



ESQUIMALT PARENT & STUDENT DOCKER

Year End Docker for 2025

July 4	Learning Updates (Report Cards) will be available on Parent Connect App (See below for instruction information)	See Below for Directions
July 11	Last day the school office is open	
Aug 18	School office is open for new school year	
Sept. 2	First Day of School for new school year 2025-26	

Summer Office Hours

The School Office will be open from 7:30am to 1:30pm until July 11th
School will be closed from July 14th to August 15th

Attention Parents and Students:

If you have moved, in this school year, please make sure the office has your correct address.
We will be mailing out Diplomas (late August)

First Day of School – Tuesday, September 2, 2025

9:30am – 10am **Grade 10, 11, 12** (Assembly in Gym)
10:30am – 12:30pm **Grade 9s** (Assembly in Gym, then Raft Class and Block Rotation)

All students will receive their schedules on September 3rd.



We are Saying a Fond Farewell to the Following ESQ Staff Members:

Teachers Leaving: Toban Brownridge, Sam Ellis, Scott Gordon, Mark Jackson, Kyra Kristmanson, Elsabet Lapointe, Vicki Loh, Yvonne du Plessis, and Ross Prevost.

Educational Assistants: Tamara Hodgson and Sana Agha

Youth and Family Counsellor Leaving: Akki Mackay

We wish all our staff members leaving Esquimalt High School, much success in their next endeavours.

Year End Letters from Minister Beare

Please share these year-end letters from Minister Beare with your school communities.

- [Year end letter for parents, guardians and caregivers \(English\)](#)
- [Year end letter for parents, guardians and caregivers \(French\)](#)

THANK YOU!



Dear Esquimalt High Students, Families & Staff,

A huge thank you for another fantastic year!
From classrooms filled with learning and laughter,
to fabulous performances, to victories on the
court and field, this has been a jam packed year!



A special thank you to our staff for going above
and beyond to support our students - you are the
heart of ESQ. making a difference every day.



To our students, I am proud of your many
accomplishments this year. But most of all, I am
proud of the kindness and compassion that you
demonstrate on a daily basis, both in the school,
and in our community.



Have a fantastic summer!
Ms. Sarah Garr, Principal





Esquimalt High School Bell Schedule for 2025-2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Before school outside timetable	7:30 – 8:45	7:30 – 8:45	7:30 – 8:45	7:30 – 8:45	7:30 – 8:45
A Block	8:50 – 10:10	8:50 – 10:10	8:50 – 9:58	8:50 – 10:10	8:50 – 9:58
Break	10:10 – 10:20	10:10 – 10:20	9:58 – 10:08	10:10 – 10:20	9:58 – 10:08
B Block	10:23 – 11:45	10:23 – 11:45	10:11 – 11:20	10:23 – 11:45	10:11 – 11:20
Lunch	11:45 – 12:30	11:45 – 12:30	11:20 – 12:05	11:45 – 12:30	11:20 – 12:05
C Block	12:33 – 1:53	12:33 – 1:53	12:08 – 1:16	12:33 – 1:53	12:08 – 1:16
D Block / Focus Block (Wednesday)	1:56 – 3:16	1:56 – 3:16	<div>Focus Block* 1:19 – 2:05</div> <div>D Block* 2:08 – 3:16</div>	<div>Early Dismissal** D Block</div> <div>1:19 – 2:27</div>	1:19 – 2:27
After school outside timetable	3:20 – 4:35	3:20 – 4:35	3:20 – 4:35	3:20 – 4:35	Early Dismissal

➤ ***Focus/Raft (Grade 9s) Block**– all students in attendance during Focus/Raft Gr. 9 Block

****Early Dismissal Days/Staff Collaboration will occur at 2:27 pm Support available to students as needed on the following Wednesdays:** Sept. 3rd, Sept. 10th, Oct. 15th, Nov. 12th, Dec. 10, Jan. 14th, Feb. 11th, Mar. 11th, April 15th, May 13th, June 10th.

Locker Clean Out: Those students who **did not empty** their locker, please contact the school office as soon as possible 250-382-9226. The lockers have been emptied and we will try to contact the student but if not able to reach them the contents will be disposed of.

ATTENTION: ALL LIBRARY AND TEXTBOOKS

**DETAILS HAVE BEEN SENT TO ALL STUDENTS SD61 LEARN EMAIL ACCOUNTS.
ANY STUDENTS WHO FIND A LIBRARY OR TEXTBOOK AT HOME PLEASE BRING TO
THE SCHOOL OFFICE BETWEEN JUNE 30TH – JULY 11TH.
ANY OTHER LIBRARY/TEXTBOOKS PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AFTER
AUGUST 18TH
THANK YOU!**

DRAFT 2025/2026 Student Schedules were given out on Wed. June 18th in B Block please come to the office if you didn't receive your draft schedule

Please note: If you need any schedule changes there will be a new Bitly in September, to request additional changes.

