

Blair’s Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG) for Families:

January 20-24, 2025

Dear Blair Families,

We have just enjoyed a week full of clear, dry, and sunny days... seeming rare for a Richmond January, but very beneficial for our students! Thank you for those families who could join us for a frosty Friday morning walk today. Thank you for your continued support. Have a wonderful weekend!

-Mr. Livingston

Highlights For Next Week Include:

<p>Monday Jan. 20</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12:00 Pizza Day
<p>Tuesday Jan. 21</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:30 Parent Session with Hannah Beach
<p>Wednesday Jan. 22</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:00 Blair PAC Meeting (virtual)
<p>Thursday Jan. 23</p>	
<p>Friday Jan. 24</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 Div 7 and 8 Field Trip to Fraser River Discovery Centre

Jan 21 6:30pm Hannah Beach Parent Education Session

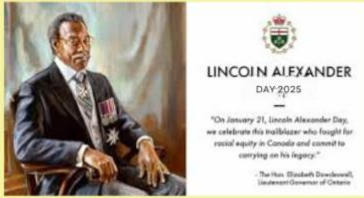
Jan 27 Pro D Day – No School for Students

Feb 14 Pro D Day – No School for Students

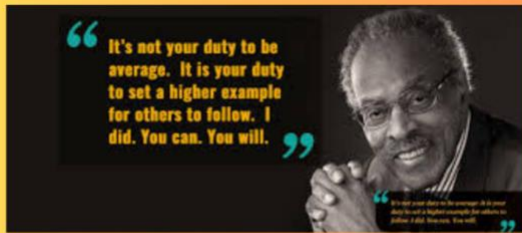
Feb 17 Family Day Holiday **No School in session**

Significant Dates in our Community

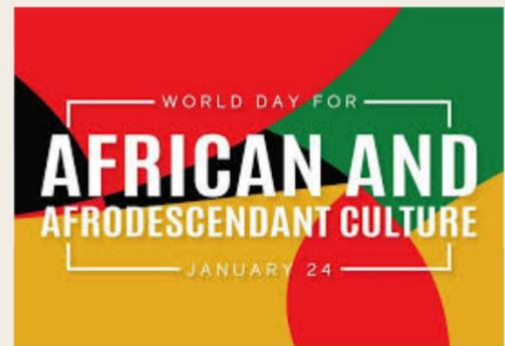
January is Tamil Heritage Month



Lincoln Alexander Day: Jan. 21
World Day for African and Afrodescendant Culture: Jan. 24



Lincoln Alexander Day is a Canadian observance celebrated annually on January 21st to honor the life and legacy of Lincoln MacCauley Alexander (1922–2012), a trailblazing politician, lawyer, and advocate for racial equality. Born in Toronto to West Indian immigrants, Alexander broke barriers as the first Black Member of Parliament (1968), the first Black federal Cabinet Minister, and the 24th Lieutenant Governor of Ontario (1985–1991). Throughout his career, he championed education, diversity, and social justice, inspiring countless Canadians. Designated in 2015, Lincoln Alexander Day commemorates his contributions to building a more inclusive society and celebrates his commitment to equality and public service.



World Day for African and Afrodescendant Culture is celebrated annually on January 24th to honor the rich diversity, creativity, and contributions of African and Afrodescendant cultures worldwide. Established by UNESCO in 2019, this day recognizes the cultural heritage, resilience, and achievements of people of African descent, promoting the values of inclusion, unity, and cultural dialogue. It highlights the role of African and Afrodescendant communities in shaping global art, music, literature, and traditions while raising awareness about their ongoing struggles for equity and justice. The observance encourages the preservation of cultural identities and fosters mutual respect among cultures.

Dress for the weather!



