

# EMCS News



## Edward Milne Community School

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Sooke, BC V9Z 1J1



### October 13, 2021

EMCS would like to acknowledge the Coast Salish Territory, specifically we would like to acknowledge T'Sou-ke Nation, who have been gracious enough to share the beautiful land on which EMCS is built. We would also like to acknowledge Scia'new Nation, Nuu-chah-nulth: Pacheedaht Nation, and Métis Nation whom EMCS and District 62 work closely with.



### The Weekly Schedule :

Monday	Sr. Girls' Volleyball 3:30pm-5:15pm Concert Band 3:20pm-4:30pm
Tuesday	Cross Country practice 3:20pm-4:15pm Jr. Girls' Volleyball practice 4pm-5:30pm
Wednesday	Concert band 7:30am-8:30am Wellness Centre open 9:30am-3:00pm Jr. Girls' Volleyball practice 4pm-5:30pm
Thursday	Cross Country practice 3:20pm-4:15pm
Friday	Jr. Girls' Volleyball practice 4pm-5:30pm

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## Important Dates to Remember:



Oct 21	Great Canadian Shakeout
Oct 22	Pro -D —students not in session
Oct 25	Picture Day Retakes
Oct 29	Hallowe'en Dress up
Nov 11	Remembrance Day —students not in session
Nov 12	Quarter 1 "I" Day
Nov 15	Quarter 2 Begins
Nov 18	Early dismissal(3 hours early) Parent/Teacher Conferences 2pm-4pm, 5pm-7pm
Nov 19	Pro -D —students not in session
Dec 17	Last Day of school before Winter Break
Jan 4	School re-opens
Jan 12-14	Grad Photos
Feb 2	Quarter 3 Begins
Feb 18	Pro -D —students not in session
Feb 21	Family Day —students not in session
Mar 18	Last day of school before March Break
Apr 4	School re-opens
Apr 7	Early Dismissal(3 hours)
Apr 8	Pro -D —students not in session
Apr 15 & 18	Good Friday & Easter Monday —students not in session
Apr 19-22	Grade 12 Capstone Presentations
Apr 27	Quarter 4 begins
May 13	Pro -D —students not in session
May 23	Victoria Day —students not in session
June 2	Grad Rehearsal– tentative
June 4	Grad—tentative
June 18	Prom—tentative
June 29	Last Day of school

### EMCS Admin Contacts

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Students A to K +  
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Students L to Z

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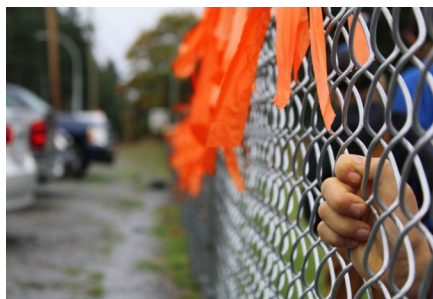
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Please visit our website at:

[https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/about/  
staff/](https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/about/staff/)

for teacher contact information

# Around the school

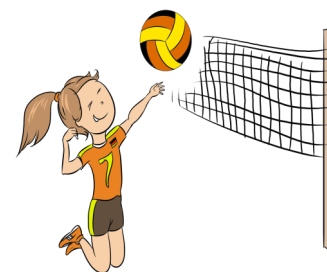


A huge **THANK YOU** to our students, staff, families and community for your support during the

**All Grade 10 and 12 students** will have a mandatory assessment(s) coming up (**Numeracy 10, Literacy 10, Literacy 12**) during the first week of November. If your student will be writing an assessment/assessments an individual email will be sent home closer to the date scheduled. Please note

**EMCS Modern Languages Club** meets every Wednesday at lunch time in Room 2031. Click [here](#) for more information, or see Ms. Loepky!

**Volleyball at EMCS** kicked off to a successful start! After much planning and pre-season prep by coaches Dale, Marie-Ann, and Ms. Melvin, the Junior and Senior girls were winning games in no time! Both teams have conquered their Saanich division, and the Senior girls competed in the prestigious Camosun Tournament October 8th and 9th! The ultimate goal this year is for both teams to earn a spot at the Vancouver Island Championships on Nov 19th and 20th (location TBA).



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If you want to support our volleyball teams please bring your empties to the **EMCS Volleyball Bottle Drive fundraiser this Sunday, October 17th**, in front of the school.

Last but not least, a special shout out to the Athletic Director, Mr. Mennie, and our new teacher-sponsor, Ms. Walker for supporting the Volleyball Wolverines this season! **GO WOLVERINES!!**



**SD62 District Costume Guidelines** for Secondary School Students: (LINK)

# Opportunities/Resources for Everyone



Last chance to order EMCS school and grad wear—orders close this Sunday, October 17th at midnight! Click [here](#) for a sizing chart.

[Click here to order EMCS School clothing.](#)

[Click here to order EMCS Grad clothing.](#)

**Youth for Sooke and Nolan Riding Pro D Camp:** For ages 12-18. Mountain Bike Workshop offered for \$25 on October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9am-2:30pm. Click [here](#) to register.

**BC Youth Parliament is back:** . Please contact the Career Centre staff or Leadership teachers for more information!! Deadline to apply is October 26th: [BC Youth Parliament](#)

**Sooke & Electoral Area Parks and Recreation Commission Youth Member Vacancy:** Interested youth must receive nomination from Mr. Bobbitt, Edward Milne Community School Principal. See here for more information: [Seaparc Youth Member Position](#)

EMCS Career Center **Climate Change Poster Contest**—see the poster for details!