Please check the Docker at the end of August for new Bitly information.



Athletics:

Track and Field:

X-Country Runners Meet Wednesday September 3 at Lunch in room 301 or contact Ms. Thornber. First practice after school on Wednesday. Bring your runners and a water bottle. First Race is September 24th.

Sarah Thornber (BSc, PDPP, SPED)

The background of the flyer features a photograph of a woman with short brown hair, wearing a plaid shirt and jeans, sitting on a rock and hugging a young girl. The girl is also sitting on the rock, wearing a denim jacket and jeans. In the top left corner, there is a logo for 'bgc' with a green stylized figure and the text 'South Vancouver Island' and 'Formerly Boys & Girls Club of Greater Victoria'.

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Greater Victoria

FREE COMMUNITY PROGRAM
**PARENTING
WITHOUT POWER
STRUGGLES**

A square QR code located in the bottom right corner of the flyer, used for quick access to the program information.

When: Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:00 pm
345 Wale Rd - begins July 8th!

7 week program for parents of kids 8-12 years

To register for this FREE program call: 250.686.9109
or email: parentingprograms@bgcsvg.org

Homestay Opportunities: *It's that time of year! The Greater Victoria School District's International*

Student Program is looking for new families interested in joining the vibrant hosting community. With students arriving to attend short term and long-term programs in the Fall, there are many opportunities to begin hosting. Host Families provide 3 meals a day along with healthy snacks and a welcoming environment. \$1260 per month is provided as reimbursement for student support (pro-rated for shorter stays.) Orientation and 24/7 support is available from the homestay office. For more information:

Website:

Phone: 250-592-6871

Email: homestay@sd61.bc.ca

Become a Host Family



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HELPING SUPPORT AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

\$1260 per month provided for student support



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www.studyinvictoria.com



Esquimalt High Scholarships and Bursaries

Student loans can be applied for through [Student Aid BC](#). This application process needs to be started in the summer. Once the loan is confirmed, start applying for bursaries through the new school.

Rotary Club of Victoria-Saanich for Esquimalt

Rotary Club of Victoria-Saanich have multiple scholarships for Esquimalt High students to apply to. Please find the application [on this webpage](#). **Deadline is June 30.** Please note that students have been informed about award opportunities from other Rotary groups, as well. All Rotary opportunities are found on the Scholarship Google Classroom.

Scholarships and Bursaries Spreadsheet and Student Loans

- Please [cruise this spreadsheet](#) for further opportunities that have not been highlighted in The Docker. Mrs. Bjornson continually adds to this spreadsheet throughout the year.
- Should a link not work, Google the name of the award to see if it still exists.
- Deadlines are not posted since dates change from year to year. The general deadlines are grouped together in tabs along the bottom of the spreadsheet.
- All graduates are encouraged to apply for scholarships through the summer and even into the Fall. **If a student receives a student loan**, it automatically makes them eligible for bursaries that are distributed through their new school.

Parent Connect: How to Check Report Cards online?

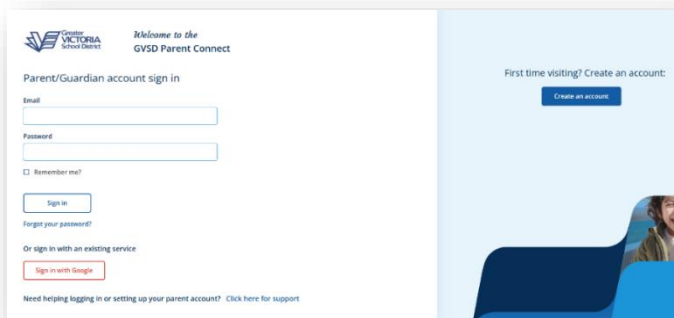
Our Learning Updates (Report Cards) are updated in the [Parent Connect Online System](#). The service reduces the amount of paper forms and allows parents and school staff to review a student's consent information on-demand.

Considering that 20% of the students in SD61 speak different languages than English and French, the service also includes Google Translate to support parents who prefer to communicate in other languages.