winter coat



rain coat



rain or
waterproof
snow boots



mittens



hats



scarf

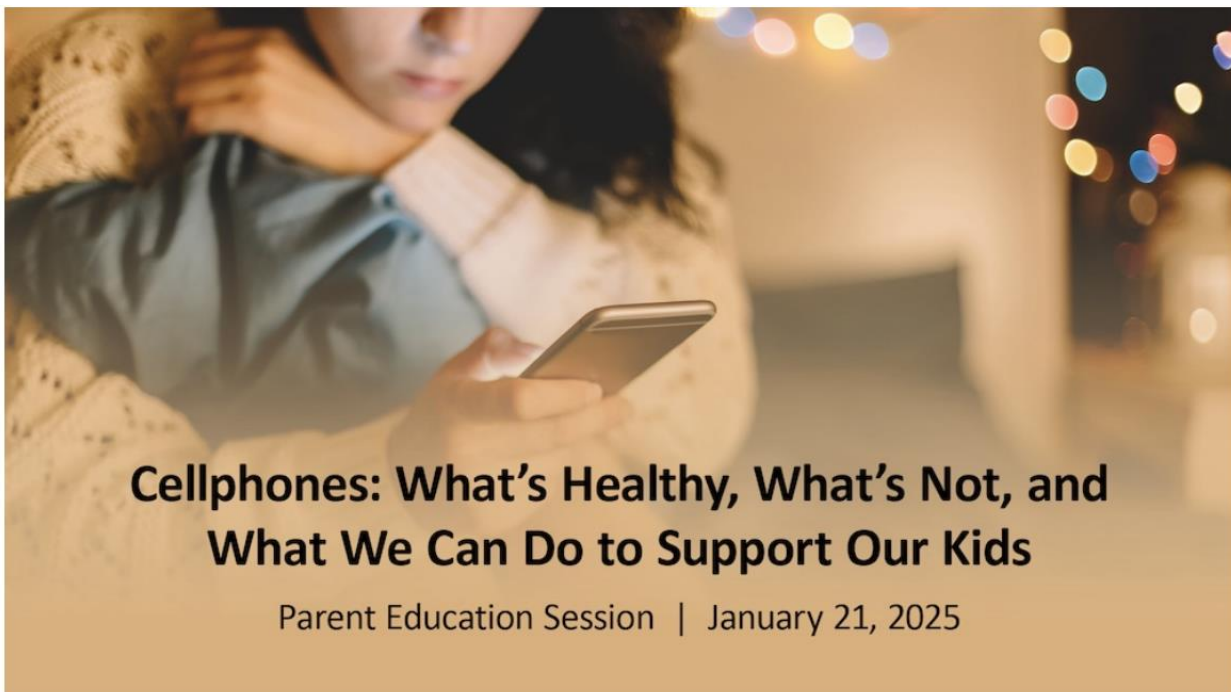


extra clothing
including socks

PAC Hot Lunches

January Hot Lunch Orders are available on MunchALunch!

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[\(please read more below!\)](#)

Presented by Hannah Beach
January 21, 2025 | 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Many of our kids are anxious and glued to their phones, seeking endless distraction and feeling isolated and disconnected. Aggressive outbursts have become common and yet others seem to have stopped talking all together. As parents and caregivers, we are increasingly alarmed. We entice, cajole, bribe, encourage, shout, but nothing seems to work long term.

Join Hannah for a warm and conversational workshop exploring practical strategies we can use to help our children and youth when it comes to managing devices. This conversation has never been more important as we look at how we can support our children and youth to grow, learn, develop, and reach their fullest potential.

Closed captioning in multiple languages will be available for participants.

[Click here to register](#)

About the Presenter **Hannah Beach**

Hannah Beach is an award-winning educator, author, emotional health consultant, and keynote speaker. She is the co-author of the best-selling book *Reclaiming Our Students: Why Children Are More Anxious, Aggressive, and Shut-Down than Ever — and What We Can Do About It*.

Hannah was recognized by the Canadian Human Rights Commission in 2017 as one of five featured changemakers in Canada. Her bestselling *I Can Dance* book series, supporting the emotional health of children through movement, play, and expression, won a 2017 Gold International Moonbeam Children’s Book Award. You can find her at hannahbeach.ca



Snacks & Facts

Learn how to build financial security through tax filing, accessing benefit and tax credits and putting your money to work through saving and investing.



Income Tax Benefits and Credits

Building Financial Security Tuesday, January 28, 2025

Presented by Family Services of Greater Vancouver

- learn about government benefit that can put money in your pockets
- find out about saving with TFSA, RESP and RDSPs

Income Tax Benefit and Credits Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Presented by Canada Revenue Agency

- find benefits and credits that you may be eligible for
- locate free tax clinics in Richmond

Workshops will be held:

- 2:00 – 4:00pm
- Ironwood Library
8200-11688 Steveston Hwy, Richmond
- Snacks provided, no registration needed



More information at:
richmond.ca/CommunityResources



RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT

PRO-D DAYS SPECIAL

Guests can receive up to **3 complimentary child/youth tickets** with the purchase of 1 paid adult ticket

JAN
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JAN
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FEB
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MAY
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STARTS JAN 25TH 2025

SATURDAY | 3:30-5:00PM

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If you are interested in volunteering please contact president@richmondlacrosse.com