



Esquimalt Parent & Student Dock

June 20th – June 24th, 2022



"Every moment is a fresh beginning"

This Week.....

Mon June 20	Copernican Day	A Block 9 – 11, C Block 1 – 3
Tues June 21	Copernican Day	B Block 9 – 11, D Block 1 - 3
Wed June 22	Completion Day	
Thurs June 23	Awesomeness Assembly Fun Day to Follow and Yearbooks Distributed Mural Unveiling Art Gallery of Greater Victoria	9:00 am – 12:00 pm 6 pm – 8 pm
Fri June 24	Student Feedback Survey	Closes today



Save the Date

June 27th: This week the report cards will be mailed out to students and the graduates will receive diplomas at the end of summer by mail.

Dear ESQ students and Families,

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of the 2021/22 school year! What a year it has been! This past week, we got to honor and celebrate the ESQ Grad Class of 2022. We had a wonderful recognition ceremony last Saturday and an amazing dinner dance last night. These celebrations remind us about the important work we do as a community. We are so proud of our grads and cannot wait to cheer them on as they take their next steps. We invite you all to come out to cheer on our grads at our **Grad Car Parade** tomorrow, **Saturday, June 18th, from 2-4pm.**

I am sad to share that I am moving on from ESQ at the end of this school year. I am moving to Gordon Head Middle School. I have loved my time as principal at ESQ and have really appreciated the students, staff, and wider community. ESQ will always hold a very special place in my heart. I am excited about the new opportunity ahead of me.

I am happy to congratulate our own, **Sarah Garr**, who will be taking over the role of the principal as of August 1st. I know Sarah will be wonderful in her new role!

I shared this quote with our graduates last Saturday as I made my address to them and I would like to leave our students with the same message:

**"You are BRAVER than you believe,
STRONGER than you seem,
SMARTER than you think,
and LOVED more than you'll ever know." ~ Winnie the Pooh.**

I want to wish all our students and families a wonderful, relaxing summer ahead.
Thank you for your ongoing support and investment in our ESQ school community.
Sincerely, Tina

ESQ Grads of 2022! Saturday June 18th Grad Car Parade

The ESQ tradition continues! Our *Grad Car Parade* is happening on **Saturday, June 18th** from 2-4pm. Please see attached for the map of the route.

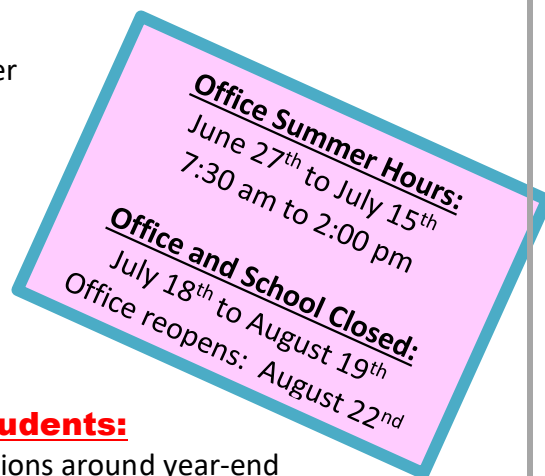


Esquimalt Café Notice: Effective May 30, 2022

The Café will begin plating lunches again. The Café will continue to offer take out boxes upon request at an additional charge of \$0.50 per lunch order.

Rapid Antigen At-Home Covid Tests

The five Rapid Antigen At-Home Covid Tests the Ministry of Education has provided for each student will continue to be distributed at lunch or after school. Students can pick them up from the office.



Year End Dates for All Students Including Grade 9 Students:

We wanted to send out some additional information to clarify expectations around year-end dates for our students.

- **Monday, June 20th** - Copernican Day: A block from 9-11 am, C Block from 1-3 pm (*All* students **must** attend for final assessment or culminating learning activity)
- **Tuesday, June 21st** - Copernican Day: B block from 9 am-11 am, D block from 1-3 pm (*All* students **must** attend for final assessments or culminating activities)
- **Wednesday, June 22nd** - I/Completion Day (*only* students who are requested to come in by their teacher to complete missing work are required to attend).
- **Thursday, June 23rd** - **Fun Day** for all students from **9 am-12 noon** (Assembly, BBQ, yearbook distribution, games on the field)

We hope this clarifies expectations for the year end dates. If you require any further clarifications, please email Mrs. Pierik, tpierik@sd61.bc.ca.

