





**VANCOUVER TECHNICAL
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Tech Talk – Parent Bulletin

WEEKS OF: NOVEMBER 9 – NOVEMBER 20, 2020

MONDAY NOV. 9	TUESDAY NOV. 10	WEDNESDAY NOV. 11	THURSDAY NOV. 12	FRIDAY NOV. 13
Q1R1	Q1R1	Classes not in session	Q1R2	Q1R2
		Remembrance Day 	Remembrance Day Assemblies  (Via Teams in F2F Classes)	
MONDAY NOV. 16	TUESDAY NOV. 17	WEDNESDAY NOV. 18	THURSDAY NOV. 19	FRIDAY NOV. 20
Q1R2	Q1R2	Q2R1	Q2R1	Q2R1
	Quarter 1 Ends	Quarter 2 Begins		Quarter 1 Report Cards Published on MyEd @ 3PM

Health & Safety Update

We want to share details with our community about how Vancouver Technical is responding to the new public health orders issued by Dr. Henry this past weekend.

At Vancouver Technical Secondary we will be reviewing and reinforcing our COVID-19 health and safety plans and procedures. We will also take time this week to review and reinforce health and safety protocols and procedures with all students. It is important to note that the new restrictions on social gatherings do not apply to schools. Also, group physical activities like physical education classes, are permitted to continue. As always, we will ensure all COVID-19 health and safety measures are followed in everything we do.

Van Tech staff has worked together to put in place protocols and practices that keep all students and staff safe. Currently, it is our collective responsibility to continue our efforts and ensure we all follow the guidelines that keep us safe:

- Maximize physical distancing
- Minimize physical contact
- Practice frequent and proper hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette
- Wear masks as appropriate and required
- Conscientiously complete the daily self-health check prior to arriving at Vancouver Technical

Dr. Henry notes the importance of having schools continue to operate under the current safety plans. All schools in the Vancouver School District have detailed procedures and protocols in place to do so. We want to thank you for your ongoing efforts to help keep Van Tech safe. If you have any questions, please contact our school office at 604-713-8215 to speak with your grade-based administrator.

Indigenous Veteran’s Day- November 8th

Did you know that First Nations served in the Canadian Military at a higher rate than any other group in this great nation? More than 4,000 Indigenous people served Canada in the First World War. In fact, First Nations, Inuit, and Métis people served Canada in all the great conflicts and peace support missions of the 20th century. People from the Cree, Haida, Black Foot, and many more... On this Aboriginal Veterans Day, we remember our Indigenous Veterans, as well as those who continue to serve in the Canadian Armed Forces. We also remember the more than 500 who made the ultimate sacrifice, as they helped protect peace and freedom over the years. Thank you to our Indigenous brothers and sisters who served and continue to serve this great nation. [Ministry of Veterans Affairs](http://www.veterans.gc.ca)

Remembrance Day

This year, while we cannot not gather physically to honour and remember those who fought and sacrificed for our peace and freedoms, we will be holding virtual assemblies in each face-to-face class on November 12. The Flex Humanities 8 Class have created a presentation for this year’s assembly following the theme, “Faire de memoire/Memory-as-Care”. The assembly will also include performances by our Chamber Choir and Senior Strings Orchestra.

Each student has also created a “reflection poppy” where they have responded to one of the following:

- Remembrance Day makes me think of....
- Remembrance Day makes me appreciate....
- Remembrance Day is more than past wars it can also be about...
- Remembrance Day affects more than the veterans, for example...

These poppies have been put on display in the main foyer and complement the displays by the All Nations Room, Student Council, and the Library.

If students would like to donate, there will be collection tins upon entry to the school this week and in the office. Donations collected during the Poppy Campaign are held in Trust at the Legion branch level to directly support Veterans and their families within OUR community and to help ensure Canadians ‘never forget’.

If you would prefer an online option, you can make a donation and purchase a VIRTUAL POPPY at:

<https://mypoppy.ca>

Student Achievement Reminders for End of Quarter 1

If your child received an Incomplete/In Progress Report (also known as an "I" Report) for any of their classes, it is crucial that they connect with their teacher(s) to make arrangements to complete the missed work. All students please note that all work must be submitted prior to the end of the Quarter to be assessed and evaluated for the Quarter Final Report. The end of the quarter is the end of the course and teachers are unable to accept work and assess work after the quarter ends.

ATHLETICS

Athletics is in Week 3 of socially-distanced training sessions, which have been a success so far! With no competition allowed with other schools, we have moved to a skill-building community model, where students who want to participate in an activity have the opportunity to do so, no matter the skill or experience level. Almost 200 students are participating in our after school clinics in sports such as: volleyball, soccer, badminton, and cross country running. In the new year, we hope to offer more opportunities for our students if we remain in the current phase (Phase 2) of BC School Sports' Return to School Sports Plan. Most information is posted in the Student Hub on Teams. Follow us on Instagram (@vantechatletics) for periodic updates as well!
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DAILY SCHEDULE

Warning Bell at 8:30 am*

F2F AM	→	8:40 AM to 10:25 AM
Flex AM	→	10:30 AM to 11:30 AM
Lunch	→	11:30 AM to 12:15 PM
Flex PM	→	12:15 PM to 1:15 PM
F2F PM	→	1:18 PM to 3:03 PM



WELLNESS TIP

Get moving! Studies show that regular exercise and exposure to light during the day contribute to fewer sleep problems and less depression. Taking a short walk can do wonders.

GENERAL REMINDERS

Parents are currently not allowed in the building **without** an appointment. Please contact the school office if you need to come in.

If possible, we encourage parents to book appointments (medical, dental etc) for their children during non face-to-face time. As the pace of classes are intensified in the quarter system, students may be missing valuable instructional time.

We are asking students to **not** congregate in the hallways and to not come into the building prior to 8:30am for F2F AM CLASSES and 1:05pm for F2F PM CLASSES, unless students are scheduled for an off-timetable class.

Students are asked to hand sanitize when entering, socially distance while in the building, wear masks in common areas, and remain on the right side of the hallways and stairwells while walking through the school.

Students should proceed directly to their classrooms and leave the building when their class has finished unless they are scheduled to attend a FLEX class. Also, students are not permitted to be in the building during lunch, unless they are attending an off-Timetable class.

PARENT RESOURCES

[Tips for Families- Learning from Home](#)

Digitally Responsible Youth Guide:

The Ministry of Education and Safer Schools Together have updated the [Raising Digitally Responsible Youth Guide for Parents](#) document. This is a great resource on how to navigate the online world with your child.

Resources, Links, & Information

[Intro to Teams](#): Introduction to using Microsoft Teams
[Teams \(Student\)](#): Student Resource for using Microsoft Teams for remote learning
[Teams \(Parent\)](#): Guidance for Parents as their child uses Microsoft Teams remote learning
[Tech's Technology](#) Tools: An overview of MyEd, Office365 & Teams for Van Tech Students
[MyEd Help Page](#): Basic step by step instructions for setting up and using your MyEd Account

Does your child need extra help with school work?

The **Student Learning Hub (Rm 315)** is a place for students to get extra face-to-face support with our excellent SSAs and resource team. The **10:30-11:30 AM Flex time is a drop-in time for ALL students**. Students must practice good hand hygiene and wear a mask while in the Student Learning Hub

CONTACT INFORMATION



Vancouver Technical Administration

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Ms. Sangeeta Kauldher, Vice-Principal (Grades 9,11)
Ms. Sonja Rondestvedt, Vice-Principal (Grades 8,10)

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