

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



PEKELANEW -Moon that turns the leaves white (Oct.)



Important Dates to Remember:



Oct 27	Movie Night at 6pm in the EMCS Theatre
Oct 30-Nov 3	Grade 10's Numeracy & Literacy Assessments & Grade 12 Literacy Assessments
Nov 1	Grade 9's—Take our Kids to Work Day
Nov 2	Photo Re-Take Day
Nov 7	Grade 12 Assembly
Nov 10	Remembrance Assembly
Nov 11	Remembrance Day
Nov 13	STAT—Day in Lieu
Nov 14	Block Rotation this day will be A B
Nov 14	PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm
Nov 23	3 hr Early Dismissal & Learning Conferences
Nov 24	Non-Instructional Day
Nov 27-Dec 8	10,000 Tonight Campaign
Dec 12	PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm
Dec 21	Locker Cleanout
Dec 22	Santa Breakfast



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

Important EMCS PAC Information

2023-2024 Primary PAC Fundraiser Info:

In 2023, the British Columbia Community Gaming Grants program changed its policies to exclude bursaries and scholarships from what is allowable use of funds. The EMCS PAC has invested in the youth of our community through PAC bursaries for decades and are intent on actively fundraising to allow us to continue to financially support our students now and as they move on to their post secondary endeavors.

Our intention is not to compete with our sports teams or other charities in our community, so we will stay away from bottle drives, bake sales, meat draws, 50/50 tickets etc., and after years of COVID and financial strain on the resources of families and charities in our community, we want to do something that is easy and enjoyable to everyone involved.

We have settled on creating a win-win scenario with local business to create an online auction for April of 2024 that encourages shopping from local business for Mother's Day, Father's Day, Graduation and summer fun, in addition to daily needs. Thanks to a donation already secured to get this started, 100% of proceeds from this online auction, after payment fees, will go towards supporting our students at EMCS and those beginning their post secondary adventures.

What we are asking of you, is to connect us with local businesses that would be willing to participate. These businesses will gain exposure and an opportunity to showcase themselves. If you own a business, or know someone who does, that is located in the catchment area of EMCS, please recommend them to us by filling in the google form linked [here](#) or email me directly at TerryLangridge@TLCFS.ca so I can connect with them before October 31, 2023.

Thank you in advance,

Terry Langridge

Vice-President EMCS PAC

Provincial Assessments

The BC Graduation Program requires all grade 10-12 students to write the following Graduation Assessments: Numeracy 10, Literacy 10, and Literacy 12. These three assessments are a requirement for graduation. There are 4 assessment windows over the course of the school year, and students can re-write an assessment up to 2 additional times.

Assessment Window Dates:

1. October 30 – November
2. January 22 – 26
3. April 15-18
4. June 10 - 14

Students in Grade 10 will write their Numeracy 10 assessment and their Literacy 10 assessment in their regular Math and English classes during the corresponding Assessment Window. Students writing their Literacy 12 assessment will NOT write it during their English 12 class, but will be booked into writing it during the first assessment window (October 30 – November 3).

More information about assessments will be emailed directly to parent/guardians at a later date.

If you have a student who would like to see a sample provincial assessment, please visit:

Grade 10 Numeracy - <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/grade-10-numeracy-assessment>

Grade 10 Literacy - <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/grade-10-literacy-assessment>

Grade 12 Literacy - <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/grade-12-literacy-assessment>



Student Opportunities

DUAL CREDIT COURSES IN COMMUNITY, FAMILY & CHILD STUDIES

Course Option 1 - Online Delivery

HEALTH 111 - INDIGENOUS PEOPLES HEALTH

Students will explore Indigenous peoples' health experiences: past, present, and future. Using a strength-based and holistic perspective, students will learn about the current realities of Indigenous peoples' health experiences, and will be introduced to traditional healing practices. Students will be able to use this knowledge to further their own understanding of Indigenous peoples' health, and can apply this experience to work with children, families and in community.

Course Option 2 - On Campus Delivery

ELC 170 - WORKING WITH FAMILY & COMMUNITY

Students will be introduced to understanding the changing roles of families in our current society. Students study developmental tasks of families, historical and emerging themes with an emphasis on supporting families and establishing respectful, reciprocal partnerships. Students will be introduced to Indigenous world views in order to broaden their thinking about children and their families, including the impact of residential schools and on-going colonization & skills of reconciliation. Families are viewed within a strength-based perspective & special emphasis is placed on the knowledge, skills, beliefs and values required to work in partnership with diverse families.

ELC 170 & Health 111 are part of the following programs:



Course prerequisite: C+ in Eng 12. See your Careers Team if you are in Gr 12. Students need to be independent learners that feel ready to start a college course.

