

September 7 – September 11, 2026

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Marlin Strong: Every student, every day, whatever it takes!
Welcome to a New School Year at McNair Secondary!

As we begin the 2026-2027 school year, we are excited to welcome students, families, staff, and community members back to McNair Secondary. A new school year brings new beginnings, fresh opportunities, and the promise of growth as we continue our journey of learning together. This year, we embrace the theme of **Hope**.

Hope is more than optimism. Hope is the belief that positive outcomes are possible and that our actions today can create opportunities for a brighter tomorrow. It is the confidence to face challenges, the courage to persevere, and the determination to continue growing, even when the path forward is uncertain.

At McNair, we believe that hope flourishes when students feel connected, supported, and valued. Through meaningful relationships, engaging learning experiences, and a strong sense of belonging, we strive to create an environment where every student can develop confidence in their abilities and believe in their potential. Hope grows when students experience success, discover their strengths, and recognize that setbacks are opportunities to learn and grow.

Learning is not confined to classrooms or textbooks. It is a lifelong journey of discovery, reflection, and growth. Every day presents an opportunity to learn something new, challenge our thinking, and develop a deeper understanding of ourselves and the world around us. As learners, we build hope by remaining curious, embracing new perspectives, and believing that growth is always possible.

Hope is also strengthened by community. Our students, families, staff, and community partners each play an important role in creating a culture where everyone feels welcomed, respected, and empowered to succeed. Together, we build the confidence, connections, and support systems that help all learners thrive.

This year, let us embrace hope as both a mindset and a commitment. Let us encourage one another, celebrate progress, and continue building a **Caring Community of Learners** that is proudly **Marlin Strong**. By fostering confidence, belonging, and achievement, we can ensure that every student feels capable of reaching their goals and shaping a positive future.

Whether you are returning to McNair or joining our community for the first time, we are glad you are here. **Championing Students and Their Learning Through Hope, Confidence, and Connection.**

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Sept 15	Earthquake and Evacuation Drill (Block B-beginning)
Sept 15	Health and Safety Meeting
Sept 21	Grad Fest Lunch
Sept 22	Terry Fox School Wide Run (Block C)
Sept 23	Post Secondary Fair 10:00 – 11:30
Sept 24	Meet the Teacher Night
Sept 24	Photo Day
Sept 25	Pro-D Day
Sept 29	Orange Shirt Day
Sept 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (School Closed)

Course Changes

On Wednesday, the counsellors will be seeing students with **incomplete timetables only during the period that is empty**. Students wishing to request a change can submit their request through a webform. There is a QR code posted on the counselling centre door and window. *Students should continue to attend the classes on their printed schedules until they receive a new schedule*

First Day Schedule

8:00am	Morning Arrival (Coffee/Doughnuts)
8:30 am	Morning Staff Meeting (Health & Safety Orientation)
10:00am	Student Orientations Start
12:15pm	Staff Lunch – Grab and Go
2:00pm	Orientation for New Staff

First Day Student Orientations

Gr 8:	Assembly at 10:00 AM in Large Gym, Homeroom to follow
Gr 9-10:	Assembly at 11:30 AM in Large Gym, Homeroom to follow
Gr 11-12:	Assembly at 1:00 PM in Large Gym, Homeroom to follow

Mini School Orientation: 11:00 - 11:30 AM

****Mini School students are also expected to attend their Grade orientation/assembly at the appropriate time listed above****

Attendance – First Week

It is very important that we have accurate attendance records as early as possible so that we can confirm who is attending/not attending for this year. Please review the attendance information in the start-up procedures document and send homeroom attendance to the office as early as possible.

Student attendance for all classes should be entered directly into MyEd beginning Wednesday morning. If a student is not on your MyEd list, please ask them to follow their printed schedule or see their counsellor if they believe they should be in your class. For any issues with your MyEd attendance, please see Ian.