

**September 23, 2024**

**Kamloops School of the Arts Secondary School**  
*Collaboration Day Information for Parents*

Dear Secondary Paren(t)s and Guardian(s),

We are excited to inform you about our upcoming Secondary **Collaboration Days** at Kamloops School of the Arts- Secondary. These sessions are designed to provide a valuable opportunity for secondary teachers to engage in **Collaborative Inquiry**, fostering a learning environment where educators can focus on new strategies to support student growth. Collaboration Days will take place on the following dates:

- **September 26**
- **October 31**
- **November 28**
- **January 30**
- **February 27**
- **April 24**
- **May 29**
- **June 19**

**Schedule for Collaboration Days:**

<u>Block</u>	<u>Time</u>
First Bell	8:20 AM
SP-Collaboration	8:30 AM - 9:34 AM
Block D	9:34 AM - 10:38 AM
Long Break	10:38 AM - 10:58 AM
Block A	10:58 AM - 12:02 PM
Lunch	12:02 PM - 12:50 PM
Block C	12:50 PM - 1:54 PM
Block B	1:54 PM - 2:54 PM

During the **Collaboration Block** (8:30 - 9:34 AM), secondary teachers will work in teams to explore ways to enhance student learning. The focus of this time will be on **Collaborative Inquiry**, which encourages teachers to engage in reflective discussions and informed action.

Students are invited to come to school at the regular time in the morning (8:30 am) and will be supervised by a selection of secondary teachers and Certified Education Assistants to catch up on school work, participate in a school club or spend time reading a novel. Students who are caught up on their school work have the option to come for the start of D block which will start at 9:34 am. As per the new technology policy, cell phones and any other devices that connect to the internet will not be allowed during the collaboration block.

Please note: This new Collaboration schedule **ONLY** affects secondary students, elementary students will continue to follow regular scheduled day.

We value your support in ensuring your child's participation on these important days. If you have any questions or would like further information, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

Sincerely,

Blair Lloyd  
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