Sooke Autism Support Society invites you to join them for their next meeting, October 19th at 7pm in the Seaparc Boardroom. Click [here](#) for more information!

**School District No.62 (Sooke) is in need of more Education Assistants.** If you have an Education Assistant Certificate or have completed the Community Support Worker Program, we are most definitely interested in hearing from you. Please see the full job description and required qualifications on our website at [www.sd62.bc.ca](http://www.sd62.bc.ca), click on Employment.

**The District of Sooke is taking applications** for a nine-month Climate Action Coordinator Intern position. Click [here](#) to see the job posting!

## School Volunteer Information

Wondering how to get a criminal record check, driver's abstract, etc in order to volunteer in our school? Find the package on our website at <https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/about/volunteer->

## Climate Change Poster Contest



\$100 1st prize~\$75-2nd~ \$25-3rd

Express your concerns, solutions, or calls to action in a poster.

**Hand in to Career Center by Nov.4**



# Grade 12 Updates!



Make sure to check the [Grade 12 Timeline](#) for a list of important dates and things to do during your Grade 12 year!

## October

- Watch the **YouTube video Mr. Phipps posted for Grade 12 students** from the EMCS Counseling Department (*coming soon*).
- Review the [Grad 2022 powerpoint from the October 5 meeting](#).
- **TBD:** Capstone Proposal & Mentor Forms due.
- Look at the schedule for [post-secondary info sessions](#) and register to attend. Check back regularly as the schedule will be updated throughout the year. During 2020-2021, post-secondary info sessions are taking place virtually.
- [Purdy's fundraising](#) efforts begin. You can earn 25% of your individual sales to put towards your Grad fees and Prom tickets! Stay tuned for more info.
- [Apply for post-secondary](#) if you would like to begin your post-secondary studies next September. See your school counsellor if you would like help with the application.
- Log on to your Student Transcripts Service ([STS](#)) account and give consent for the Ministry of Education release your transcripts to the post-secondary schools to which you have applied (or will be applying). It is best to wait until mid-October (when all features of the STS are activated for current Gr. 12 students) to select which post-secondary schools will have electronic access to your transcripts
- Start researching [scholarships, bursaries, and student loans](#). Begin working on your application materials.
- Are you taking an online or paper-based distance learning course? Make sure you are submitting work consistently throughout the school year. Note that many post-secondary schools have very early deadlines for distance learning courses that are required for admission.
- Consider borrowing your prom clothing (dress, tuxedo/suit, shoes, etc.) from the [Magic Wand](#) rather than buying. Why buy a Grad Tux, or Dress when you can borrow one? The Magic Wand is a non-profit organization that offers an eco-friendly and inexpensive alternative to purchasing grad outfits. You can borrow like-new grad dresses, tuxes, suits, shoes and accessories. A small fee for cleaning is the only cost. To book an appointment email Elizabeth at [esurerus@telus.net](mailto:esurerus@telus.net) or Joy at [jandtharrison@shaw.ca](mailto:jandtharrison@shaw.ca). While appointments can be booked starting in October, we do not yet know what Prom is going to look like this year so we encourage students to hold off until more information is released.

# Post Secondary Calendar of Events

**College and University Applications**—Applications for fall 2022 start early, so be sure to check the websites of schools of interest for this year’s dates. Upcoming information sessions are listed below, **sessions tailored specifically for EMCS students and families are highlighted in blue**. For complete details regarding these information sessions check out our website at: <https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/counselling-centre/post-secondary/post-secondary-info-sessions/>

Need help with a post-secondary application? Book an appointment with your counselor at <https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/counselling-centre/book-a-counselling-appointment/>

**Scholarships and Bursaries**—interested in updates regarding scholarships and bursaries? Please join the “*Scholarships 2021-2022*” group on the Wolverine App and/or visit the [scholarship & bursary section](#) of the EMCS website for step-by-step application instructions, a large database of scholarships/bursaries.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Ongoing sessions: <u>Langara College</u> <u>Simon Fraser</u> <u>Thompson Rivers</u>		Oct 12	Oct 13 <a href="#">UBC, 7-8pm</a> (Passcode: <a href="#">929392</a> )	Oct 14 <u>Discover Uvic, 5pm</u> <a href="#">Quest University 5:30pm</a>	Oct 15	Oct 16 <u>Univ. of Alberta Open House 8am-3pm</u>
Oct 17	Oct 18 <u>Discover Uvic 4pm</u>	Oct 19 <u>BC Post-Secondary Fair, 9am-7pm</u>	Oct 20	Oct 21	Oct 22	Oct 23
Oct 24	Oct 25	Oct 26	Oct 27 <u>Discover Uvic, 5pm</u>	Oct 28 <a href="#">UBC Medical 7pm</a>	Oct 29	Oct 30

# EMCS PAC Corner

## 2021-2022 PAC Executive Members:

Meetings will be held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at  
6:30 pm at EMCS  
And on MS Teams

President: Glyse Clarkston  
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SPEAC Rep (District PAC): Vacant

Communications Officer: Vacant

Please join us at our next EMCS PAC meeting

November 9th, 2021 @ 6:30 pm

[Click here to join the meeting](#)



*If you wish to attend the online meeting or volunteer with  
EMCS PAC please email [glyseclarkston@gmail.com](mailto:glyseclarkston@gmail.com).  
Thank you!*