



# Mount Slesse Middle School

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Dear Mount Slesse Parents, Guardians, and Students,

On behalf of our talented, dynamic, and enthusiastic staff, we welcome you to Mount Slesse Middle School. We are eager and excited to work with you this year. A special welcome to all of the new families joining us this year! We will do everything possible to make your middle school experience as stress-free as possible.

Some important information:

- A **School Supplies** list is posted on our website and is available at Staples.
- The first day of school is **Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 8:33 am – 10:30 am** – buses will be running at this time. When students arrive at school, Core Class Lists will be posted **inside the school on the windows of the office and throughout the school**. When the bell rings, students will then proceed to their Core Classroom. Students will need a pen and pencil this day.
- In their Core Class, students will receive a timetable, fee invoice, student planner, and be assigned a locker. We urge parents and students to read the contents of the **Mount Slesse Middle School Student Planner**, which includes all of the school routines, expectations, and bell schedule.
- **Beginning September 4<sup>th</sup>**, school will be in session from **8:33 am – 2:11 pm**. Students will need their student planner and a pen and pencil as they will be learning all school expectations during our Timberwolf P.R.I.D.E. Day.
- **Beginning September 5<sup>th</sup>**, students are expected to have all of their **school supplies**, including appropriate **gym strip**.
- Once school begins, our counsellors, **Mrs. McAlpine (last names A – K)** and **Mr. Brent Pinckney (last names L – Z)**, will be available **by appointment** to assist parents and students with educational and personal concerns. During the first few weeks, they will be very busy enrolling new students and ensuring students have appropriate class placements.

We believe that successful student learning is based on consistent communication between teachers, students and parents. We will continue to inform you in a timely manner about your child's education, successes and challenges. If you have concerns, please contact our teachers directly through email or by telephone. For current information about our school, teacher emails, and homework pages, please use our website: [msms.sd33.bc.ca](http://msms.sd33.bc.ca).

We encourage parents to get involved at Mount Slesse Middle School whether it be through volunteering, PAC, fieldtrips, fundraising, attending assemblies, communicating with teachers, and supporting programs such as athletics, band, etc. Our first **PAC meeting is on Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 9 am** in our library. Everyone is welcome.

Our commitment to you is that we will continue to create opportunities for your child to learn, grow and explore with the help of a caring network of supportive staff.

You are always welcome at Mount Slesse Middle School; please check in at the office so we can help you. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school.

Sincerely,

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