Course Delivery Details
 Health 111. Online. Tuesdays 5 - 8pm. Jan - Apr
 ELC 170. On Campus. Fridays 3 - 6pm. Jan - Apr
 @ Camosun's CHW Building, Interurban
 Classes are scheduled over Spring Break
 Take one or both courses!



DUAL CREDIT PROGRAMS IN EARLY LEARNING & CARE (ECE)

PROGRAM OPTION 1 - FULL TIME ON CAMPUS (X06)

- Weekday Delivery. Starts in January
- On Campus @ Camosun's Interurban Campus
- Full time for four terms (Summers Off).
 Winter 2024 + Fall 2024 + Winter 2025 + Fall 2025

PROGRAM OPTION 2 - PART TIME ONLINE (SOME F2F)

- Evenings & Weekends Delivery. Starts in January
- Mostly online classes & meeting on campus once per month
- Part time (3 to 4 classes per term). Six terms (Summer classes req).
- Possible to take a course at high school concurrently, if required

For more information talk to your school based Careers Team

**Victoria!
Come Visit Us!**

OPEN HOUSE

Boat rides!
Learn about the Naval Reserve
Navy-themed Competitions
Try the FORCE Test!
Do you have what it takes to meet the Navy's fitness standards?

It's the Naval Reserve's Centennial! Learn about 100 years of naval reservists serving Victorians and Canadians!

**Saturday
October 28
10am - 2pm**

**Where:
HMCS Malahat
20 Huron Street, Victoria BC
off Dallas Road near Fisherman's Wharf**

Calling All Technology & Engineering Enthusiasts...

TEAC 105 - EXPLORATIONS IN TECHNOLOGY

EXPLORES FOUR TECHNOLOGIES THROUGH INQUIRY, PROBLEM SOLVING & PROJECT-BASED LEARNING!

Civil Engineering Electronics Mechanical Engineering Computer Science

WHAT WOULD YOU LEARN?

- Civil Eng.** Identify various civil engineering projects and the role that civil engineering plays in each. Apply civil engineering methods and calculations to a simple design and civil engineering project.
- Mechanical Eng.** Demonstrate simple 3D CAD modeling skills, basic shop skills and safety techniques, and identify the design elements associated with the completion of a small mechanical engineering project.
- Electronics** Create a simple electronics circuit, describe simple microcontroller programming concepts, and list the elements of and build a small electronics project.
- Computer Science** Use a programming language to examine the fundamentals of software design and development.

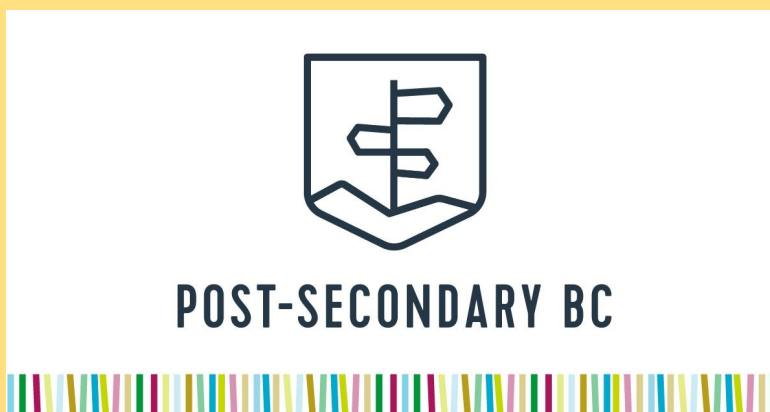
Course Details

- Structure:** 3 hours per week, for 13 weeks
- Start Dates:** Fall Session—late September
Winter Session—late January
- Time:** Fridays: 3- 6pm
- Delivery:** On Campus, Face to Face Classes
- Cost:** Students are responsible for paying the application fee (EPBC) \$46.18
- Eligibility:** Open to students in Gr 10-12 from our partnership school districts
- Prerequisites:** None

SIP To apply or receive more information, see your high school careers team!

CAMOSUN COLLEGE

Post-Secondary Information



On Monday, Nov. 6, EMCS is pleased to welcome representatives from BC colleges, universities, technical institutes, and the Canadian Forces.

Grade 11 and 12 students will tour the commons and meet the representatives during first block. This is an opportunity for students to learn about programs, admission requirements, athletics, scholarships, student housing, and more.

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA GUSTAVSON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS INFO SESSION AT EMCS

Representatives from UVIC's Gustavson School of Business will be at EMCS to share information about their Bachelor of Commerce Degree. Students in Grades 11 & 12 are welcome to register.

