



# Brocklehurst Secondary School

**Principal:** Ms. Tonya Perry

**Vice Principals:** Mr. Grady Sjokvist, Ms. Erin Khelouati

**Counsellors:** Ms. Reddeman and Mr. Kevin Chow

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## September 2025

### What is happening at Brock?

Sept 8	PAC Meeting
Sept 10	Power + STRONG Block
Sept 12	Fire Drill at 8:45am
Sept 16	Photo Day – No Hats Parent Grad Meeting 5pm to 6pm Athletic Meeting 6:30
Sept 17	Power + STRONG Block
Sept 19	Terry Fox Run and School Wide BBQ
Sept 22	<b>Non-Instructional Day</b>
Sept 24	Power + STRONG Block
Sept 29	Acknowledgement of National Day of Truth and Reconciliation
Sept 30	<b>National Day of Truth and Reconciliation</b>
Oct 1	Power + STRONG Block
Oct 8	Power + STRONG Block

### Brock's Block Rotation:

This is our block rotation for Semester 2.

Day 1 – AB CD

Day 2 – BA DC

Day 3 – CD AB

Day 4 – DC BA

### What is Power Block? – New

On Wednesday's we have a unique bell schedule. After 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> block, we have Power Block which is 22 minutes in length. During Power Block students have an opportunity to review course work, complete missing work and/or homework, seek feedback from their teacher, silent read, or complete course work from other classes. Power Block was designed to help all students stay caught up in their course work and strengthen their academic progress within their classes. Students remain in class during Power Block.

### What is Strong Block for?

STRONG Block runs from 2:13 to 3pm on Wednesdays. STRONG Block is **mandatory** for students who have been referred to the block from their classroom teacher. STRONG Block has been designed to support students who are missing curricular competencies due to illness,

### Attendance Matters

absences, sports events etc. Students who are referred work in the library with the support of CEAs, TTOCs and Administration to complete the necessary class assignments. Teachers will contact home via email and/or phone call if they are referring your student to STRONG block.

Any students can utilize STRONG block time as a study block/homework completion time. All other students are dismissed at 2:13pm and are expected to head home during this time.

STRONG Block supports all students to keep up with their course work. Attendance is important in a semester system, and our goal is to support all students to achieve academic success.

### Our Bell Schedule

Brock Secondary has 2 different bell schedules. Our regular bell schedule is for Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. On Wednesday, we have a different bell schedule to allow time for our STRONG block.

### Brock Secondary School Regular Bell Schedule for Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri - Changes

8:31 – 9:49	1 <sup>st</sup> Block
9:49 – 10:08	Break
10:08 – 11:26	2 <sup>nd</sup> Block
11:26 – 12:19	Lunch
12:19 – 1:37	3 <sup>rd</sup> Block
1:42 – 3:00	4 <sup>th</sup> Block

### Brock Secondary School Bell Schedule for Wednesday - Changes

8:31 – 9:28	1 <sup>st</sup> Block
9:28 – 9:50	Power Block
9:50 – 10:07	Break
10:07 – 11:04	2 <sup>nd</sup> Block
11:04 – 11:26	Power Block
11:26 – 12:14	Lunch
12:19 – 1:16	3 <sup>rd</sup> Block
1:20 – 2:17	4 <sup>th</sup> Block
2:17 – 3:00	STRONG Block/PLC Time

Attendance is key to having a successful school year.

It is important for students to attend school every day. When late or absent, students miss valuable coursework and instruction, and may fall behind in their education. This is true even for excused absences. Families are encouraged to schedule appointments, vacations, or other events at times that won't cause students to be absent from school as absences of any type (excused or unexcused) dramatically decreases academic success. Please use our [SafeArrival](#) Program to excuse your child's absence when there are planned absences.

### When is Break Time?

We have **one** Break each day between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Block. Students need to be mindful of transition times so they arrive on time and prepared for class.

**ATTENDANCE  
MATTERS.  
ALL DAY, EVERY DAY**

### Grad Info and Upcoming Grad Meeting



We are hosting a Parent Grad meeting on **September 16<sup>th</sup> from 5pm to 6pm.**

Upcoming Grads and their parents are welcome to join!

This meeting is to organize the parent group to help plan and organize the Grad Prom and Safe Grad activities.

If you are interested in being part of the organizing of Brock's 2026 Grad – please come to this meeting.

### Cash Online and Processing Fees - **NEW**

Starting September 2025 individual student fees (enhancement fees for field trips and athletics for example) will include a **processing fee** for all payment transactions using online payment options.

