes from the office during lunch or after school.

Drop off lanes will follow the same path as last year, one lane entering REMSS, splitting into 2 thru lanes with North and South exits. Drivers are reminded not to park in the drop off lanes and to follow all driving rules so ensure the safety of others.

Register for a parking pass here: [Student Parking Registration 2026-2027 – Fill out form](#)

SCHOOLCASH ONLINE

R.E. Mountain uses [SchoolCash Online](#), an online payment system that gives families a convenient and secure option to pay for items such as field trips, program fees, and other school-related expenses.

Instructions for SchoolCash Online

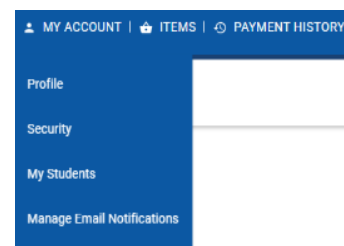
<https://media.sd35.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/online-payment-information-for-parents.50054e5148.p...>

NEW FAMILIES: If you still need to, please register for the [SchoolCash Online](#) account using the following instructions. [School Cash Online Parent and Student Instruction Sheet](#)

EXISTING FAMILIES: If you have a SchoolCash Online account, please ensure you have selected to receive notifications.

To get a notification when new items are posted.

- a) Log in to [SchoolCash Online](#)
- b) Select **My Account** top tab
- c) Select Manage Email Notifications
- d) Check “I want to receive email notifications. . . .”
- e) Select Preferred Language
- f) Click **Change**



Change Email Notifications

☒ I want to receive email notifications for new fees assigned to my student and updates on school-related activities.

Preferred Language for E-mails: English

Change

PAC DONATIONS

Donations to the REMSS Parent Advisory Council (PAC) can be made through SchoolCash Online. These funds support school programs like the Tough Eagle/Pep Rally events, and other opportunities for student support. Thank you for supporting our REMSS community.

On behalf of the REMSS Staff, we look forward to beginning a new school year and to working alongside our students and their families.

Sincerely,

Ms. Carla Clapton
Principal
RE Mountain Secondary School

