

EMCS NEWS

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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, Nu-u-chah-nulth: Pacheedaht Nation, and Métis Nation whom EMCS and District 62 work closely with.

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Dear Students, Parents, and Caregivers:

As we approach summer break, I want to express my heartfelt congratulations for your many accomplishments this year.

Since the return from spring break, I hope you have found joy, belonging, and accomplishment in your school community. I heard from many who were excited about the return to in-person events, such as concerts, science fairs, field trips and the BC School Sports Championships that were hosted with fans in the stands, safely, this year.

Now, with summer in our sights, it is time to relax and recharge, do the things you love, and spend time with the people who bring you joy. Whether you are preparing to move on to a new grade in September, or transitioning to middle or secondary school, know that the challenges you have faced with courage, grace, and compassion have helped shape you for what is ahead.

To the graduating class of 2022, you are taking exciting steps toward your new chapter. No matter where life takes you, I encourage every graduate to keep learning, to keep asking questions, and to never settle for the status quo when you know things can be better. Follow your conscience, follow your passions, with an open heart and an open mind, and you will live full and rewarding lives.

We live in a province full of opportunity, and those in the graduating class of 2022 have become educated citizens who are thoughtful, creative, and capable. You are prepared for your next steps in life, and the future is yours for the taking.

As you look forward to what is to come, this is a time to celebrate.

On behalf of the Government of British Columbia, I wish you all a full and fun-filled summer, with time to refresh and prepare for an exciting school year in 2022/23.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Whiteside
Minister

Ministry of Education
and Child Care

Office of the Minister

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Victoria BC V8W 9E2

Location:
Parliament Buildings
Victoria

FUN DAY @ EMCS

Tuesday, **June 28th**

All B Block classes will be called down by grade to the field for food, drinks, and fun activities.

Activities: Kickball, face paint, spike ball, parachute games, tarot cards, twister, photo booth, bean bag toss, 3-legged race, and more! There will be a **staff vs. students ultimate frisbee game** starting at 11:45 am. All staff are invited to play – supporters, be sure to come to cheer on Mr. Caryk's ultimate skills!

Each student will receive 10 free activity tickets, one food ticket, and one drink ticket from their teacher. Students – don't forget to bring change to buy additional activity tickets for 25¢ (proceeds will go towards school events next year).

Important Dates to Remember:

June 28	Fun Day
June 28	Yearbook Distribution during Fun Day
June 29	Quarter 4 "1" Day—Last Day of school



EMCS MAJOR AWARDS EVENING JUNE 16, 2022

We were pleased to have the opportunity to celebrate the success of our students in person back in the EMCS Theatre. Thank you to the proud family members and staff who attended to support the recipients.



EMCS student Lily Schaefer speaks at the unveiling of Red Dress art pieces at her school on "Vancouver Island." Photo courtesy of Kristi Schaefer



Please open the link here to read the full article

<https://indiginews.com/vancouver-island/red-dress-art-pieces-unveiled-outside-vancouverisland-schools>



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<https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/about/staff/>

for staff contact information

Track and Field

The EMCS Track & Field Team had a remarkable 2022 season, topped off with a podium finish at the BC Track & Field Championships. With a very strong team this year, led by Ashton Fowler, Keanu Kanealii, and Yu Okaniwa, EMCS went into the Island Championships with some of the top ranked sprinters and hurdles on the island. These athletes dominated on the track at the Island Championships with all 3 of them making it to their respective Finals, and Ashton and Keanu qualifying in the top 3 and earning spots to the BC Provincial Championships. Ashton Fowler qualified in the 100m and 200m sprints, and Keanu Kanealii qualified in the 100m Hurdles. Yu Okaniwa missed qualifying for the Provincial Championships by just 1.5 seconds in the 400m. In an extremely sad turn of events, Ashton injured his hamstring before the BC Championships and was not able to compete. On the bright side, he is only in grade 11 and will have another shot next year to become the fastest high school student in the province. Keanu Kanealii on the other hand, arrived in Langley ready to represent EMCS against the best in province. Keanu entered the BC Championships with the 12th best time (16.85 seconds). Keanu destroyed his personal best time in the heats, running a season best time and placing himself in the 100m Hurdles Final! Keanu ran a time of 16.13 seconds at the BC Championships making him the 5th fastest Junior hurdling in the province! For the first time since 2014, EMCS was on the podium at the BC Track & Field Championships. EMCS Head Track & Field Coach, Zac Vine, stated "this team worked extremely hard, training for 4 months, and in my 12 years of coaching I have never been prouder of a group of student-athletes."





