



ESQUIMALT PARENT & STUDENT DOCKER

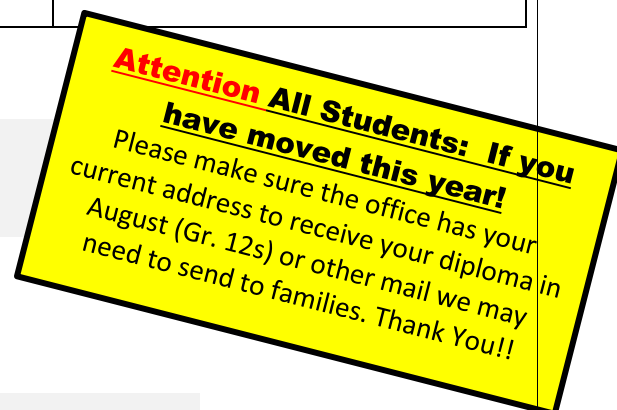
June 16-20

Monday June 16		
Tuesday June 17	Out of the Shadows: Celebration of 2SLGBTQIA+	7pm see below
Wednesday June 18		
Thursday June 19	School Awards Night 7pm Last Day for Food Service in Cafeteria	
Friday June 20	Locker Clean Out during Block B	Please bring a bag for your belongings
Saturday 21	GRAD Dinner/Dance	



Save the Date

- June 23** Copernican Day/Assessment
Block A 9am to 11:30am
Block C 12:30pm to 3pm
- June 24** Copernican Day/Assessment
Block B 9am to 11:30am
Block D 12:30pm to 3pm
Spring Challenge Social 6:30 -9:30
- June 25** Regular Classes Awesomeness
Assembly/Yearbook Distribution
- June 26** Curriculum Completion Day (Attend if Invited by Teacher)
- July 4** Learning Updates (Report Cards) will be available on Parent Connect App










Locker Clean out is Coming Up June 20th during B Block

Please start to take home items you no longer need. Students may want to bring a bag for your locker items on June 20th. Check the lost and found under the main staircase for any items, you are missing. Smaller lost and found items can be found in the main office.



ESQUIMALT HIGH REVISED JUNE 2025 CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 UVIC GRAD Ceremony 	3 Year End Concert Part 1 	4	5 Year End Concert Part 2 	6 Cycle for Change 	7
8	9	10 Literacy Assess AM Library Gr. 12 Numeracy Assess PM Library Gr. 12 Evaluation de litt- eratie de la 12 an- nee- LTF 12 only	11 Early Dismissal 2:27pm Fine Arts Fiasco	12	13 Year End Music Social  Locker clean out next week, start to bring home Locker contents	14
15	16	17 Out of the Shadows 7pm	18	19 School Awards Night 7 pm 	20 Final Locker Clean Out During Block B Turn in Locks	21 GRAD Dinner Dance 
22	23 Copernican Day/ Assessment Blk A 9 to 11:30am Blk C 12:30 to 3pm	24 Challenge Social Copernican Day/ Assessment Blk B 9 to 11:30am Blk D 12:30 to 3pm	25 Regular Classes Awesomeness Assembly/ Yearbook Distribution	26 Curriculum Completion Day Invited by Teacher only End of Sem 2	27 Year-End Administrative Day No Scheduled Classes	28
29	30	<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> THE FINAL LEARNING UPDATE (REPORT CARD) WILL NOT BE MAILED BUT WILL BE ACCESSIBLE ON LINE JULY 4TH ON THE PARENT CONNECT APP. INSTRUCTIONS CAN BE FOUND IN THE DOCKER. HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!				



Esquimalt High School Awards:

*Please check your email to see if you have been selected to receive an award this academic year. If so, congratulations and we look forward to celebrating with you and your family on **Thursday, June 19th at 7pm in the gym.***

Check for your Lost and Found Items Before End of the Year!



We currently have a number of unclaimed items in our Lost & Found box, located at the Office. If you have misplaced personal belongings such as glasses, earphones, or keys, please check with our staff. **Clothing items (including t-shirts, sweatshirts, and winter wear) are stored separately in a box located under the entry stairs.** Please note: All unclaimed items will be donated to charity at the end of the school year. We encourage you to retrieve your belongings as soon as possible.



June 10, 18, 25
3:30 - 5 pm

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL OPEN GYM

All Gr. 9-11 girls wishing
to tryout in September
are invited!