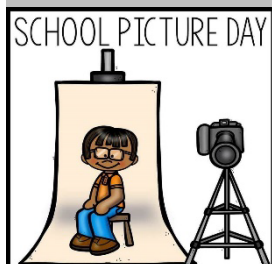
This processing fee, which was approved by the Board after the budget consultation process last spring, represents actual costs the Board incurs for using online fee payment services. Cash and cheque payments will not incur this processing fee.

We recognize that fee increases can be challenging for families. School District 73 is committed to ensuring that no student is excluded from an educational program or activity or extracurricular activity because of financial need as outlined in the District's Administrative Procedure 506: Student Financial Assistance.

School fees will soon be attached to your child's account. We will email all families when school fees are ready to be paid. Please look for this email to arrive soon.



### Photo Day – September 16<sup>th</sup> – **Don't Miss Out**



Picture day is on Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. If your student is at a TRU program or in Aquatics Academy or at Hockey Academy in Block B – they need to get their photos taken first thing in the morning.

Photos will be taken in the library. All students need to get their photo taken regardless if they are ordering a photo package. There are no hats to be worn in the photos.

### **Brock's Welcome Room – New IEW's**

Brock's Welcome Room is a space where Indigenous students can connect with our Indigenous Education Workers and the different services they provide. Our Indigenous Education Workers are Ericka Chapman [echapman@exc.sd73.bc.ca](mailto:echapman@exc.sd73.bc.ca) and Sherisse Mousseau [smousseau@exc.sd73.bc.ca](mailto:smousseau@exc.sd73.bc.ca).

Feel free to contact them if you have questions about upcoming Social Group programming. Ericka and Sherisse are also working to collect Parent Permission forms for SD73 Programming and Services. For all students who work with Ericka and Sherisse, the permission forms went home on Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. Please ensure that this paperwork is returned by Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Athletic Meeting – September 16<sup>th</sup> – All Athletes Must Attend**

All athletes and their parents need to attend the athletic meeting at 6:30pm on September 16<sup>th</sup>. Reminder that all athletes must return their signed Athletic Contract and pay their athletic fee prior to playing their first game.

If the athletic fee is hindering your students from playing, please apply to [Kids Sports](#).

Please see our website for additional Athletic information. <https://brocksec.sd73.bc.ca/en/parents-students-support-help/brock-athletics.aspx>

If you are interested in being a community coach this year or if you have questions about the sports season at Brock, please contact our Athletic Director, Ashley Lowndes at [alowndes@sd73.bc.ca](mailto:alowndes@sd73.bc.ca)



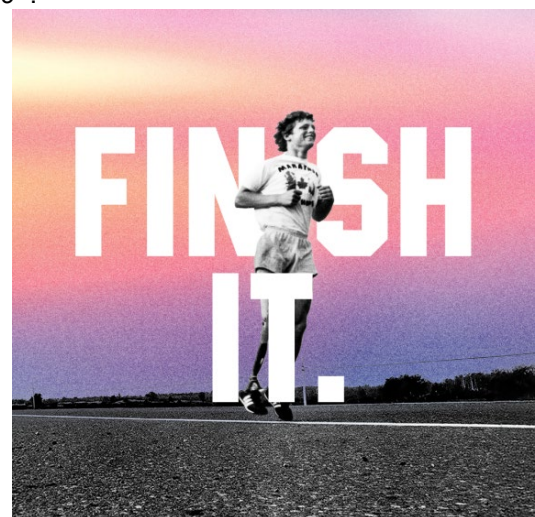
### **What does our Cafeteria Offer? - New**

- Parfaits of yogurt, fruit and granola - \$3
  - Cheese sticks - \$1
  - Tater Tots - \$3
  - Mozza Sticks - \$3
  - Salads – Green, Caesar, Pasta, Taco and Chef - \$4
- You can still pre-order lunches that include a meal, cookies and a juice box.  
There are many new items to purchase!



### **Terry Fox Run and School Wide BBQ – Friday, Sept 19**

Our entire school will be participating in the Terry Fox run on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Students can walk or run the event. We are hoping to raise a minimum of \$600 for the Terry Fox Marathon of Hope. Please see the Leadership student's write-up below regarding the activities that are planned for Sept 19<sup>th</sup>!