Volleyball Celebration— Jr. Girls Most Improved - Calala Beckers
 Jr. Girls Most Sportsmanlike - Claire Simister, Jr. Girls MVP - Ines Santamalia
 Sr. Girls Most Sportsmanlike- Jackie Isaacson, Sr. Girls MVP- Hannah Dahmer



2022 EMCS SUMMER VOLLEYBALL CAMP

JUNIOR
Girls & Boys

Entering Grade 10
 Or younger

Mon – Tues - Wed
 August 29 – 30 - 31
 9:00 am – 11:45 am

SENIOR
Girls & Boys

Entering Grades 11 & 12

Mon – Tues - Wed
 August 29 – 30 - 31
 12:15 pm – 3 pm

E.M.C.S. Gymnasium
 6218 Sooke Road, Sooke, BC

COST: \$40 includes t-shirt and snacks

For more information and to register, send email to:

EMCS Volleyball Coach – Marie-Ann Davidson

emcsvolleyball@hotmail.com

or call/text: 250-361-7869



Skills Canada Provincials

Congratulations Evan Fletcher in winning a silver medal!

EMCS PAC

If you are interested in joining the PAC as vice president or SPEAC Rep (district PAC) please reach out to us.

If you want to advocate, support, contribute, advise, assist, or enhance EMCS come to a meeting! No commitment needed, join online or in person, one-hour meetings once a month. PAC can encourage involvement with your community and school. What are you waiting for? It's just a click away.

2021-2022 PAC Executive Members:

President: Glyse Clarkston glyseclarkston@gmail.com

Vice President: Vacant

Treasurer: Janine Houchin

Secretary: Olivia Hollinger doh8302@yahoo.com

SPEAC Rep (District PAC): Vacant

Communications Officer: Vacant



INDIGENOUS PEOPLE DAY CAMP FIRE COOK OUT

Summer Camp
Presented by the Victoria Native Friendship Centre
Multiday Camping Trip on Sidney Spit!
August 9th-12th
For ages 12-18 years old, free for attendees, food and supplies provided.
Pick up registration forms from the front reception at the VNFC or request an emailed copy from Brayden.c@vnfc.ca
The Victoria Native Friendship Centre is located at 231 Regina Ave
Phone: 250.384.5211
Fax: 250.384.1586

VICTORIA NATIVE FRIENDSHIP CENTRE
YOUTH DEPARTMENT
End of School Year
BBQ PARTY
Celebrate the end of the school year with us and join us for a Barbecue!
THURSDAY JUNE 30 2022
5:00PM-6:30PM
231 Regina Ave, Victoria, BC
REGISTRATION REQUIRED TO ATTEND REGISTER BY JUNE 18
Contact: aly.wj@vnfc.ca | 250-886-9825

VICTORIA NATIVE FRIENDSHIP CENTRE
SUMMER CAMP
STREET DANCE THEATRE
BOOT CAMP
FOOD PROVIDED
FREE FOR ATTENDEES
AUGUST 16TH-19TH, FOR AGES 12-18
MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTIONS EVENT
PICK UP REGISTRATION FORMS FROM THE FRONT RECEPTION AT THE VNFC OR REQUEST AN EMAILED COPY FROM BRAYDEN.C@VNFC.CA
THE VICTORIA NATIVE FRIENDSHIP CENTRE IS LOCATED AT 231 REGINA AVE
PHONE: 250.384.5211
FAX: 250.384.1586

Culinary Arts

Top Chef EMCS edition. The cafeteria students battle for culinary supremacy in the final challenge of the year. Four groups compete but there can be only one champion! Or a four way tie... that happens sometimes too.