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL OPEN GYM:

OUT OF THE SHADOWS CELEBRATION!

A poster for the 'Out of the Shadows' celebration. It features a rainbow graphic at the top and bottom. The title is in large white letters on a black background. Below the title is a yellow box with the date, time, and location. At the bottom, it lists the performers and special guests.

ESQUIMALT MUSIC PRESENTS

OUT OF THE SHADOWS

a celebration of 2SLGBTQIA+ history, stories, and experiences

JUNE 17TH, 2025 @ 7PM
ESQUIMALT HIGH | 847 COLVILLE RD
PAY WHAT YOU CAN!

FEATURING
**ESQ MUSIC
ENSEMBLES**
**COMMUNITY
ALUMNI & STUDENT
PERFORMERS**

SPECIAL GUESTS:
**ARYA OKAY &
OLIVE THIS TEA**



Dear Esquimalt High students,
Esquimalt High is home to a vibrant group of students who generously give their time and energy to support our school community. Some commit to a cause or club all year, while others dive in to help with short-term events. Whether you're part of Leadership, EYCI, GSA, ESCAPE, the recycling program, theatre, grad activities, or you've served as a manager, scorekeeper, or activist, your efforts matter!

Now it's time to recognize that service.

If you've helped plan or run activities that support the school, outside of class time, you may be eligible for a **Service Award** at our **Awesomeness Assembly on June 25th**.

Who can be nominated?

- Responsible students who volunteer outside of their course requirements
- Students with good attendance (or excused absences)
- Students who help organize or lead service-based activities

All nominations must include a brief summary of your contribution, rated as:

- **Minor:** 1–8 hours (single-day event)
- **Intermediate:** 1–2 days of service
- **Major:** 3 or more days of service

Use this Google Form to nominate yourself or a fellow student: <https://forms.gle/e9c2urum8E1LiyMGA>

Nominations must be submitted before Friday, June 20th.


Thank you to all of the students who make Esquimalt High such a vibrant and caring community. We see you and we appreciate you!


Sincerely,
Esquimalt High


Esquimalt High Scholarships and Bursaries

A variety of scholarships and bursaries for students graduating from Esquimalt. This 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).

 **Deadline: June 25th.**

 To view the list of awards, [click here](#).

 Applications are found on the Scholarship & Postsecondary Google Classroom. The application itself has TWO PARTS: paper submission and digital submission. Both parts must be completed to be considered for these awards.

 **Fun fact:** the number one reason why grads do not apply for these awards is that they do not have a letter of recommendation. Best get on this right now! 😊

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- **Due June 25.**
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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.

ICA’s Diversity Scholarships

ICA’s Diversity Scholarships are awarded to students from a diverse and/or immigrant background who demonstrate in their academic and community work active support for strong community values around diversity, equity, and inclusion in the Capital Region. Awards provide up to a maximum of \$5,000.

 Deadline to apply: **June 20, 2025**

 [Apply here](#)

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.

For more information and to access the application form, click the title below:

[Cst. Sarah Beckett Memorial Scholarship - CRD Traffic Safety Commission](#)

Cst. Sarah Beckett Memorial Scholarship. The \$2,000 Constable Sarah Beckett Memorial Scholarship is open for applications until June 27, 2025. This scholarship is available to post-secondary students who live in the capital region and have demonstrated academic achievement, financial need, community service and an expressed interest in pursuing a career in law enforcement.

crdtrafficsafety.ca

Parent Connect: How to Check Report Cards online?

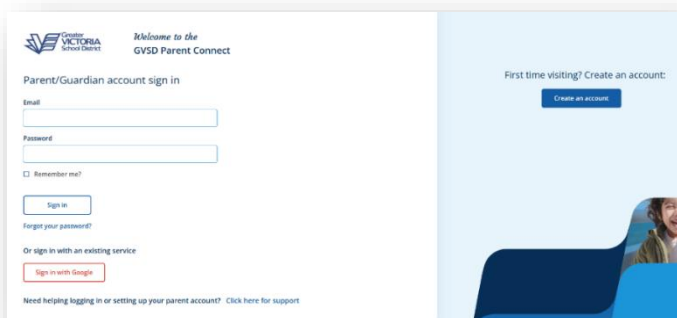
Our Learning Updates (Report Cards) are updated in the [Parent Connect Online System](#). The service reduces the amount of paper forms and allows parents and school staff to review a student's consent information on-demand.

