



Esquimalt Parent & Student Docker

April 15-19, 2024

Esse Quam Videri - "to be rather than to seem"

Mon Apr 15 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copernican Day/Provincial Exams 	Block A – 9:00-11:30 Block C – 12:30-3:00
Tues Apr 16 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copernican Day/Provincial Exams 	Block B – 9:00-11:30 Block D – 12:30-3:00
Wed Apr 17 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Dismissal 	2:27pm
Thurs Apr 18 th		
Fri Apr 19 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improv: "We're All Watching: An Improvised Weird Fiction" 	7:00pm



Save the Date

April 22: PAC Meeting

May 08: ICBC Presentation for Grade 11 & 12

May 13: PAC AGM

IMPROV:

"We're All Watching: An Improvised Weird Fiction"

Esquimalt Acting Troupe's annual improvised long form show is Friday, April 19 at 7:00. Join us to watch a full length play in the style of H. P. Lovecraft / Weird Fiction entirely improvised!

Esquimalt High School Theatre, admission \$5 at the door.



LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS:

We have so many NEW BOOKS now available in our school library learning commons. Check them out today! [Find these and other books in the online catalogue](#)

Learn more through the [school library learning commons website](http://esquimaltlibrary.sd61.bc.ca) esquimaltlibrary.sd61.bc.ca.



ROBOTICS:

Are you interested in
programming & learning JAVA?

Room 221
Monday & Thursday
3:30pm-5:00pm
All students welcome
April 22 - May 24

For more info:
Mrs O'Keeffe-rm221
tokeeffe@sd61.bc.ca

register here



Our robotics team is hosting an after school Java course for anyone interested in programming and learning Java.

This is a free class that runs April 22-May 24 every Monday and Thursday afternoon. Everyone is welcome - please register with Mrs. O'Keeffe.

STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY: Parents of Students in Grade 10 & 12

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size, and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

Early in **2024** the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 10 and 12, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

For Students:

Students will have an opportunity to complete the survey at school during Focus Block using their Personal Education Number (PEN). The survey is anonymous, and the PEN is only used to link a student to Esquimalt High School to ensure that only Esquimalt High School student can report.

For Parents:

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at <https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp>.

1. Scroll down to Parents
2. Choose "Direct Access"
 - a. Choose School District – 61 Greater Victoria
 - b. Choose Esquimalt High School
 - c. Choose your preferred language for the survey to be in

Any computer or personal device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple, secure, and anonymous. The e-survey site will be open until May 3, 2024.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 250-382-9224 or Mr. Jared Adams (VP) at jadams@sd61.bc.ca.

ATHLETICS:

X-Country and Track & Field

- Wednesdays at UVic

Practices schedule: Weight room Monday am at 7:30 am
Practice after school Tuesday/ Thursday meet on the track at 3:30pm

Soccer

- Tuesday April 16 – Girls Soccer @ Royal Bay vs Royal Bay at 3:30pm
- Thursday, April 18 – Girls Soccer @ Hampton Turf vs PCS at 3:15

Spring Sport Information:

- Track & Field is run by Sarah Thornber = sthornber@sd61.bc.ca
- Boys & Girls Rugby 7's is run by Mike Thompson, David Moonlight and Chelsea Minter = mbthompson@sd61.bc.ca; dmoonlight@sd61.bc.ca; cminter@sd61.bc.ca
- Girls Soccer is run by Brandon Aris = baris@sd61.bc.ca
- Badminton is run by Ken Henderson = khenderson@sd61.bc.ca
- Ultimate is run by Ange Coutts and Tim Zemanek = acoutts@sd61.bc.ca; tzemanek@sd61.bc.ca

Please reach out to coaches in order to get season details! *Mike Thompson, CCAA*

GRAD Information & Reminders:

Grade 12 students/parents - check your email for the most recent Grad Newsletter!

GRAD Checklist

- Pay Grad Fee - \$40
- Student should join Grad Google Classroom **0dx4rm**
- Student should have Capstone on track
- Buy Recognition Ceremony tickets through UVic
- Register for grad <https://bit.ly/ESQgrad2024registration>
- Complete grad speech for Ceremony at <https://bit.ly/ESQgradwriteup2024>
- Complete grad quote/write-up for YEARBOOK at QR Code here:



Grad Recognition Ceremony at UVic: Ticket Information - TICKET SALES OPEN APRIL 10!

Ceremony is at UVIC Farquhar Auditorium June 3 2024 @ 6:45pm

HOW DO I BUY TICKETS?