When: Tuesday, October 31 at 11:00am

Where: EMCS Office Seminar Room

Register here: <https://forms.office.com/r/vKZi6WaHWp>

UBC MEDICAL SCHOOL INFORMATION SESSION AT EMCS

Are you in Grade 10 to 12 and interested in finding out what it takes to become a physician? A current UBC Med School student will be at EMCS to tell you all about medical school, including the application process, what high school and university courses to take, life as a med school student, how to get trained in different medical specialties, how to pay for med school, etc. Parents/guardians are welcome to attend too!

When: Wednesday, November 8 at 7:00pm

Where: EMCS Theatre

Register here: <https://forms.office.com/r/h2LaJJU5MM>

VARIOUS BC POST-SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Check the **[Post-Secondary BC Events](#)** page for a lengthy list of events being offered by BC post-secondary schools.

Around the school

LUNCH @ EMCS

VERSION 3

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
 Q&A With Greer, Ms. Spalding, Ms. Hawkings & Ms. Verhoeven in the LLC	 BOARD GAMES CLUB With Ms. Jones in the LLC	 CLIMATE CLUB With Ms. Loeppy in the LLC	 DUNGEONS & DRAGONS in the LLC	 CREATIVE WRITING With Ms. L'Heureux in Room 2030
 JAMMING CLUB in the Band Room with Bernie	 DUNGEONS & DRAGONS in the LLC	 CHESS CLUB With Mr. Divell & Mr. McKay in the LLC	PHE GOOGLE CLASSROOM CODE: y5jbnsr	
WHAT'S THE LLC? The Library Learning Commons. It opens at 8am everyday and is open for eating at lunch!	DID YOU KNOW... Most clubs are drop-in... just show up and try something new! Clubs change throughout the year!	 YEARBOOK CLUB With Ms. Lutze in lab 2042	FREE LUNCH FOR ALL STUDENTS Look for the "daily special" no questions asked.	
LEADERSHIP CLASS 3:30-5:00 PM in the LLC				
IN THE GYM @ LUNCH				
Waiver must be signed to play! Sign up by visiting Google Classroom Code y5jbnsr				
VOLLEYBALL	BASKETBALL	SOCCER	ULTIMATE	BADMINTON

EMCS Climate Contest

EMCS School-wide Climate Contest

How to earn points:

Category 1: Break up with fossil fuel companies!

- 3 points-I got to and from school today using zero fossil fuels (walk, bike, ebike, skateboard, scooter, electric vehicle, plug-in hybrid vehicle on electric mode, carpooling in an EV)
- 2 points-I used less fossil fuels to get to and from school today (school bus, city bus, gasoline hybrid vehicle, carpooling in a gas hybrid)
- 1 point-I carpoled today (gas or diesel vehicle with more than one student in it)

Category 2: Create less waste!

- 2 points-I didn't put any food in the garbage/compost/dish pile today
- 1 point-I ate only vegetarian food at school today
- 1 point-My lunch/snacks included food grown/raised on Vancouver Island
- 1 point-My lunch, snacks, and drinks today were packaging-free (using only cafeteria dishes/reusable containers & cutlery)
- 1 point-I picked up and recycled/throw out 5+ pieces of litter outside today
- 1 point-My outfit today was at least 50% secondhand/thrifted clothing

Category 3: Take action!

- 20 points-I wrote a sincere letter or email to any member of the government, or someone in charge of a company, asking them to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Or, I wrote a letter to the editor about climate change and was published in a newspaper
- 5 points per platform-I made a sincere public social media post about reducing greenhouse gasses. This can include posting your words, your art, your music, etc.
- 5 points per person-I had a sincere conversation with a friend or family member about why climate action matters to me
- 5 points per hour-I planted, cared for, or harvested any plant at school, my house, or a community garden
- 5 points per hour-I volunteered with a nonprofit environmental organization

Note: You can earn points for "Category 3-Action" outside of school days: just record them on the next school day.

This contest ends April 30, 2024. In May, prizes for two winners will be awarded:

- A bike from Recyclistas (\$300 value), custom-made to your size!
- A \$300 gift certificate to Fuca Cycles!

GOOGLE CLASSROOM for contest: bx6fd5t

November Scoresheet:

-Record the points you earned in each category each school day, on the honour system.
 -In the event you win the contest or there is a tie, you may be asked to provide evidence of your climate actions. This could be in the form of statements from people who observe your everyday actions (guardians, teachers, friends, etc.), and/or saved documentation.
 -Submit this scoresheet at the end of the month to Ms. Loeppy (room 2030) & get a new sheet for next month, or join the Google Classroom **bx6fd5t** to do all this digitally instead of on paper.
 -Current contest leaders' names will be published in the school announcements (if they want to be).