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.

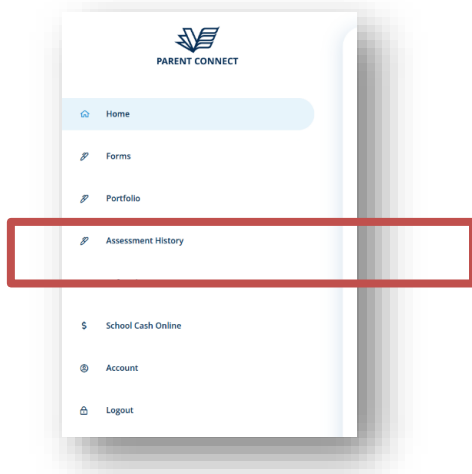
Paper copies will only be available **upon request** in person from the office.

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

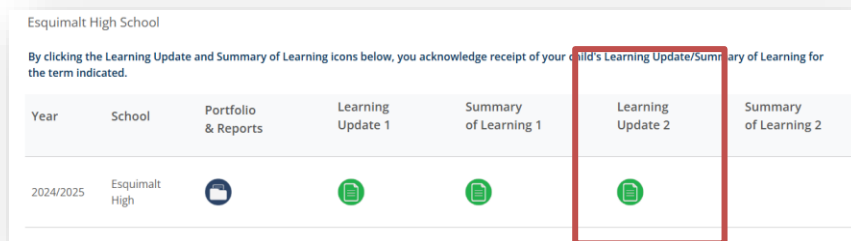
How to access to the Learning updates? Here are the steps



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.

New Dockside Dispatch: Student News in Action



We're excited to share **Dockside Dispatch**, our school's own news production featuring **student-created stories, reports, and more!**

Catch the latest episodes and explore past features by visiting the **Dockside Dispatch Archive**:

[🔗 Dockside Dispatch Archive – Click here](#)

Stay informed and support our talented students!

[New video!](#) 📺

Ask first.



Reminder about taking photos and filming at Esquimalt

CONSENT is important.

BEFORE taking a student or staff members' photo or filming, you must ask for permission first.

REMINDERS

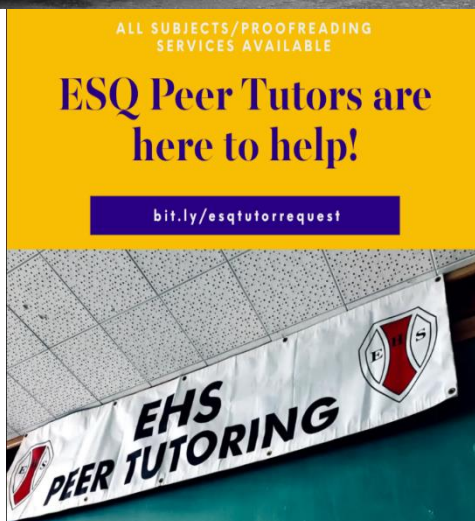
Bee a Good Neighbour!

A reminder that our Student Code of Conduct extends beyond the walls of our school and into our community!

Please respect our neighborhood businesses and the private property of homes in the area.

Thank you for showing our neighbours how amazing ESQ students are!





Need a counselling appointment?

Scan the QR code below or email us directly for an appointment.



SCHOOL BASED COUNSELLORS

Personal counselling, course changes, post-secondary and academic advising.

Allyson Hoffman (she/her)

(A to K): ahoffman@d61.bc.ca *Monday to Friday

Anastasia Andrews (she/her)

(L to Z): aandrews@d61.bc.ca *Monday to Friday

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADVISING

Tim Zemanek (he/him): tzemanek@d61.bc.ca

YOUTH & FAMILY COUNSELLORS (YFC)

Personal and family counselling. **NOT COURSE CHANGES.**

Bob Beattie (he/him): bbeattie@d61.bc.ca *Monday to Wednesday

Michaela Louie (she/her): mlouie@d61.bc.ca *Tuesday to Friday

Tanya Hadley (she/her): thadley@d61.bc.ca *Monday, Wednesday & Thursday

Emily Stark (she/her): estark@d61.bc.ca *Fridays

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

Attention: Last day to load money on your Café card will be Monday June 2nd
The Café is still open and will accept cash and any remaining card balances.
The last day for food service is Thursday June 19th.