- All Ceremony tickets are processed through the UVic Ticket Centre in person or by phone 250-721-8480 (you will need a credit card)
- The UVic Ticket Centre is located in the lobby of the Jamie Cassels Centre B Wing, where the Auditorium is located. Hours of operation are Monday to Friday, 9:30am – 4:00pm.
- All persons entering the Auditorium for the event via the lobby must have a ticket, **including babes-in-arms and toddlers** (grads do not need a ticket- they are the show!)
- Tickets are \$10 each plus a per order fee (\$3.00 for online \$2.00 for phone)- limit 6 per family (extra tickets will be available closer to the event date typically two weeks prior)
- **Accessible seating is limited. Please indicate if you need accessible seating for wheelchairs at the time of your order**
- Parking on campus is pay parking 24 hours daily, Monday to Saturday. As parking lot dispensers can be busy prior to ceremonies, we recommend families either arrive early or purchase passes in advance through Campus Security. Link to pre purchase:
<https://parking.uvic.ca/ebusiness/cmnl/index.aspx>.
- If families need financial assistance for tickets, please email chbradsaw@sd61.bc.ca or ahoffman@sd61.bc.ca -this information will be kept confidential

Tickets will be sent to the student sd61 email.

PLEASE ENSURE YOU REQUEST ANY REQUIRED ACCESSIBLE/WHEELCHAIR SEATING AT THE TIME OF ORDERING YOUR TICKETS.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Highlighted Mar/Apr Scholarships---check each link for deadlines

Please [click here to view a link to the Scholarship Spreadsheet](#) that Mrs. Bjornson using to house opportunities as they pass through her inbox. Not all links work--- sometimes opportunities fizzle out. Feel free to email her about faulty links--- bonus points if you can find and send an updated link!

dbjornson@sd61.bc.ca

District Authority Award

[Esquimalt High DA Award Website](#)

District/Authority Scholarships recognize graduating BC students for excellence in their chosen areas of interest or strength. These BC Government issued scholarships are intended to help students pursue post-secondary education. Winners receive a \$1250 voucher that can be used toward post-secondary education tuition. [Click here](#) to see if this award can be used at the school of your choice.

BC School Sports Scholarships

BC School Sports is pleased to provide over \$30,000 in scholarships available to student-athletes this year. The application deadline is **May 3** at 4 PM. <https://www.bcschoolsports.ca/member-services/scholarships>

Specific Criteria Awards for UVIC-bound students

A variety of scholarships and bursaries for students entering UVIC. Mrs. Bjornson will have a specific Scholarship 12 meeting that looks at these awards although folks can look on their own, as well. Generally, it is a "one-application" process. No gap year. (Taking a gap year? Apply next year.)

Due April 30. <https://www.uvic.ca/registrar/safa/entrance-scholarships/specific/index.php>

SD61 Indigenous Scholarships & Awards

All grades have specific awards.

Due: TBA (sometime in May) <https://ied.sd61.bc.ca/graduation/greater-victoria-sd61-scholarships/>

Pacific Leaders Scholarships for Children of Public Servants

\$2500, essay required, Grade 12 only. **Due: May 14**, BC government award

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/careers-myhr/all-employees/career-development/pacific-leaders/scholarships-for-children>

There will be Scholarship 12 meetings that are open to ALL GRADS to help them create their e-portfolios and applications. This application will take a minimum of 2 hours to complete. Most students put 3+ hours into their application, however. Meetings will be on Wednesdays at lunch. Monitor the Scholarship 12 Google Classroom for exact dates.

PAC UPDATES: *Next Meeting: Monday April 22nd*

Upcoming meeting will be on Mondays moving forward. Please join us on **April 22nd and May 13th**.
Meetings are at Esquimalt High School at 6:45pm.

Esquimalt PAC AGM Meeting May 13th

Please join us for the Esquimalt **PAC AGM** on **Monday, May 13th @ 6:45** in the All Nations Room.
All roles are available, but we currently have a known opening for Treasurer for the upcoming 2024-2025 School Year.

The position of treasurer is one of three required to form the PAC and the main duties are as follows:

- Apply for and manage the gaming grant. The gaming grant provides roughly \$17,000 a year to extracurricular activities and events at Esquimalt High.
- Attend monthly PAC meetings and provide updates on the PAC accounts.
- Write an annual summary report.

At the Esquimalt PAC we work together and support each role to be successful.

If you are interested or would like more information, please email esquimaltpac@gmail.com.

Looking for an easy way to support the Esquimalt PAC?



