



Skills, Strategies and Opportunities



Strategies - to be successful in middle school and beyond

1) Staying on top of things

HOW?

Checking Google Calendar

Checking Google Classroom

Checking Gmail for communications from teachers and peers

The screenshot shows a Google Calendar for October 2024. The calendar is viewed in a weekly layout. The days of the week are labeled at the top: SUN 29, MON 30, TUE 1 Oct, WED 2, THU 3, FRI 4, SAT 5. The calendar shows various events and activities, including:

- Monday, October 30:** National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (yellow background).
- Tuesday, October 1:** 7:30am Girls Volleyball, 3pm Boys/Girls Volleyb.
- Wednesday, October 2:** 7:30am Boys Volleyball, 1:10pm Schoolwide Kal.
- Thursday, October 3:** 7:30am Girls Volleyball.
- Friday, October 4:** 12:45pm Volleyball Pep, 4pm Jr A Girls Volleyba.
- Saturday, October 5:** (No events listed).
- Sunday, October 6:** (No events listed).
- Monday, October 7:** Sci-Topic #1-3 Quiz, 7:30am Boys Volleyball.
- Tuesday, October 8:** Sci-Watershed Presentatio, 7:30am Girls Volleyball, 3pm Boys/Girls Volleyb, 4:30pm Grizzly X-Count.
- Wednesday, October 9:** 7:30am Boys Volleyball, 10am Cross Country So.
- Thursday, October 10:** Banded Peak Photo Day, 7:30am Girls Volleyball.
- Friday, October 11:** Professional Learning Day.
- Saturday, October 12:** (No events listed).
- Sunday, October 13:** (No events listed).
- Monday, October 14:** Thanksgiving Day (regiona).
- Tuesday, October 15:** 7:30am Girls Volleyball, 3pm Boys/Girls Volleyb.
- Wednesday, October 16:** 7:30am Boys Volleyball.
- Thursday, October 17:** 7:30am Girls Volleyball.
- Friday, October 18:** 1:05pm House Assemb, 4pm Jr A Girls Volleyba.
- Saturday, October 19:** (No events listed).
- Sunday, October 20:** (No events listed).
- Monday, October 21:** Sci-Ocean Food Web, 7:30am Boys Volleyball.
- Tuesday, October 22:** National Question (7 & 8), 7:30am Girls Volleyball, 3pm Boys/Girls Volleyb.
- Wednesday, October 23:** 7:30am Boys Volleyball.
- Thursday, October 24:** 7:30am Girls Volleyball.
- Friday, October 25:** 4pm Jr A Girls Volleyba.
- Saturday, October 26:** Drillers Invitational Volley.
- Sunday, October 27:** (No events listed).
- Monday, October 28:** 7:30am Boys Volleyball.
- Tuesday, October 29:** Jr A Boys Volleyball Divisi.
- Wednesday, October 30:** Jr A Girls Volleyball Divisi.
- Thursday, October 31:** Halloween, 2pm Halloween Parade.
- Friday, November 1:** Self-Directed Professional.
- Saturday, November 2:** (No events listed).

Strategies

2) Doing Homework

HOW?

Set a time, duration and place that works

Involve your parents - have them look over your work and provide feedback

Don't avoid - create good habits so the transition to high school isn't so challenging.



Strategies

3) Communicating with your teachers

HOW?

Asking questions in class

Ask to have work looked over

Ask for redo's of assignments and major tests

Check PowerSchool regularly and talk to your teachers about your assessments - take feedback and apply it!!!

Send emails - it makes us feel needed:)



Strategies

4) Taking advantage of tools provided

HOW?

When teachers provide rubrics, exemplars, and checklists, use them

When teachers provide toolkits, use them

When teachers allow you to use notes in tests, keep your notes organized and use them!

When teachers provide feedback on assessments - take the time to read it and apply it to future assessments



Strategies

5) Staying organized

HOW?

Use an agenda or something to stay organized

Put papers in binders where they belong

Don't treat your locker like a dumpster

Stay digitally organized - **“Untitled Documents” GALORE!!!**



Strategies

5) Advocating for yourself

HOW?

Ask for the things you need to learn best

Make good seating/partner choices

Have balance in your life

Fight for your marks, question assessments, ask for extensions when necessary



7/8 Opportunities

Leadership



- school store, child-minding, front office coverage, announcements, volunteering, fundraising, planning special events, reading Halloween stories to Kinders
- West Side Middle School Leadership group
- Mentorship

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Options/Complementary Classes

- 2 option classes, 2x per week

Sports

- playing on teams (volleyball, basketball, badminton, track and field etc.)
- student coaches
- scorekeeping at tournaments

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Buddies

- Reading with the 3/4s on Mondays
- Celebrating special events together
- Monthly collaboration



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Field trips

- Bragg Creek Provincial Park
- SAIT Digital Youth Studio
- Spray Lakes
- Cross Country Ski Trip
- Backcountry Camping Trips