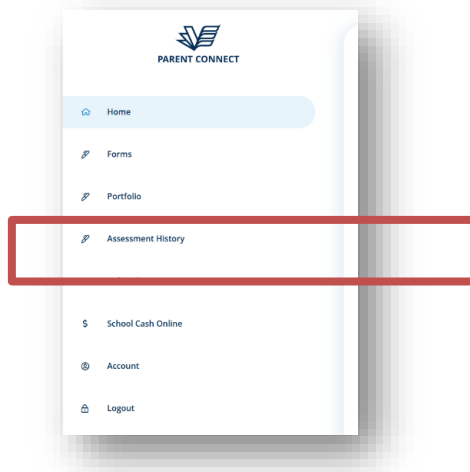
Paper copies will only be available **upon request** in person from the office.

How to create an account and access the system: [Parent Connect instructional video](#) or [PDF Instructions](#)

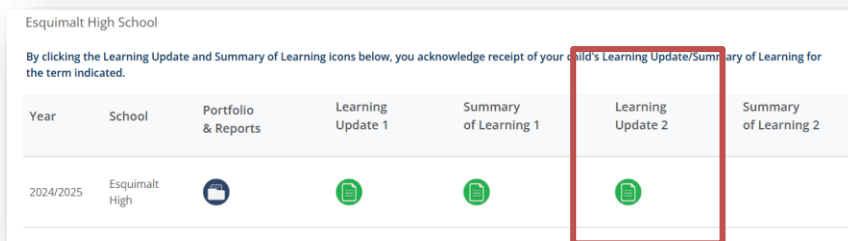
How to access to the Learning updates? Here are the steps



1. Log In to the system with your email and password or with your Google (Gmail) account.
2. If is your first time, click in the blue bottom "Create an account".



3. On the left side panel click on Home. Click on the name of your student, if you only have one Student in the District.
4. Click on "Assessment History".



5. Click on **"Learning Update 2"**. A PDF file will download.
6. Check your Downloads file. Open the Report Card for your student.

Deletion of Google Accounts for Graduating Students is December 31

Graduating students have until Dec. 31, [2025](#) to transfer any documents and files they are storing in their district Google account to a personal account or external storage drive. After that date their accounts will be deactivated. [These instructions](#) show departing students how to transfer their information.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR 2025-26

School Supplies for Grade 9 through 12

Students are required to bring the following basic school supplies with them to the first day of class: loose leaf paper inserted in a binder with subject area tabs, pens, and pencils.

Students taking P.E. are requested to bring gym strip.

Teachers will advise students of extra supplies their courses require.



Supporting Our Students: Food Programs at Esquimalt

At Esquimalt, we believe that no student should go through the day hungry. Our **Breakfast and Lunch Programs** are here to support those facing financial hardship, ensuring they have access to nourishing meals. If your family can provide meals from home, we kindly ask that you leave these programs available for those who need them most.

For **everyone in our school community**, the **Rainbow Kitchen "Fridge of Love"** is always open! Students and staff are welcome to grab a snack—no questions asked, just kindness shared. 😊

Thank you for helping us take care of one another!

Student and Family Affordability Fund

In March 2024, the Ministry of Education and Child Care provided districts with one-time **Student and Family Affordability Funds (SFAF)** to help families struggling with school-related costs. These funds offer **temporary, flexible, and private** assistance for school supplies and fees, ensuring support without stigma.

Funding use includes, but is not limited to:

1. Goods:

- Providing basic school supplies that might otherwise be purchased by parents, guardians, and students (e.g., pens, paper); and
- Supporting with clothing/footwear required for school sports or other school activities.

2. Fees:

- Waiving education-related fees (e.g., additional supplies for shop, culinary and craft classes, workbooks, camps, field trips, relevant cultural events, other student society meetings including those related to equity, diversity, and inclusion, and instrument and equipment fees or other fees charged by school districts); and
- Fees for school sports and other school activities.

If your family or student have any questions or require support, please reach out to Sarah Garr (Principal) by phone or email sgarr@sd61.bc.ca

CAFETERIA ESQ Café Menu – Sept. 2 – Sept. 5

No Cafeteria Service This Week



SHARING OUR STORIES OF SUCCESS

Awards Ceremony:



Just a few of our amazing Award recipients from our ceremony last night. Congratulations!

All individual photos will be emailed to students and families

Challenge 10 Horne Lake Caves



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The Challenge 10 cohort went to the Horne Lake Caves on their traditional grade 10 field trip for Science. Everyone was completely comfy in the dark, closed spaces. 😊 It was a great day through tall trees and splashing in the lake after a long hike!





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GRAD 2025 DINNER DANCE:



**Congratulations to all the
Esquimalt GRADS!**





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End of Year Water Fight between Students and Teachers:



Have a Great Summer!!