School Day	1: Fossil Fuels	2: Waste and Food	3: Action
Wed. Nov. 1			
Thurs. Nov. 2			
Fri. Nov. 3			
Mon. Nov. 6			
Tues. Nov. 7			
Wed. Nov. 8			
Thurs. Nov. 9			
Fri. Nov. 10			
Tues. Nov. 14			
Wed. Nov. 15			
Thurs. Nov. 16			
Fri. Nov. 17			
Mon. Nov. 20			
Tues. Nov. 21			
Wed. Nov. 22			
Thurs. Nov. 23			
Mon. Nov. 27			
Tues. Nov. 28			
Wed. Nov. 29			
Thurs. Nov. 30			
TOTALS:			

MY TOTAL POINTS IN NOVEMBER: _____

Signature: _____

Name (first and last): _____ Grade: _____

Around the School Cont.



MOVIE NIGHT
Hotel Transylvania
Family Friendly

movie time!
DONATION OF \$5 FOR VIEWING
CASH ONLY

Bake Sale to Support EMCS Leadership!

FRIDAY OCT, 27
6:00PM
EMCS Community Theatre

The poster features a white ghost in the top left, a spider on a string in the top right, and another ghost in the middle right. A thought bubble with 'movie time!' is next to the donation text. The background is orange with a spiderweb in the bottom left.



FALL/HALLOWEEN BAKE SALE
OCTOBER 30TH & 31ST

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS GRAD 2024!

The poster is decorated with autumn leaves in shades of orange, red, and yellow. It features illustrations of a cookie, a cinnamon roll, a cupcake, and a candy corn. A small white ghost is visible in the lower left area.



EMCS SOCCER BOTTLE DRIVE



SATURDAY, 4 NOVEMBER 2023
9:00AM-4:00PM

Help support our Senior Boys Soccer team by donating your bottles and cans to the EMCS Parking Lot on the day of the event.



Please contact Mr. Dudzik at edudzik@sd62.bc.ca if you have any questions.

The poster has a blue background with a silhouette of a soccer player running on the right. It includes images of a soccer ball, a pile of plastic bottles, a red soda can, and a blue water bottle.

Around the School Cont.

Apple Pressing at EMCS where our students helped to make and enjoy a cup warm apple cider.



Around the School Cont.

EMCS Soccer Academy practicing on the Fred Milne Turf.



Around the School Cont.

PE Recreation Class enjoying the day at French Beach!





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!

November Timeline

- Check for the updated list of **post-secondary info sessions** taking place.
- **TBD:** Purdy's fundraising closes.
- **November 14, 2023:** Capstone Activity Log AND Mentor Notes #1 are due.
- First draft of your scholarship/bursary letter of application should be done.
- **Transcript Verification Report:** This report will be mailed home in late November or early December. The report contains your demographic information as well as completed courses, credits, and courses in progress. Ensure all information is accurate. See your School Counsellor if there are any errors on the report. The name on the TVR will be as it appears on your high school diploma which will be mailed to the address listed in the summer following graduation.

Make sure you are on track to graduate at the end of your Grade 12 year! Double check your timetable to make sure you are scheduled for the courses you need to graduate. If you aren't sure, make an appointment to see your Counsellor.

BC Ministry of Education website: [Graduation Requirements](#)

Use the following worksheets to plan your high school courses and track your progress towards graduation:

[High School Plan](#)

[Graduation Requirements Checklist](#)



EMCS PAC Corner

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.

2023-2024 PAC Executive Members:

President: Trevor Bligh
Vice President: Terry Langridge
Treasurer: Janine Houchin
Secretary: Danielle Huber
SPEAC Rep (District PAC): Vacant

Our Next Meeting is in person at
EMCS on
November 14 @ 6:30pm

EMCS Society Events and Programs

First Aid <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/first-aid> Nov 18th & 19th 9am-5 pm

Soap Making <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/soap-making> Nov 4th 10 am- 1 pm

<https://www.emcsprograms.ca/foodsafes> Food Safe Nov 4th 9 am-5 pm

<https://www.emcsprograms.ca/make-a-christmas-centrepiece> Make a Christmas Centerpiece Sat
Dec 9th 10 am-12 pm

Lean Team <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/lean-team> every Tues, Thurs & Saturdays

Kickboxing <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/kickboxing> every Tues, Thurs & Saturdays

Drop In Badminton- <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/drop-in-badminton-> every Thursday at Journey
6-9 pm see details

Drop In Volleyball <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/volleyball> every Wednesday at EMCS 6-7:30 pm

Drop In Basketball <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/drop-inbasketball> every Friday at EMCS youth
under 15 6-7 pm, ages 16 and up 7-9 pm (no drop in if it is a stat or non-instruct day, pro-d day)