This is the route we will be walking/running for the Terry Fox Marathon of Hope:



### Message from the Leadership Crew:

#### Terry Fox Run & Welcome Back BBQ – Friday, September 19th

We are excited to welcome families and students to our annual **Terry Fox Run and Welcome Back BBQ on Friday, September 19th, starting at 11:00 AM**. This is a fantastic opportunity for the school community to come together to show their "Courage" while supporting a cause that holds great significance for Canadians.

#### The Run:

Students will leave from the school and run along **Fleetwood to Crestline**, then return along **Greenfield**. To ensure everyone's safety, teachers and Leadership students will be placed strategically along the route for supervision, traffic control, and encouragement.

#### How you can participate and support:

- **Toonie for Terry:** A \$2 cash donation can be given to students' **B block teachers** or to **Leadership in Room 126**. Each \$2 donation also enters students into a draw for the chance to dump a water bucket on a teacher!
- **Water Balloon Fundraiser:** Toss a balloon at a teacher for **50¢ each or 5 for \$2**.
- **Welcome Back BBQ:** After the run, during the lunch hour, students can enjoy a **hot dog and a drink**.
- **Concession:** A variety of goodies will also be available, with a portion of proceeds going to the Terry Fox Foundation.

For those who prefer to donate online, contributions can also be made directly through our school's fundraising page: [Donate Online Here](#).

We look forward to seeing everyone there to celebrate the spirit of Terry Fox, enjoy a BBQ lunch together, and make a difference as a community!

### Trades and Transitions Program

Mr. Leclerc is our TNT Coordinator. Students who are interested in applying for District programs need to see Mr. Leclerc for more information.

Students can book an appointment to see Mr. Leclerc through our counselling office. Mr. Leclerc will connect with students on Tuesdays and Thursdays during C Block.

It is never too soon to start planning for one of these opportunities. Click [here](#) to see all the programs that SD73 offers.



### Course Changes End on September 12th

We have 2 school counsellors.

Mr. Chow – supporting students with last names A to K

Ms. Reddeman – supporting students with last name L to Z

If a student is requesting a course change, they needed to have added their name to the list in the counselling office by break on Thursday, Sept 11<sup>th</sup>. Counsellors will continue to work through this list until September 12<sup>th</sup>. After Sept 12<sup>th</sup>, there will be no further Semester 1 course changes as classes have been established and course material is well underway.

We will work to our best to accommodate requests for course changes, but not all course changes can be accommodated.

## Fair Notice

Student safety is a top priority in the Kamloops-Thompson School District. To keep students and staff safe, we have engaged in intensive safety training with our community partners—the RCMP, Secwépemc Child & Family Service, Lii Michif Otipemisiwak Family and Community Services, and the Ministry of Children and Family Development. As a result of our collective efforts, we have developed a district plan for responding to all situations where we believe students may be posing a threat to themselves or others.

District policy requires principals to activate a multidisciplinary “threat assessment” protocol whenever we have information that indicates students have made significant, high-level threats to harm themselves or others. Please review Behavioural and Digital Threat Assessment procedure on the school district website at [sd73.bc.ca](http://sd73.bc.ca) (under Administrative Procedures). See the link below in the Healthy Schools Information.

### What is a threat?

A threat is an expression of intent to do harm or act out violently against someone or something. Threats may be verbal, written, drawn, posted on the Internet, or made by gesture. Threats must be taken seriously, investigated, and responded to.

Duty to report:

To keep school communities safe and caring, each of us—staff, parents, guardians, caregivers, students, and community members—must report all threat-related behaviours to the school principal.

## Principal’s Lists – Congratulations!

We want to congratulate our recipients of Brock’s Principal’s Lists. These students received 86% or better in both semesters for the 2024-25 school year. Students who achieve Principal’s list in Grade 10, 11 and 12 will receive our Gold Cord at Commencements.

### 24/25 Grade 11’s:

Marchella Binuya  
Payton McArthur  
Peyton Reid  
Mya Ward  
Rebekah Huss

### 24/25 Grade 10’s:

Finn Burrill  
Cassandra Choy  
Camryn Exelby  
Logan LaBrie  
Aaliyah Quassim  
Phoenix Miller  
Summer Smith  
Sophie Sobchak  
Lilah Thompson  
Kaiden Mortimer

## Brock Yearbook – On Sale In October!

Brock will be selling yearbooks this year! You can purchase a yearbook through Cash Online or by bringing a cash or cheque payment to the office.

There will be limited numbers of books available. Don’t miss out!

