

Important Dates

Challenge Information Night: January 7th, 2026 at 7:00pm at Esquimalt High School

Parents and students are invited to attend an information evening regarding the Challenge programs offered by Esquimalt and Mount Doug respectively. The evening will provide parents and students an opportunity to further understand the 4C Challenge program. The evening will include: a presentation from both school's Challenge coordinators; student testimony; opportunity to engage with Challenge teachers and students; and a question-and-answer session with the Challenge coordinators.

Part One of Application Form Due: January 14th, 2026

Application Forms can be found on this website, and must be filled out and emailed or returned to Esquimalt High School by January 14th, 2024. This form will indicate the intention to apply to the Esquimalt High Challenge Program.

District Testing: January 23rd, 2026

Testing will occur at Esquimalt High in our library. The District Challenge Testing process makes use of the OLSTAT Lennon, and CCAT tests and includes a small written component. Testing usually takes 2 hours.

Portfolios Due: January 30th, 2026

Portfolios may be submitted in hard copy (in a binder), or digitally via email or USB drive. If using a USB drive, it should be submitted in or attached to a binder.

All binders must have the student's name on the front and spine of the binder.

Applicants may submit their portfolios at the District Testing Session.

Portfolios should include: a letter of intent from the applicant that outlines their reasons for applying to the program, a copy of their most recent report card (including a photo), examples of schoolwork they may be proud of (1 or 2 items), and any artifact that connects to or demonstrates their passion(s). Photographs of artifacts will suffice.