

# Report to Council

Mid High Principal - Sept. 2025

Welcome to Westmount!

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BACK to  
SCHOOL

Westmount Mid High is thrilled to welcome over 900 students (901 to be exact) to our campus for the upcoming school year! A special welcome goes out to the 94 new Grade 5 students joining us from the Elementary campus, along with the 77 students who are brand new to Westmount.

We look forward to an exciting and rewarding year with all of our students and their families!

Welcome to our New Staff

We're excited to introduce the newest members of our Mid High Campus team! They bring wonderful energy and expertise, and we know they'll make a positive impact on our students.

- Mrs. Zabrina Cornelisse – High School Science / Physics
- Ms. Kelsy Crandell – Band / Music
- Ms. Bailee Debaar – Grade 6 (covering for Mr. Earle)
- Ms. Geraldine Guevarra – High School Math
- Ms. Maddison Neil – Physical Education
- Mr. Mo Taleb – Learning Commons Technician
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We're thrilled to have them join our community and look forward to the year ahead!





## Westmount & The new Alberta Government Policies

## School Happenings

Westmount Charter School is committed to fostering a safe, supportive, and positive learning environment for all students.

Over the summer, the Government of Alberta introduced changes through provincial legislation that took effect on September 1, 2025. These updates apply to all school authorities in Alberta, including charter schools such as Westmount. In response, we have updated our Administrative Procedures to reflect these requirements. You can review the updated procedures on our website here: [Administrative Procedures](#).

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to our administrative team—we are happy to support you.





## School Happenings

### Cross Country Running



Our Cross Country team is off to a running start! (pun intended) Student athletes have been training hard and are ready for some fun competition. (Check Schoology for Locations)

#### Grade 5 -9 races:

- Wednesday September 17
- Monday September 22
- Wednesday September 24
- Wednesday October 1<sup>st</sup>

#### High School races:

- Tuesday September 23
- Wednesday October 1st
- Wednesday October 8th
- Saturday October 18<sup>th</sup> (Provincials)

Fans and Families are always encouraged to come out and cheer on our competitors!

### Volleyball

Volleyball season is underway! Tryouts are currently taking place for our Senior Girls, Junior Boys, and Junior Girls teams. Our Senior Boys have already hit the court, competing in a friendly tournament in Red Deer where they went 3-2, including a nail-biter against last year's provincial champions.

Please check Schoology for competition dates and times—and come cheer on your WILD at our home games!





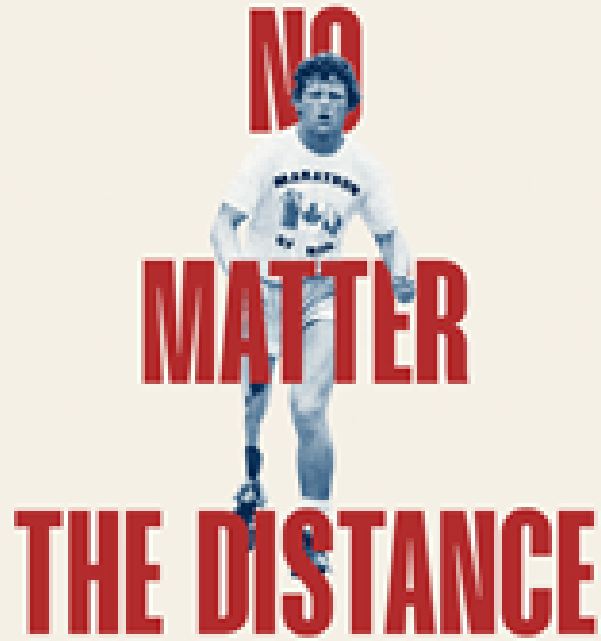
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### Terry Fox

In honor of those who have battled and/or are currently battling cancer, we are coming together for the Terry Fox Marathon of Hope on Friday, Sept. 19th.