More Information to Come! If your student is interested in being part of the Yearbook club, please connect with Ms. Fauteux.

You can pay through School CashOnline or cash/cheque paid at the office.

## PAC Meeting – Next Meeting to Appoint PAC Positions is October 6th



Our first PAC Meeting was on September 8<sup>th</sup>. Our next PAC meeting will be held on October 6<sup>th</sup>. During the **October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting at 6:30pm to 7:30pm**, the PAC committee will be chosen. If you are interested in being part of our PAC, please come to our October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### Parent Engagement Session –

**Wednesday September 17, 2025 6pm-7:00pm**

**Title: Partnering for Success**

Presented by Deanna Brady, District Principal of Inclusive Education and Lise Hyam, District Coordinator of Inclusive Education

This session is about empowerment and partnership—helping you become a strong advocate for your child while building positive, collaborative relationships with the school team. In this session, you will:

- Learn how the BC education system supports students with diverse needs
- Understand the roles of teachers, education assistants, case managers, and school teams
- Gain a clear overview of Individual Education Plan (IEPs)—what they are, how they work, and your rights as a parent
- Discover simple strategies to prepare for, participate in, and follow up after IEP meetings
- Take home easy-to-use resources, including checklists, key questions, and a guide to supports available in BC

If you are interested in attending, please register in advance [here](#). Following your registration, you will receive the link to the meeting.

## Principal's Message:

Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Guardians,

We have had a great start-up to our school year. Our SD73 painting crew has done an amazing job getting the exterior and some interior walls painted – our school has a fresh, updated look with new signage. We want to welcome everyone back to Brocklehurst Secondary for our 2025-2026 school year! September is always jammed packed with different meetings and activities; there is always lots of information to share with students and families. Please take some time to read through this newsletter as there are a number of important dates and some key changes that have taken place this year.

At Brock, we offer a number of programs and supports for our students! Please see below for the clubs that are offered at this time of year – and the teachers who are running these clubs. There are lots of opportunities for students to connect. Our sports programs are in full swing with boys soccer, girls volleyball, Esports and cross country. Please reach out to Ms. Lowndes at [alowndes@exc.sd73.bc.ca](mailto:alowndes@exc.sd73.bc.ca) to find out how to join a team. If you are interested in coaching – we are still looking for some coaches for our winter sports.

Our Academy programs are in full swing: Health Science, Aquatics, Dance and Hockey. These programs are full this year! Programs like Hockey, Dance and Aquatics will expand next year based on interest and student numbers.

Demographics sheets should have gone home on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please ensure your information is accurate. If updates need to be made, please have your student return the demographic sheets to their Homeroom teacher (Block D) or to the main office.

We look forward to a successful school year! At our grade meetings, we acknowledged our recipients of our Brock Principal's List. We are extremely proud of our students' accomplishments. These students demonstrate strong academic achievement – please see the section below.

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## Our Vision

At Brock Secondary, we're guided by our vision: "Through **Curiosity, Compassion, and Courage**, we strive to build meaningful connections and become our best selves." We're dedicated to providing a positive and supportive learning environment where every student can thrive.

We appreciate your continued support and partnership!

Sincerely,  
The Brock Admin Team, Tonya Perry, Principal; Grady Sjkovist, Vice-Principal; Erin Khelouiati, Vice-Principal

 My contributions to our **BROCK** community:

- Are my words and actions contributing to a safe and positive school community? 
- Have I left my space clean? 
- Am I prepared for class? 
- Am I following reasonable requests? 
- Am I following the expectations for phone use at school? 
- Am I working to my personal best? 

We strive to build meaningful connections and become our best selves.  
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**BROCK**  **VALUES**

-  **Curiosity**  
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A sense of wonder throughout our day
  - Ask questions to pursue deeper understanding.
  - Connect learning to ourselves and the world around us.
  - Explore!
-  **Compassion**  
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Caring, accepting and kind to oneself and others
  - Reflect and act on what we all need to feel like we matter.
  - Be inclusive, act without judgment and welcome individual difference.
  - Build healthy relationships that support learning and contribute to a safe community.
-  **Courage**  
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Embrace challenge as an opportunity for growth
  - Take a chance and do the "right thing" in difficult situations.
  - Navigate fears and find solutions.
  - Embrace that learning requires persistence, not perfection.

We strive to build meaningful connections and become our best selves.  
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### Keeping the Bus Loop Clear

Our Aquatics Academy travels by school bus. If you drive your student to school, please drop off on Windbreak Street or in front of the yellow gates at the entrance of the school. Please do not park or block our bus loop during school hours.