CAFETERIA ESQ Café Menu – June 16 – June 20

Monday	Pasta Bolognese or Pasta primavera
Tuesday	Chicken shawarma, flat bread, tzatziki, pickled vegetables
Wednesday	Pulled chicken sandwich, adobo marinated chicken, jalapeno Havarti, chipotle aioli, pickled onion, arugula, served with potato chips
Thursday	Poutine Day, house cut fries, cheese curds, choice of duck confit, pulled pork, or fried marinated tofu, finished with gravy and green onions.
Friday	No Café Service

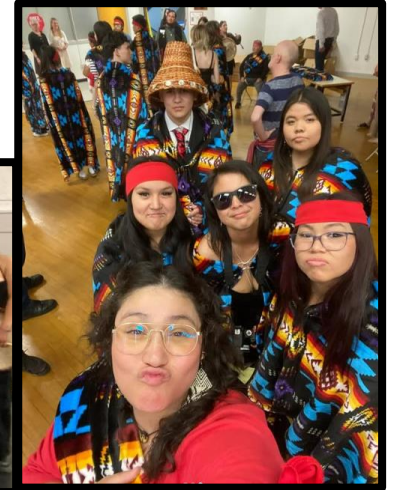


SHARING OUR STORIES OF SUCCESS

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING INDIGENOUS STUDENTS!

We were so honoured to join a celebration of our Indigenous student graduates last night! We are so proud of you all. ♥

Special congratulations to Chanelle Thomas and Cassandra James for receiving scholarships. Thank you to our Indigenous Education staff for their support and encouragement of our students!



Art In the Park: Painting the Skate Ramps at Anderson Park!

This is a sanctioned art project supported by Esquimalt Township. Thank you to all the artists who are participating in this creative activity.





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CYCLE FOR CHANGE:

A fantastic day for "Cycle for Change", a fundraiser for Aldea Maya, a non-profit student education fund! Cyclists, hot dogs, music and more!



CONGRATULATIONS TO ASHA, JUNO AND MARGARET FOR BEACH VOLLEYBALL!

Congratulations to Esquimalt's sole team in this year's High School Beach Championship in Parksville this weekend! Asha and Juno hit the podium in 3rd place for Grade 11 girls on the Island! 🏆 Congratulations also goes out to Grade 10 Esquimalt High student Margaret who successfully completed her beach certification in refereeing!! Go Dockers!!!

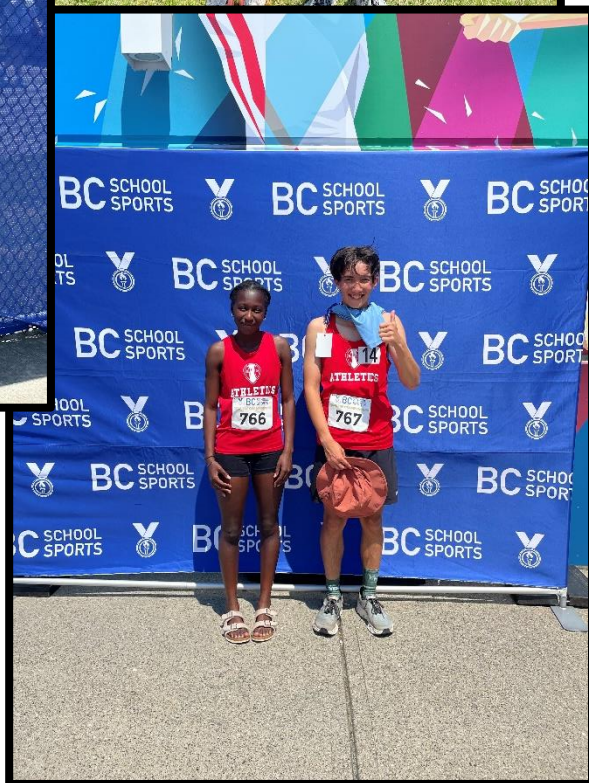




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BC Championships for Track

Congratulations to those that competed at BC Championships for Track. It was a great experience, and Esquimalt was represented proudly by Sofia Bertuccio, Oliver Kim, Shayda Beloin and Ohenewaa Owusu-N. These are all Junior athletes, so they have lots of time to develop their athletic ability. Some ran Personal bests and all were inspired and excited for next year.





SHARING OUR STORIES OF SUCCESS

ESQUIMALT FINE ARTS FIASCO! WELL DONE EVERYONE...

