

Monthly Newsletter

SWIS RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT
Settlement Workers
In Schools

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Welcome to the Richmond School District and to the 2024-2025 School Year!

The Settlement Workers in Schools (SWIS) program provides settlement support and services for immigrants, refugees and newcomer families in the Richmond School District. Our team works in schools and offer services such as:

- One-to-one and Family Orientations
- Online and in-person Information Workshops
- Referrals and Connections to Community Resources
- Community Connection Activities and Experiences

Each month, families will receive a newsletter listing upcoming events and/or activities that they can participate in. These workshops and group activities are wonderful ways to connect with community resources, meet new people and learn useful information.

We look forward to meeting and working with you!

SWIS November Activities

ADULT CONVERSATION CIRCLE – ACC

Learn and practice English in these fun and friendly sessions!

Date: Every Friday

Time: 10 - 11:30 am on Zoom

Registration: <https://is.gd/jzLlkq>

Learn and practice daily life English in conversation with other newcomer parents. Suitable for high beginner and intermediate (CLB 3-7) levels.

Location: General Currie Heritage School House, 8220 General Currie Rd

Date: Every Tuesday

Time: 10 - 11:30 am

Registration: click on this [Registration Link](#)

YOUTH CONVERSATION CIRCLE - YCC

For youth in high school, learn and practice English while meeting new friends!

Location: Brighthouse Richmond Public Library, 2nd Floor (7700 Minoru Gate)

Date: Every Thursday

Time: 4 - 5:30 pm

Registration: <https://forms.office.com/r/1d0egZsxRR>

YOUTH CONNECTIONS LUNCH PROGRAM

For youth in high school. Check the registration link for your school schedule.

Location: various schools

Date: Weekdays

Time: 12- 1 pm

Registration: <https://forms.office.com/r/8WfJrt5dc>

ELL (English Learning Language) - Introduction to ELL Learning Support

What parents/guardians need to know about ELL supports; what it looks like in both Elementary and High Schools and how parents can support their children

Location: Brighthouse Richmond Public Library, 2nd Floor (7700 Minoru Gate)

Session 1 in English: Thursday, November 7, 10:00am - 12:00pm

Registration: click on this [Registration Link](#)

Session 2 in Chinese: Thursday, November 21, 10am - 12pm

Registration: click on this [Registration Link](#)

ELL BOOK CLUB

For Intermediate ELL learners to improve reading and speaking skills in a friendly group conversation setting.

Date: November 5 & 19, 2024 (10am – 11:30am)

Location: Brighthouse Richmond Public Library, 2nd Floor (7700 Minoru Gate)

Registration: <https://forms.office.com/r/0yS6aaE2rM>

YOUTH Special CONVERSATION CIRCLE - YCC

For youth in high school. Have fun building English language skills through improv games

Location: Brighthouse Richmond Public Library, 2nd Floor (7700 Minoru Gate)

Date: Thursday, November 7

Time: 4 - 5:30 pm

Registration: <https://forms.office.com/r/7Jut0rFaJp>

FIELD TRIP (Nutrition Tour: Save-On-Food)

Join us for a nutrition tour with an experienced dietitian who will explain how to make balanced and nutritious choices, and how to read and understand food labels. Note: There will be two repeated tours in the morning, please **register for ONLY one tour**. Each hour long tour is limited to 12 participants.

Location: Save-On-Food, 9100 Blundell Rd, Richmond, BC V6Y 3X9

Date: Thursday, November 7

Time: 10 AM - 12 PM (two-time slots)

Registration: click on this [Registration Link](#)

FAMILY SMART TEAM- PEER SUPPORT

Information and strategies to help teenagers cope.

Date: Wed, November 13th

Time: 10am- 11:30am on Zoom

Registration: <https://is.gd/dtkoca>

MY TWEEN & ME is a program for parents of 6- to 13-year-old “Tweens”.

It is an entertaining, informative program that will help you learn how to connect with your “Tween” and will help them make safe and healthy choices especially during their teen years. This workshop also helps new immigrant parents to learn more about Canadian family values and appreciate the cultural diversity in our schools and learn about community resources.

Location: Brighthouse Richmond Public Library, 2nd Floor (7700 Minoru Gate)

Session 1: Thursday, Nov 14, 10:00 am - 12:00pm

Session 2: Thursday, Nov 28, 10:00 am - 12:00pm

Registration <https://forms.office.com/r/PiuuDmgnDd>

ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

介绍BC省的医疗系统 了解如何就医以及付费和免费的医疗服务等.

Date: Friday Nov. 22

Time: 10 - 11:30 am on Zoom

Registration: <https://forms.office.com/r/pnZbUL3iZh>

SNACK & TALK

Join us and learn how to prepare a healthy new snack while expanding your English conversation level.

Location: Cambie Community Centre, Board Room. 12800Cambie Rd, Richmond, BC, V6V 0A9

Date: Thursday, Nov. 28th

Time: 9:30 AM - 11 AM

Registration: click on this [Registration Link](#)

YOUTH ARTS & CRAFTS

Join us to do some arts and craft, have fun and practice English

Location: General Currie Heritage School House, 8220 General Currie Rd.

Date: TBA

Time: 4pm

Registration: <https://forms.office.com/r/sKAwjDQ5hq>

The Richmond School District acknowledges and thanks the First Peoples of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm' (hun-ki-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.