Email esquimaltPAC@gmail.com to get your **reloadable card!**

Info for users:

1. Re-load at any check out counter at **all 10 Fairway Market stores** on Vancouver Island.
2. Use **any means of payment** including your favourite credit card to collect points or miles.
3. You may re-load **between \$20 and \$500** each time.
4. You can re-load the same card multiple times. Give the blank cards to **family & friends** so they can start re-loading to help support your group.

Fundraiser: Save a Tape



PAC Fundraiser “Save a Tape”!

**Do you, or someone you know,
shop at Country Grocer? If so, we
want your RECEIPTS!**

**Esquimalt High School PAC will
receive 1% of all orders!
Bring receipts to the OFFICE.**

CAREERS:



GAP YEAR? START HERE! GAP YEAR INFO SESSION

EXPLORE THE WHAT, WHO AND WHY OF THE GAP YEAR PATH

Join Michelle Ditmer from CanGap Canada for a Gap Year Info Session, This is a family event to understand all of the pieces that make up a purposeful gap year and get all of your questions answered in one place.

Tuesday April 23, 2024

7 pm - 8 pm

Esquimalt High School Library

847 Colville Road

Victoria, BC V9A 4N9



QUESTIONS? CONTACT ESQ CAREERS Ken Henderson khenderson@sd61.bc.ca OR Tarra tclarke@sd61.bc.ca

CAREER FAIR

The Greater Victoria
School District



25TH
APRIL 2024

DURING BLOCK C

**Archie Browning
Sports Centre**
1151 Esquimalt rd.

**Over 90 Exhibitors
from post secondary
institutions, local
businesses and
community partners**

TO SIGN UP
bit.ly/esqcareerfair2024

QUESTIONS? CONNECT WITH ESQ CAREERS:
Tarra.tclarke@sd61.bc.ca
Career Centre Coordinator

Pathways & Partnerships



FINE ARTS:

ESQUIMALT HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS...



MEAN GIRLS
HIGH SCHOOL VERSION

BOOK BY TINA FEY MUSIC BY JEFF RICHMOND LYRICS BY NEIL BENJAMIN
BASED ON THE PARAMOUNT PICTURES FILM *MEAN GIRLS*

ESQUIMALT HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE
847 COLVILLE ROAD
EVENING SHOWS @7:00pm, MATINEE* @2:00pm
DOORS OPEN: 6:30pm (VIP), 6:45pm (GENERAL)

APRIL 26, 27, 28* || MAY 2, 3, 4

GENERAL ADMISSION	VIP PACKAGE
ADULT: \$12	ADULT: \$20
STUDENT/SENIOR: \$10	STUDENT/SENIOR: \$18

 PURCHASE TICKETS USING THIS QR CODE!
www.showtix4u.com/event-details/82568

(INCLUDES FIRST CHOICE SEATING, COMPLIMENTARY REFRESHMENTS, AND A GIFT PACKAGE. ONLY 30 VIP TICKETS PER SHOW.)

MEAN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL VERSION IS PRESENTING THROUGH SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL (MTI). ALL AUTHORIZED PERFORMANCE MATERIALS ARE ALSO SUPPLIED BY MTI. WWW.MTISHOWS.COM

PG-13

You're invited to Esquimalt High School's production of *Mean Girls (High School Version)*!

Based off of the hit 2004 film by Tina Fey, this fiercely hilarious musical explores the highs and lows of the high school experience. Our production features over 60 students, a live band of community members, exciting dance numbers, and fun contemporary music that will be hard to get out of your head.

Shows will take place at the Esquimalt High School Theatre on April 26, 27, 28 and May 2, 3, 4. Evening shows start at 7:00pm and the April 28th matinee at 2:00pm.

Tickets are available online at <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/82568>. If you're feeling especially fetch, treat yourself to a VIP Package, which includes first choice seating, your very own tote bag filled with goodies, and complimentary snacks!

Please note that this show is rated PG-13 and uses art and comedy to discuss challenging subjects including cliques, social norms, and bullying.

