



Grad Newsletter September 2017

Grad Events

Recognition Ceremony at the UVic Auditorium:

- **Monday June 4 2018, 6:45pm**
- **Tickets on sale in the Spring via UVIC box office**

Grad Dinner & Dance at the Ward Room at CFB Esquimalt:

- **Saturday June 9, 2018, 5:30- 11pm**
- **Tickets on sale in Spring via school**

The Aboriginal Graduation Banquet and Ceremony:

- **Thursday, June 7 at 5:00 pm**
- GRAD WINTER BALL- December 21, 2017 tickets on sale at school in November

Grad Expenses

Approximate Costs of Grad. These costs are estimates and subject to change.

- Grad Fee- \$40- Cap and Gowns, Ceremony rental, Certificates. Please pay ASAP.
- Guest tickets for ceremony- \$10 per ticket. Dinner/Dance- approx. \$80 per ticket. Rental of CFB Esquimalt and dinner.
- Grad Photograph Package- \$150 (approx.) Optional
- Grad Picture- Free picture is required for yearbook and Grad folder.
- **MAGIC WAND**- Through the generous donations of the community, students have the use of a like-new outfit for the evening. Accessories are also provided. Please see a counsellor for further information, visit www.themagicwandproject.ca or call 250-658-0246 to make an appointment.

Grad Pictures

Grad pictures are **December 4-9**. Grad retake dates will be in the new year date TBA

The Grad photo will be the photograph in the folder at the recognition ceremony and the yearbook.

Grad Assemblies

- Grad assemblies are mandatory, and attendance will be taken. Students will be notified if they are still in a position to graduate and able to participate in grad activities.

Dates: November 21 period 4
 February 13 period 2
 April 27 period 3
 May 30 period 2
 June 1 period 4
 June 4th final rehearsal at UVIC- 8:30-noon

Grad Council

- The Grad Council class is a 4 credit leadership course where students help plan events connected to graduation. Students can still add this course by meeting with a counsellor, or speaking directly to Mrs. Renyard. All are welcome to meetings! Currently we meet on Tuesdays at lunch in the conference room.

Scholarship

Various scholarship and financial aid websites are:

- CanLearn - www.canlearn.ca
- Scholarships Canada – www.scholarshipscanada.com - *has some information for Canadian students and International students.
- Student Awards – www.studentawards.com
- Student Scholarships - www.studentscholarships.org
- www.studyincanada.com (International students)
- **To access the Esquimalt High Scholarship Information Guide:** bit.ly/esqscholarguide

Grad Categories

Students must be in the position to graduate at the Term 3 report card, or they will not be eligible for the recognition ceremony. Students must be passing all courses on the April report card and be at least 50% through any distributed learning courses. Grade 12 students are assigned a Grad Mentor to monitor their academic progress through the school year.

- A - D - Mrs. Hoffman ahoffman@sd61.bc.ca
- E - K - Ms. Kirzinger emkirzinger@sd61.bc.ca
- L – Q - Mr. Johnson johnson@sd61.bc.ca
- R – Z - Mrs. Turner turner@sd61.bc.ca
- ANED students- Rachel trebilco rtrebilco@sd61.bc.ca
- International students – Mrs. Baylis lbaylis@sd61.bc.ca
- Adult Grads – Mrs. Renyard renyard@sd61.bc.ca

Post-Secondary Updates

CUE: On Wednesday October 04, Esquimalt High School will be taking interested students to the Canadian Universities Event (CUE) at Oak Bay High School. This event hosts representatives from most of the major universities across Canada and provides students with an opportunity to explore their post secondary options. **Permission forms are due this week to the main office.**

BC Post-Secondary Day: Monday October 23 EHS will be hosting 9 BC Post-secondary Institutions including Camsoun, UVIC and SFU- sign up details to come.
Upcoming visits

UBC: Wednesday, November 15th, at 8:30am EHS library

McGill: Tuesday, October 24th at 10:00am- EHS library

Career Centre News

There are many, many, many opportunities for current Gr 12 students. These include part-time jobs and training opportunities. Students who work in the trades have the opportunity to have their level 1 training paid for by SD61, provided they complete it the year after graduation.

Want to find out more? Here are some ways to get in the loop:

Follow ESQ's Facebook Page for the latest postings OR find our Careers Website under Quick Links on our School website (<https://esquimalt.sd61.bc.ca/>) You can also email Mr Henderson, Careers Teacher, at khenderson@sd61.bc.ca