### Messages in the Office

Brock is a busy place with many meetings taking place during lunch hours and after school. Messages broadcast over the PA system will only occur at the beginning of first block. Students with messages will be listed on the TV monitor in the front lobby of the school.

Please encourage students to check the monitor regularly.

### Reminder – Scent Reduction

Be *Scent*sitive to others

Please help to achieve a scent-reduced environment and avoid the use of scented products.



This is a reminder for all students that perfumes and colognes are not to be brought to school.

## Clubs and Lunch Hour Activities

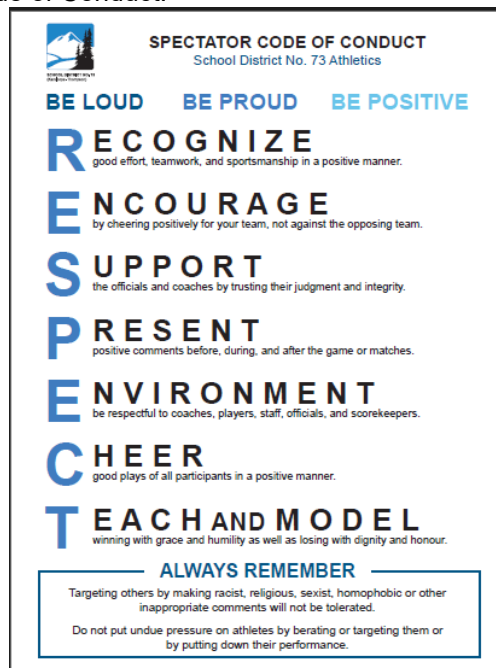
There are a number of clubs and activities that are going on around the school! Clubs and activities will be posted on the bulletin board in the front foyer in the coming days. The following clubs are available:

- eSports with Mr. Naidu in Room 206
- Model UN with Mr. Clare in Room 119
- Debate + Diplomacy - Mr. McMullen
- Yearbook with Ms. Fauteux in Room 114 and 130
- Drama with Ms. Fairbrother in the Theatre/Cafeteria
- Iron Broncs with Mr. McLean in the Weight Room
- Music Council + Senior Jazz Band with Mr. Schill in the Band Room
- Dungeons + Dragons with Ms. Busch in Room 102
- Battle of the Books + Library Helpers with Ms. Fairbrother + Ms. Smeaton in the Library
- Jewelry Making with Mr. Fehst in Room 110
- Art Club (afterschool) with Mr. Karpluk in Room 128

**Get involved and connected with these various opportunities!**

## Come cheer on our teams!

We are excited to have spectators cheering on our school teams this year! A reminder that if you come to cheer on our teams you must follow the Spectator Code of Conduct.



SD73 has an updated Spectator Code of Conduct. If you are coming to watch SD73 athletes play, please familiarize yourself with the code. Click [here](#).

## LAC Hub – Mr. Reeves has joined us!

We have 2 teachers supporting our LAC Hub at Brock: **Ms. Paton** and **Mr. Reeves**.

Brock staff is committed to supporting all students so that they are academically successful. Please do not hesitate to connect with your classroom teacher if you have questions about your child's academic progress. Please feel free to connect with your child's case manager via phone or email if you have questions or concerns about their CBIEP or specific academic programming.

## Healthy Schools Information Sharing:

### SD73 Administrative Procedures:

The purpose of SD73's administrative procedures are to inform all members of our school community of our shared obligations and responsibilities while in attendance at school, while travelling to and from school, and while attending a school function at any location.

AP 350.2 - [Student Dress Code](#)

AP 350 - [Student Code of Conduct](#)

AP 162 - [Smoking and Vaping Free Environment](#)

Additional APs can be found on the [District site](#).

### BDTA Fair Notice

Each year we are required to provide parents with Fair Notice protocol with respect to our BDTA protocol which is used when there is a risk to a student(s). Please find the [SD73](#) site.

## Brock School Goals:

At Brock we are working on two specific school goals:

**Academic Goal:** Through our shared values, we will strengthen our students' numeracy skills.

All students engage in Brock Numeracy tasks over the school year. All grade 10 and 11 students will participate in the Provincial Numeracy Assessment in the Semester the student has Math class.

**Well-Being Goal:** Brock will focus on students' sense of belonging to our school community where students feel safe, welcome and connected to the adults in our building.