Framers Wanted

Otter Point Construction are looking for Grads or grade 11s interested in working as framers for house builds this summer. Please call: Connor Spencer @ 778-679-3856 \$20/hour to start

EMCS Society

<https://www.emcsprograms.ca/first-aid>

- o Standard First Aid 2-day Course: June 25th & 26th \$220 +GST (\$20 certification included).
 - o CPR-C: 4-hour course. June 25th \$52 + GST (\$20 certification included).
- Emergency First Aid: June 25th \$120 + GST (\$20 certification included).

sooke Youth Show Choir is having Le Fantome Fri June 24th 7pm
Sat June 25th 7 pm and Sun June 26th at 2 pm



**We want to hear what
you think!**

Please join the open house consultation to help define a place for all residents to come together for friendship, food and fun.

All generations welcome!

Thurs., June 30th, 1:30pm - 5pm
EMCS Gym
www.SookeGatheringPlace.ca



Sooke Youth Show Choir
presents
Le Fantôme
A Haunting Love Story

Showtimes
June 24 7:00 PM • June 25 7:00 PM • June 26 2:00 PM

Tickets
General (16+) \$12 • Youth (3-16) \$6 • Under 3 Free
Family Pack (2 General 3 Youth) \$36
Venue EMCS Society Theatre

Tickets at the door or e-mail for online payment
sookeyouthshowchoir@gmail.com



Youth Rugby Camp
July 22nd - 9am to 12pm
@ EMCS Field, Sooke



AGES: 6 TO 16
COST: Free
WHERE: EMCS School, Sooke
WHEN: Friday, July 22nd, 9am-12pm
REGISTRATION: Participants must register online at:
thunderrugby.ca/sooke

Staff & programming provided by BC Grassroots Rugby







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!

GRADE 12 STUDENTS STARTING AT UVIC IN SEPT:

Academic advising is now available for admitted students. UVic encourages students to book a meeting with their faculty's academic adviser(s) as soon as possible. This is a busy time of year for Academic Advising and availability is limited. Admitted students can find their appropriate academic adviser on the [Undergraduate academic advisers webpage](#).

Student Transcripts Service (STS) – Post-Secondary Institution Selections

Grade 12 students can now make their post-secondary institution (PSI) selections in the [StudentTranscripts Service](#) (STS). How and when transcript information is sent will depend on the PSI and the options selected in STS. For full details, please visit the [Transcripts and Post-Secondary Selection](#) web page.

Grade 12 students can make up to 25 free PSI selections in STS. They are also entitled to order one free printed transcript (by mail) after graduation, which can be sent to any address they choose. All other transcript orders in STS (including [PDF transcripts](#)) are \$10 each.



Important Reminder about Authorizing Select PSIs to Retrieve Transcripts Updates - If a student's selected PSI is capable of receiving [ongoing electronic updates](#) (i.e., XML transcripts), the student should choose the second option to "Send my transcript now and allow this Post-Secondary Institution to request transcript updates until the date specified below." To ensure there are no issues with their PSI application process, it is also recommended that they leave the authorization period set to the default date of one year.

Help Resources - Detailed STS help videos and documentation are available at [StudentTranscripts Service Help Documentation](#).

Questions? - Email: StudentTranscripts@gov.bc.ca



Information from the University of Victoria



Registration 101 events for graduating grade 12 students: UVic is offering presentations to new students on how to prepare for course registration. **This session is highly recommended for all new students as there have been some changes with the interface and the functionality of the course registration system.** Registration is open now!

Information for Students Applying to the University of Victoria

Next Steps Events are open for registration. These Faculty specific events will be highly valuable to Fall 2022 applicants. Sessions will include:

- a) *Next Steps Webinars* (aka. Self-reporting 101 presentations) - Applicants learn about self-reporting grades, applying for scholarships and applying for residence.
- b) *Faculty spotlight/Showcase* – Applicants join faculty, staff and students from their intended program to learn more about the experiences are available to them as first year students.
- c) *Residence Spotlight* – Applicants learn more about on-campus housing options (including our brand-new housing and dining facilities), learn how our community leaders and staff support residents, and get tips on the residence application.
- d) *Paddling Together* – Applicants learn more about opportunities and services available to Indigenous students at UVic. We'll talk about band funding, scholarships and student residence, and invite members of UVic's Indigenous community to share their wisdom and experiences.
- e) *How to register with the Centre for Accessible Learning* – Applicants can join our team at the [Centre for Accessible Learning \(CAL\)](#) to learn more about their services, how students with a diagnosed condition that presents barrier to learning can register for academic accommodations, and when to apply.