



# CAMBIE FAMILY WAAG

## January 5-9, 2026

Monday January 5	Tuesday January 6	Wednesday January 7	Thursday January 8	Friday January 9
DCBA	Block D 8:30 – 9:38 PLT 9:43 – 10:31 Block C 10:36 – 11:44 Recess 11:44 – 11:59 Block B 11:59 – 1:07 Lunch 1:07 – 1:52 Block A 1:52 – 3:00	Collab 8:30 – 9:45 Block D 9:50 – 10:50 Block C 10:55 – 11:55 Recess 11:55 – 12:05 Block B 12:10 – 1:10 Lunch 1:10 – 1:50 Block A 1:55 – 2:55  Staff Collaboration Block Classes Start at 9:50am  Grade 8/9 Boys Basketball Tournament	Block D 8:30 – 9:38 PLT 9:43 – 10:31 Block C 10:36 – 11:44 Recess 11:44 – 11:59 Block B 11:59 – 1:07 Lunch 1:07 – 1:52 Block A 1:52 – 3:00  Common PLT: Getting the Most Out of AI  Grade 8/9 Boys Basketball Tournament	DCBA      Grade 8/9 Boys Basketball Tournament
School Reopens				

**Celebrating Cambie Classrooms**  
Tasty and creative treats. Our **Foods** classes have been working hard and having fun designing and creating these artistic treats! Well done!!



Students in the **Medical Sciences** class have been practicing their triage skills as they prepare for a practical exam.

Each student has a role to play in their practice scenarios - patient, and responders. The responders have two roles, one actively assessing the patient, and the other tracking the results and, together the responders collaborate to determine the extent of the injury and form a plan for medical response. Important work!



### COMMON PLT DAYS

Date	Theme	Topic
Jan 8, 2026	Getting the Most Out of AI	Prompt Engineering
Feb 12, 2026	Getting the Most Out of AI	AI Enhanced Communication
Mar 5, 2026	Getting the Most Out of AI	AI Agents – Productivity
Apr 2, 2026	Fostering Creativity Through Artificial Intelligence	AI as a Creative Partner: Supporting the Creative Process
May 21, 2026	Fostering Creativity Through Artificial Intelligence	AI as a Creative Partner: Supporting Creative Production

**Helping students make productive choices for their Personalized Learning time (PLT)**  
Parents, please help us support your child with their learning. Students have access to sign up to specific teacher's classes for PLTs via their devices by using links found with the MySchoolDay App and the Cambie School website. We expect that students will sign up to a learning space that best supports their work in their classes. Please ask them to show you what they have signed up over the weekend for the coming Tuesday and Thursday sessions. This would go a long way to help students organize their time. Students can sign up several sessions in advance.

DATES TO REMEMBER:	
Jan. 5	First Day Back after Winter Break
Jan. 7	Staff Collaboration Block: Classes 9:50am
Jan. 7-9	Grade 8/9 Boys Basketball Tournament
Jan. 8	Common PLT: Getting the Most Out of AI
Jan. 8	PAC Meeting (6:30pm – All parents invited)
Jan. 12	Provincial Assessments – Gr. 10 & Gr. 12
Jan. 13-15	Grad Photo Session
Jan. 14-16	Jr/Sr Boys Basketball Tournament
Jan. 20	Cambie Open House Gr. 7 Parent Informaiton Evening 6:30pm @ Gym A Gr. 8-11 Parent Program Planning Q&A 7:15pm @ Library
Jan. 21	Hot Lunch – Gr. 10, 11, & 12
Jan. 22	Last Day of Classes (Semester 1)
Jan. 23	Pro-D Day
Jan. 26	Learning Completion Day
Jan. 26-30	Cambie Theatre Production
Jan. 27	Block Rotation: A-B-C-D First Day of Sem 2
Jan. 27 & 29	No PLT – Classes start at 8:30am

**Happy Holidays to all of our Cambie Coyote Families!**

Thank you to the Student council members and sponsors, Ms. Masaki and Mr. Hamm for setting up and running this festive event. Thank you to Mr. Naluz and his talented musicians — Great solo Lucid!

Following the feast for the Cambie Coyotes, Applewood Nissan, Santa, and our musicians shared a pancake breakfast for the grade 6/7s from our Family of schools- McNeeley, Mitchell and Tait Elementary schools.

Thank you too, to Applewood Nissan for their generous donations of the pancake supplies and their staff's time as they worked to serve up hundreds of pancakes. We appreciate this festive gift and volunteer spirit.

We wish you all a safe and restful break and a happy and bright New Year.  
– Ms. Timmins, Ms. Hui and Mr. Ngo



**The UBC Faculty of Forestry**  
Upcoming monthly information sessions:  
- January 13  
- February 12  
- March 12 (featuring a student panel)  
Students can [register here](#).  
These sessions are designed for high school students who are curious about the environment, sustainability, and the great outdoors. Participants will hear directly from our undergraduate advisors and have the chance to ask questions in an open, welcoming setting. Parents and educators are also encouraged to attend.

# Bright Futures

## Energy Changemakers

Empowers young women in Metro Vancouver to lead the clean energy transition  
Explores net-zero technologies, renewable energy solutions, and energy-sector careers  
Provides opportunities to learn from industry professionals  
Connects participants with like-minded peers

### Program Overview

**When:**  
January - March 2026

**Format:**  
2 online training sessions (Energy Types and Energy Policy)  
1 in-person case competition: *Future Energy Systems Challenge*

**Who:**  
Young women and gender-diverse youth aged 14-18 in Metro Vancouver

**Goal:**  
Educate, empower, and encourage youth to participate in the clean energy transition

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**UBC & SFU's Bright Futures: Energy Changemakers 3 Day Youth Program**

UBC & SFU's Bright Futures: Energy Changemakers is a 3-day youth program running between January and March, designed for young women and gender-diverse students aged 14-18 in Metro Vancouver. The program includes two online workshops focused on clean energy and sustainability topics, followed by one in-person case competition where students collaborate, think creatively, and propose innovative energy solutions. Participants in the case competition will have the chance to win up to \$300 in prizes. Please see the attached flyer with QR code to apply. Any questions contact Pardeep Ranouta at Student Energy SFU: [sfu@studentenergy.ca](mailto:sfu@studentenergy.ca).

