



# 2024-2025 School Year

## SUMMER & SEPTEMBER INFORMATION

### West Haven Public School

#### CONTACT PROCEDURES DURING SUMMER

Principal: Jennifer O'Brien [jennifer.obrien@blackgold.ca](mailto:jennifer.obrien@blackgold.ca)  
Assistant Principal: Isaac Schnell [isaac.schnell@blackgold.ca](mailto:isaac.schnell@blackgold.ca)  
Assistant Principal: Cayley Stewart [cayley.stewart@blackgold.ca](mailto:cayley.stewart@blackgold.ca)

From July 1-31, please direct emails to Assistant Principal Schnell.  
From August 1 - 27, please direct emails to Principal O'Brien.  
Alternatively, you may leave a message on the school's answering machine. Phone and email messages will be checked periodically.

#### REPORT CARDS & POWERSCHOOL

Report cards will be available on June 28th at noon. Please log in to your account to view your child's report card.

#### APPEAL PROCEDURES FOR MARKS, CREDITS, REPORT CARDS

Parents/students may appeal school marks no later than July 14, 2023. This may be done by emailing Assistant Principal Schnell at [isaac.schnell@blackgold.ca](mailto:isaac.schnell@blackgold.ca).

#### REGISTRATION OF NEW STUDENTS

All new families are to register their child(ren) online via PowerSchool Registration which is available on the Black Gold School Division website at: [New Student Registration](#)

Parents registering over the summer will receive a confirmation by August 23rd, 2024. Should an in-take meeting be required, please email this request to Principal O'Brien [jennifer.obrien@blackgold.ca](mailto:jennifer.obrien@blackgold.ca) so that she may direct this request accordingly.

#### RETURNING STUDENTS - VERIFICATION FORM

Students who were attending a Black Gold School Division (BGSD) school in 2023-2024 and are returning to a BGSD school in 2024-2025 are automatically registered for the 2024-2025 school year.

**\*Please Note that Pre K students who will be attending Kindergarten are not automatically registered even if they attended a Black Gold school in the previous year. These students will need to register.\***  
All BGSD families are expected to complete the Student Enrollment Verification Form for the 2024-2025 school year. In late August, parents/guardians will receive an email via SchoolMessenger with details on how to access this form during the first week of school.

#### SCHOOL START DATE & TIMES FOR GRADES 1 - 12 STUDENTS

## First Day of School

**Wednesday, August 28, 2024**

Regular Day Morning Classes Warning Bell: 8:30  
Regular Lunch Hour Times: 12:00 - 12:56  
Regular Day Afternoon Classes Warning Bell: 12:52  
Regular Day Dismissal Time: 3:15

### **EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES (ECS): KINDERGARTEN & PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS**

#### **KINDERGARTEN:**

WHPS offers morning or afternoon daily English ECS instruction. Students will be assigned a staggered entry date between August 28th and 30th and will be notified of the staggered entry date via email in early August. Families registering over the summer will be notified of their staggered entry date between August 23-28th. All ECS students will start their first regular day on September 3rd.

A morning warning bell for regular morning classes rings at 8:35 with dismissal at 11:18. The afternoon classes do not have a warning bell. Afternoon times run from 12:32 - 3:15.

The WHPS school supply list is available through our [website here](#). It can also be found online through the school website [whps.blackgold.ca](https://www.blackgold.ca) under the Parents tab and Supply Lists. \*Note: the only supplies required for kindergarten students are a backpack, indoor running shoes (non-scuff), a water bottle, and a lunch box.

#### **Early Intervention Pre-Kindergarten (EI-PreK):**

**Early Intervention Pre-Kindergarten (EI-PreK)** is offered at Calmar Elementary School, École Bellevue School, École Corinthia Park School, Linsford Park School, Robina Baker Elementary School, and Thorsby Elementary School. If you have a preschooler who faces challenges like following directions, communication issues, anxiety, or developmental delays, early intervention is crucial. Our Early Intervention Pre-Kindergarten (EI-PreK) program provides specialized support to help your child thrive – academically, socially, and emotionally. Children may qualify as early as two years eight months old by August 31st of the respective school year if they meet the criteria. Please go to <https://www.blackgold.ca/schools/programs/pre-kindergarten/> to enter intake for free eligibility screening.

#### **English as an Additional Language (EAL) Junior Kindergarten:**

The EAL Junior Kindergarten program is a half-day program, four days a week, led by a certified teacher with an Education Assistant at École Dansereau Meadows School in Beaumont and Willow Park School in Leduc. Children may qualify as early as three years eight months old by August 31st of the respective school year if they meet the criteria. Please go to <https://www.blackgold.ca/esl-junior-kindergarten/> to enter intake for free eligibility screening.

**To ensure a balance of strengths and needs across all programs, program times will be communicated directly by the school to all eligible families in September once school staff have had the opportunity to meet all the children in person and perform any necessary assessments.**

### **SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS**

The WHPS school supply list is available through our website [here](#) for all K-9 students. It can also be found online through the school website [whps.blackgold.ca](https://whps.blackgold.ca) under the Parents tab and Supply Lists.

Parents also have the following options:

**Staples:** You may order online at <https://www.staples.ca/pages/schooltools#parents> or through the local store.

**School Start:** You will be able to place your order online at <http://www.schoolstart.ca>

## TIMETABLE & TIMETABLE CHANGES

Students will receive their timetables on the first day of classes. Students and parents may contact Assistant Principal Schnell [isaac.schnell@blackgold.ca](mailto:isaac.schnell@blackgold.ca) for Junior High complementary course change requests after August 30th.

## POWERSCHOOL PARENT PORTAL CLASSROOM PLACEMENT

Classroom placement information for parents/students for the upcoming school year will be available on the PowerSchool Parent Portal on August 7th. Those registering after this date will be notified by the main office between August 23-28.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

WHPS wishes all of our families a happy, safe, and healthy summer.

## TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION & SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS

[Transportation Information](#). Call 780-955-6034 or 780-955-6048 for inquiries.

**2024-2025 School Year information will be posted to our BGSD website in late August.**