Important Information for All Students:

Please ensure the school has your correct address on file as the **FINAL REPORT CARDS** will be mailed out and the **GRADE 12s DIPLOMAS** will also be mailed out at the end of summer.

If you have moved in the last year and/or are not sure your address is correct in our system, please send an email to: esquimalt@sd61.bc.ca with your current address so we can update.

Important Music Student Reminder:

School-owned instruments, choir binders, music folders, textbooks and sheet music should all now be returned for the school year. Missing folder or binder charge is \$50. Please return binders/folders to the library and school-owned instruments to the Music Room. Thank you!

Return textbooks, library books and equipment ASAP!

Do you still have textbooks you are using to prepare for exams?

Still using some library books to finish those last assignments?

Remember to return all books and equipment you borrowed from the school as soon as you are finished your courses.

Return textbooks, library books and equipment to the library as soon as possible so other students can use them next year.

Thank you! Have a great summer!

Scholarships / Awards

The Rotary Club of Victoria is committed to making a difference for youth. One of the ways we do this is to support graduating students who will be attending a post-secondary institution in the fall and other high school students who exemplify the values of Rotary.

We seek to reward students who make a positive difference in our community and show that they can become our future leaders. Each year we award scholarships at Esquimalt High School, and the additional scholarships/awards will be available to graduating students throughout Greater Victoria. The values of the awards will be either \$1500 or \$2000.

To qualify, you:

- must be enrolled at a public secondary school in School District 61 (Greater Victoria), School District 62 (Sooke), School District 63 (Saanich), at a secondary school in School District 93 (French first-language) located within the geographical limits of District 61, 62 or 63) or other secondary school within the geographical boundaries of District 61, 62 or 63;
- must be graduating in June this year for a scholarship and continuing your education at a recognized post-secondary institution in the fall. Generally, the possibility of a gap year is not allowed; however, a request to start classes in January following graduation will be considered.

To apply, please download the preferred application form ([English version](#)) or ([French version](#)) and complete it. The form is a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet and can be printed after you fill it in or attached directly to the emailed complete scholarship request.

Attach the completed form (excel or PDF), your resumé, official transcript of marks and a copy of your acceptance letter from a post-secondary institution and email them to the scholarship committee at rcv.scholarships@rotaryvictoria.ca. Contact two (2) references and have them send letters to the same email address.

The deadline for applications is June 30 each year.

Once we receive your application, if we have questions, we will contact you and we may ask you to meet with us.

We will announce the recipients by August 31 each year.

Thanks for your interest in our scholarships. We look forward to receiving your application.

<https://portal.clubrunner.ca/696/page/scholarship-application>

Student Feedback Survey - District Student Council Representatives

One goal for the 2022-2023 school year is to provide students with additional opportunities to provide meaningful feedback to help guide Esquimalt High School initiatives and events. Your voice matters!

Jules Dawkins (Gr. 11) and Samara Dolinsky (Gr. 10) will be representing Esquimalt on the *SD 61 District Student Council* for the 2022-2023 school year. On behalf of Jules and Samara, please see their message and an opportunity to provide input below:

Attention students! As your future student reps, we've made a survey to get a better sense of the needs and interests of our student body. We strongly encourage all students to participate. This survey will close on Thursday, June 24th. To fill out the survey, go to bit.ly/esgstudent

Summer Reading

Get a public library card

Library cards are free if you live in Greater Victoria! That includes Esquimalt, Colwood, Oak Bay, Saanich, Victoria and View Royal. Library cards are also free for First Nations people and other people living on Scia'new, Songhees, Tsartlip, Tsawout and Esquimalt reserve lands.

Sign up for a library card in person at any branch of the public library or use [this online form](#) to get a temporary card, access [digital content](#) and place holds. Upgrade to a full access card by visiting any branch. Learn more about borrowing [here](#).

[Click here to check out our school library learning commons website where you'll find some great summer reads!](#)

The Greater Victoria Public Library is hosting two programs for high school students:

- a teen virtual comic camp from 1-3 pm, July 11-15 with Indigenous Illustrator Cole Pauls. Space is limited. Register by emailing programs@gvpl.ca by July 4th.
- a Read and Write Reviews (RAWR) challenge (**POETRY COUNTS, TOO!**) Enter to win one of hundreds of dollars in prize gift cards!