If you would like to donate to this years event, you can do so here:

Terry Fox Westmount Donation Link:  
<https://schools.terryfox.ca/98130>



### Band Head Start Clinics

We're excited to share that our Head Start initiative is back again this year!

Students in Grades 5, 6, 7, and 8 will each have their own Head Start Night—brush-up sessions with professional musicians designed to build confidence and set the tone for a great year in band.

The Head Start night schedule is as follows:

Grade 8: September 16, 6:00- 8:00 pm  
Grade 7: September 23, 6:00- 8:00 pm  
Grade 6: September 30, 6:00- 8:00 pm  
Grade 5: October 7, 6:00- 8:00 pm





## Clubs

## School Happenings

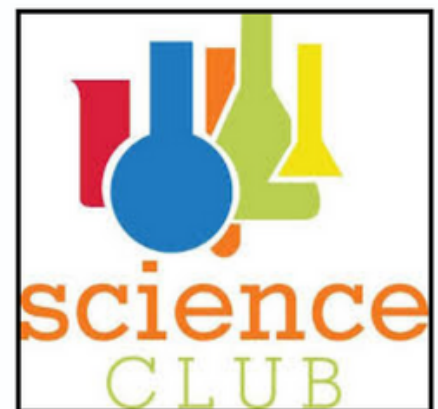
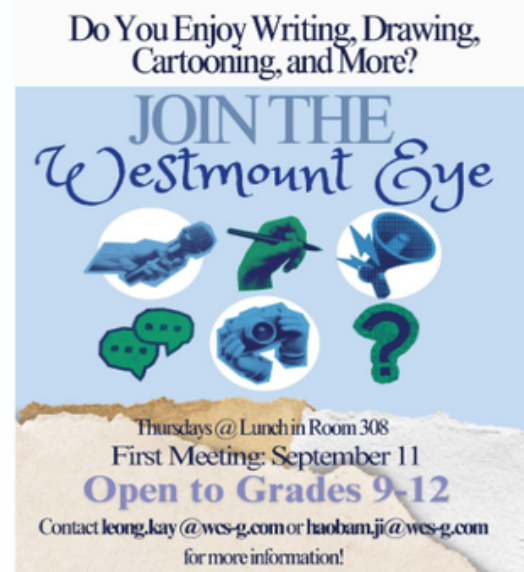
Clubs are a key part of what makes Westmount special. They offer students a chance to explore their interests and connect with like-minded peers. Westmount boasts a wide variety of clubs, and at the end of the month, we'll be hosting a club fair where students can learn all the details—when, where, and what each club offers.

In the meantime, students can find out which clubs have already started by checking the announcements or the TV at the school entrance or by checking the [Mid High Club](#) list online

Here are a few examples of clubs that are already up and running.



# SPEECH CLUB!





## Shaping School Culture



In August, Mid High staff worked with Tanya Keto, a Westmount alumna and currently a registered psychologist with the Avery Group. The focus of the day was on understanding anxiety and its impacts.

## Staff Happenings

Staff at the Mid High campus are continuing their exploration of 'Shaping School Culture' This year our learning is addressing "How we overcome Adversity"

Our staff will be addressing this theme in two distinct ways.

- 1) Building our professional understanding regarding our twice exceptional learners and the unique adversities they face.
- 2) Increasing our professional understanding in regards to best practice that builds and supports resiliency.

## Meet the Teacher

### Meet the Staff Sept 18 @ 6-7:30pm

The event will give parents and guardians the chance to meet teachers in person and gain a clearer sense of what to expect in the coming semester and year.

This year, each teaching team will present twice—once at 6:00 p.m. and again at 7:00 p.m.—with time in between for families to explore the school.

**Doors will open @ 5:45 pm**

We encourage families to attend with the student/child but please be aware that there is no supervision for the time between end of school and the evening event. (Students will still be required to leave the building by 4:00pm as per usual procedures)

If you would like to have a more detailed conversation about your child, please feel free to schedule an appointment with the appropriate teacher for a later date.