CLUBS: *Weekly Meeting Info*

Art Collective/Art Club: Thursday at lunch Room 223
Atom Smashers ESQ Robotics: Mondays & Wednesdays after school Room 221
Best Buddies: Wednesdays at lunch Room 101/310
BIPOC Club: Fridays at lunch Room 309
Black Students' Union: After school on Mondays Conference Room
Book Club: Tuesdays at lunch Library Learning Commons
Ceramics Club: After school as scheduled in the Google Classroom Art Room
Chess Club: Fridays at lunch Library Learning Commons
Cross Country Club: Mondays and Thursdays after school Room 301
Gaming Club: Thursdays 3:30-5:00 Library Learning Commons
ESCAPE - Esquimalt Students Caring About Peace and the Environment: Mondays at lunch Library Learning Commons
Esquimalt Ink (Student Newspaper): Wednesdays at lunch Room 325
Esquimalt Youth for Change and Inclusion (EYCI): Mondays at Lunch Room 327
GSA / Gender and Sexuality Alliance: Tuesday at lunch Room 211
Improv Club: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, after school Theatre
Interact: Thursdays at lunch Room 329
Math Club: Thursday at lunch Room 305
Robotics Club: Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday afterschool from 3:30-5:30 in Room 221.
Rubik's Cube Club: Mondays at lunch Room 305 All abilities welcome.
Student Vote: By electoral cycle Library Learning Commons
Science Fair Club: Wednesdays at lunch Room 213
The Not Quite Model UN Club: Monday in Room 328 at Lunch
Women in STEM: Tuesdays at lunch Room 221
Writing Club & Slam Poetry Team: Fridays at lunch Room 325



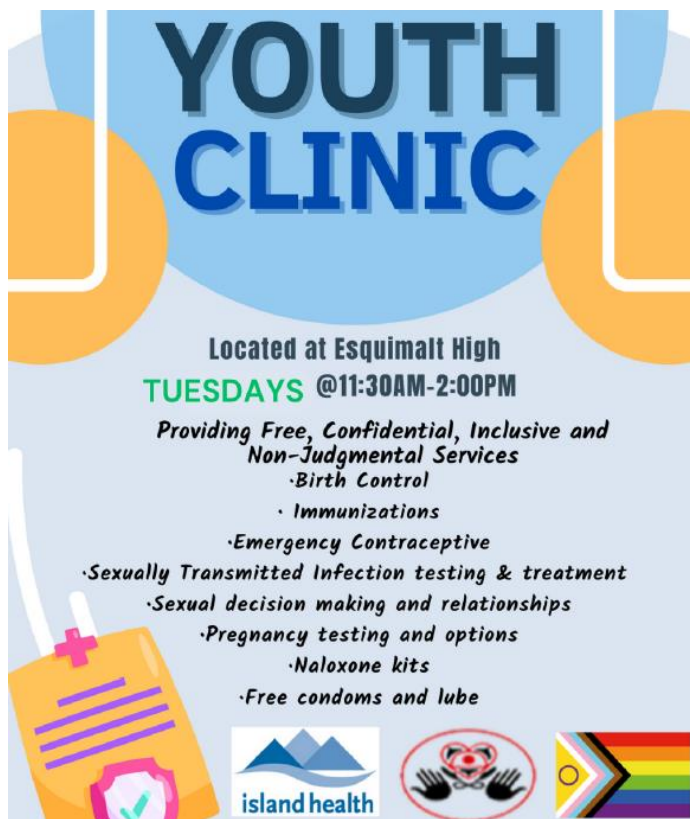
Boys Club: Wednesday, April 17 2:30-4:00 in the Cafeteria with Mr. Mari.
Meet. Eat. Speak.

For more information on Clubs please visit <https://esquimalt.sd61.bc.ca/activities-clubs/clubs/>

What's on the Menu? ESQ Café – April 15-19, 2024

Monday	Breakfast for lunch : scrambled eggs, hashbrowns, sausages, and a toasted English muffin.
Tuesday	Pork belly fried rice also available with smoke tofu.
Wednesday	Cauliflower and bacon mac and cheese. Also available vegetarian.
Thursday	Chicken parmesan, polenta cakes and grilled asparagus. Also available eggplant parmesan.
Friday	Beef dip with fries and au jus.

REMINDERS:






YOUTH CLINIC

Located at Esquimalt High
TUESDAYS @11:30AM-2:00PM

Providing Free, Confidential, Inclusive and Non-Judgmental Services

- Birth Control
- Immunizations
- Emergency Contraceptive
- Sexually Transmitted Infection testing & treatment
- Sexual decision making and relationships
- Pregnancy testing and options
- Naloxone kits
- Free condoms and lube



SCENT FREE ZONE

Help us keep the air we share healthy and fragrance-free

It is the policy of the Greater Victoria School District (GVSD) to provide a safe and healthy environment for all. This will be accomplished by eliminating or minimizing the use of products and fragrances whose scent or other properties are known to trigger allergies or other hazardous reactions.

PLEASE

DO NOT wear perfume, cologne, aftershave and other fragrances.

USE unscented personal care products.


One Learning Community