Go to gvpl.ca and look for the Summer Programs tab for details.

Esquimalt High Summer Prep Classes

Fill in your knowledge gaps and strengthen your strengths over summer! Any student who would like to review or preview an **academic math or physics course** this summer can fill in this Google

Form: <https://bit.ly/esqprepsignup>

Mrs. Bjornson will connect with you via email once you have filled out the form. Available courses are listed on the sign-up form. There is no cost to the student and students may do as much or as little as they wish.

Students entering Grade 9 are also invited to sign up!



Sign-up for ESQ Prep Course

Congratulations for taking this step--- you are SO worth the effort! Please know that this Prep Course... ..does not change your grade. There are no tests, only quizzes that can be open book and do not count for marks. ... does not come with a supervising teacher, although you may employ a tutor or use your Learning Strats time for assistance. ... is at no financial cost to you. ... does NOT replace taking the actual course. ... will only be useful if you make a plan and commit to your plan. Students will good work habits will be the most successful. The courses are: Math 9 Prep --- covers the Grade 8 curriculum Academic Math 10 Prep --- covers the Math 9 curriculum Academic Math 11 Prep --- covers the FPC Math 10 curriculum PC Math 12 Prep --- covers the PC Math 11 curriculum Math 100 Prep --- covers the PC Math 12 curriculum Physics 12 Prep --- covers the Physics 11 curriculum Please direct any questions to Mrs. Bjornson, dbjornson@sd61learn.ca, Room 206.

[bit.ly](https://bit.ly/esqprepsignup)

Mural Unveiling at the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria

Come celebrate with us!

Esquimalt High School students have created a new collaborative mural with mentor artists Jenna Lancaster & Jesse Campbell. This group is passionate about issues of social justice, representation, and working in ways that honour the land. The mural will be installed on the Moss Street side of the AGGV until spring 2023 and explores the ways that our stories and memories are embedded within the land. Join us at the AGGV to celebrate this meaningful project: June 23, 6-8 pm, AGGV 1040 Moss St, Victoria.

June Snap Shot

Please click: [Creating a Better World Through Inclusion](#)

If we think of humanity as a large family, then to be inclusive means that everyone has a place at the table. No one is excluded, marginalized, or left out. Everyone has something to offer.

Often inclusiveness is described as something we should do to benefit others. However when we are inclusive our world becomes larger and we gain relationships and experiences that enrich us.



Esquimalt Fun Day Friday June 23rd

Time: 9 am to 12 pm

Meet in the Gym for the Awesomeness Assembly

Following this some music, fun, free burgers/dogs and cotton candy!
Participate in the slip and slide and get your yearbooks for your friends to sign

See you there!

**Good Luck to the
Grad Class of
2022**

Highlighted June Scholarships---check each link for deadlines

Esquimalt High Scholarships and Bursaries

- A variety of scholarships and bursaries for students graduating from Esquimalt.
- It is a “one-application” process-- in other words, one application can be used for multiple awards. Gap year is OK for most (not the Lions Club).
- The application itself has **TWO PARTS**: paper submission and digital submission. Both parts must be completed to be considered for these awards.
- **Due June 23.**
- To view the list of awards, [click here](#). There are NEW awards being added this week, however. Mrs. Bjornson will make announcements on the Google Classroom when the new awards are added.
- **Applications are found on the Scholarship & Postsecondary Google Classroom.**

District 61 Scholarships and Bursaries

- A list of scholarships and bursaries are available through District 61.
- Please access a [summarized list here](#).
- This application can be submitted through the Scholarship 12 Google Classroom OR it can be handed to Mrs. Bjornson before the June 21, 2022 deadline.
- If multiple scholarships are being applied for, only one copy of the reference letter and scholarship letter is required. Each scholarship needs its own signed application, however.
- [Click here](#) for the application.
- **Note:** One award is designated for Esquimalt High students above all other high schools in the district. If you know someone entering the field of FIRE FIGHTING, let them know there is a \$1000 scholarship for them to apply for!
- **Note:** The Stephanie Johnston Doney Scholarship (for field hockey) closes **June 10, 2022**. Please send Mrs. Bjornson your application right away if you are eligible. The Stephanie Johnston Doney Foundation will review and select the winner.

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 2022 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.
- **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.

CAFETERIA MENU – June 20th to June 24th

No Café Service This Week