### VOLUNTEER INTERPRETERS NEEDED

The Richmond School District is seeking individuals who are fluent in English and other languages to join our Volunteer Interpreter Team.

Help strengthen communication between schools and families by providing language support during parent teacher conferences. Your involvement helps ensure every family feels welcomed and informed.

Training is provided. All languages welcome.

To express your interest, please email your CV before January 16, 2026 to: [culturalinterpreters@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:culturalinterpreters@sd38.bc.ca)

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RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Volunteer Cultural Interpreters Needed**

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**Things to do this Winter Break in Richmond**

Take in the creative festive light displays while wandering throughout Steveston Village, City Hall Plaza, Britannia Shipyards and other areas of the city, drop-in for a Winter Wonderland public skating session or a family swim at Minoru Centre for Active Living and so much more. There are also lots of holiday-themed and regular programs this season including crafts, music, social gatherings, sports, and winter daycamps for children. [Click here for schedules and holiday hours](#) for all City facilities.

Winter Wonderland Skating at Minoru Arenas - Dec. 12 to Jan. 4  
Set under a canopy of twinkly lights with festive music, bring your family and friends to the City of Richmond's annual wintertime activity. Open to all ages and abilities - wheelchairs too! Regular admission rates apply. [Click here](#) to view the Winter Wonderland schedule.

**Provincial Literacy Assessments: January 12**

The Grade 10 and Grade 12 Literacy Assessments will take place on Monday, January 12, 2026. The schedule is now posted outside the office. [Look for your name and note the date, time, and location of your assessment. ALL students MUST write during the date/session assigned.](#)

Grade 10 Literacy Assessment: 8:40am - 11:40am  
Grade 12 Literacy Assessment: 12:00am - 3:00pm

Make sure you do the following on the day of assessment:

- Bring Picture ID
- Arrive at least 15 minutes early for sign-in
- Students assigned to Lab B142 MUST know your Teams login ID and password



**Grad 2026 Photo Sessions**  
**Individual Portraits**

Artona Photography will be coming to Cambie from January 13 - 15 with their mobile photography studio, so students just need to come to the school for their appointment (mobile site in the parking lot). [Please book your photo session as soon as possible!](#) Grad sessions take both casual and formal photos, including one for the school yearbook and school composite. Students and families can view and purchase their photos online, with both digital and print options available. All grade 12 students are expected to book an individual photo appointment so that their portrait can be included in the yearbook and on the composite that will hang in our school hallway for years to come.

There is no cost to book an appointment, but there is a \$60 deposit to secure the booking, which may be used toward a purchase later. The deposit is refunded if you decide not to make a purchase. Artona offers a Financial Aid Program to support families who are experiencing financial hardship and would like assistance in participating in a grad photo session. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Ms. Hui for more information. Book your appointment online at <https://artona.com/bookings>.

**Grad Group Photos**

Time to celebrate and create memories with your crew! [Grad group photos with up to 10 people are now available for booking.](#) The one-night event will take place in Cambie's Rotunda on February 17 from 4:30-9pm: \$20 per person for one photo, or \$25 per person for all photos. All grad group photos will also be sent to the school to be included in the yearbook. Book an appointment online at <https://artona.com/bookings>.

**School Scholarship Nomination Form (for external scholarships) - now available**

Every year, the Ministry of Education and some post-secondary or private institutions offer major entrance scholarships and awards that allow schools to nominate deserving students. If you're interested in being considered for Cambie's nomination, please complete the brief application below. Once all applications are submitted, Cambie's selection committee will review them and choose the school nominees.

- Application [deadline is January 12, 2026](#) to be considered for the following external scholarships:
- Schulich Leader Scholarship
  - Cmolik Foundation Scholarship
  - BC Excellence Scholarship

**[H.J. Cambie Secondary School Scholarship Nomination Form 2025-2026](#)**

Go to the [student scholarship information section](#) of the website for additional information!

**Registration for the City's Youth Civic Engagement Program is now open!**

## Youth Civic Engagement Program 2026

Making a difference in your community starts here  
7-week education-to-action program

For youth 15-20 years

January 21-March 4  
Wednesdays, 4:30-6:30pm  
Richmond City Hall  
Course ID: 104712188

Register today!  
Phone: 604-276-4300  
Online: [richmond.ca/register](https://richmond.ca/register)  
Contact us: [youthengagement@richmond.ca](mailto:youthengagement@richmond.ca)

[richmond.ca/youth](https://richmond.ca/youth)

This is a free seven-week education to action program that gives youth ages 15-20 an opportunity to learn more about local government and the decision-making processes that shape our community. As part of the program, youth will get an opportunity to work together on a project that sparks their interests and present their ideas to a mock City Council.

**Program Details:**

Wednesdays from January 21 to March 4, 2026  
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.  
Richmond City Hall  
Event ID: 00479188

Interested youth can register for the program [here](#), by calling 604-276-4300 (Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) or in person at a community centre or recreation facility.



**Richmond Lacrosse Association - Try Lacrosse - Free to All Players**

Richmond Lacrosse Association is providing an opportunity for kids to learn about Canada's National summer sport and its history. Please see the attached flyer for December 10th date at Steves Elementary, and January-March 2026 dates at Diefenbaker Elementary.