EMCS NEWS



Edward Milne Community School

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February 5, 2024

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 cafeteria will be closed until February 8.

Our EMCS Food Program will be providing lunches in the commons to students during the cafeteria closure.

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Important Dates to Remember:

Feb 7	Grade 9 Immunizations
Feb 7	Grade 10/11/12 Course Planning Opens
Feb 8	Last day to Order School Clothing
Feb 8	EMCS Open House for Journey Gr 8 Families from 6-7:30pm
Feb 10	EMCS Movie Night—see links for more info
Feb 12	Grade 10/11/12 Course Submission Opens
Feb 12	Cafeteria reopens
Feb 13	PAC Meeting at 6:30pm
Feb 14-16	Grad Photo Re Takes
Feb 16	Non-Instructional Day—no School
Feb 19	Family Day—no School
Feb 23	Grade 10/11/12 Course Submission Closes
Feb 28	Pink Shirt Day
Mar 12	PAC Meeting at 6:30pm
Mar 14	Locker Clean Out
Mar 16-Apr 2	Spring Break
Apr 3	Back to School



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Please visit our website at: https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/about/ staff/ for staff contact information



CALENDAR

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Student Reports

One Student. One Record. All of British Columbia.

Semester 1 Student Reports are now published to MyEd BC

If you have any questions about your marks or comments, please contact the subject teacher (emails can be found <u>here</u>). If your portal password needs to be reset, please reach out to our front office at <u>emcs@sd62.bc.ca</u> or (250) 642-5211.

Family Portal Instructions

MyEd Log In Tips

Video tutorial to support accessing the MyEdBC Family Portal

MyEd BC Parent Portal Temp Password Lookup Tool

Parent Portal – Viewing Student Report Cards

Parent Portal – Viewing Student Transcripts

Course Selection for Next Year

Current Grade 9 through 11 students can start planning their courses for next year in myBlueprint now. Students will be able to submit their selections between Feb. 12 and 23. Course Selection Assemblies:

- Grade 9: Feb 6 in C block after break
- Grade 10: Feb. 6 in D block after break
- Grade 11: Feb. 8 in D block after break

Here is the link for all course selection information: Course Selection for Grade 10 - 12

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Around the School



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Around the School Cont.

EMCS Movie Night on Saturday, February 10, 2024

"Students from the EMCS "Skills for Life" program, present a fantastic and fun afternoon and evening for you, your family and friends! Come on out and join us at the EMCS Theatre on Saturday February 10th for Lunch and a Movie with "Sponge on the Run - SpongeBob Movie" (12:00PM - 3:00PM) or Dinner and a Movie "Free Guy - with Ryan Reynolds" (5:00PM - 9:00PM) or BOTH! There will also be a silent Auction, with some spectacular items that have been donated by our incredibly supportive Sooke Business community. Concession available. (including Veggie Dogs) - Tickets available at the door-"



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Around the School Cont.

Immunizations

Public Health will be providing catch-up immunizations to Grade 10 students who missed their Grade 9 immunizations on February 7th. Only students who have a paper consent form signed by their parent/guardian/representative or who provided mature minor consent during the 2022-2023 school year (Grade 9) will be immunized.

Contact the local Health Unit at 250-519-3487 if you have any questions.



Student Opportunities

Kidovate is Back!

Kidovate is a fun, free entrepreneurship initiative of UVIC's Gustavson School of Business for middle school and high school students. Kidovate aims to develop entrepreneurial spirit and acumen by encouraging participants to sell goods or services on Kidovate Market Day. This year's market will be held on Saturday, April 13th at The Bay Centre. Last year more than 120 young entrepreneurs participated in Kidovate. We do our best to keep the high school students on the same floor of the

Bay Centre, and if there is sufficient demand from high school students, we may be able to hold a separate high school market on Sunday, April 14th. There is no cost to participate in Kidovate and there are many resources available to help youth be successful. Check out <u>http://kidovate.ca/</u>



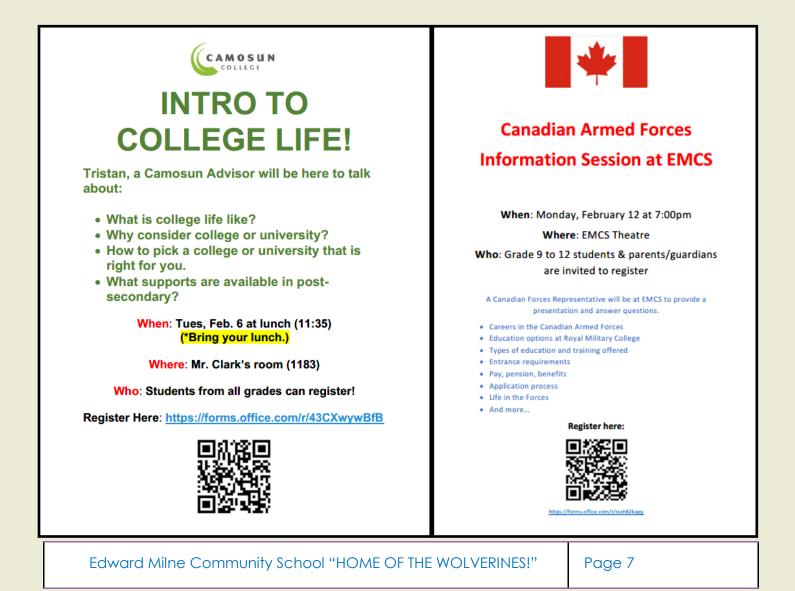
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Student Opportunities Cont.

Two information sessions coming soon:

Intro to College Life, *Feb. 6 at lunch, in room 1183*. Open to students in all grades, this session will cover topics like: What is college life like? Why consider post-secondary education? How do you pick a college or university that is right for you? See the attached poster for more info and a link to the registration form.

Canadian Armed Forces Info Session, *Feb. 12 at 7pm in the EMCS Theatre* Open to students in all grades as well as parents/guardians, this session will cover topics like careers in the armed forces, types of education and training offered, entrance requirements, life in the Forces, etc. See the attached poster for more info and a link to the registration form.

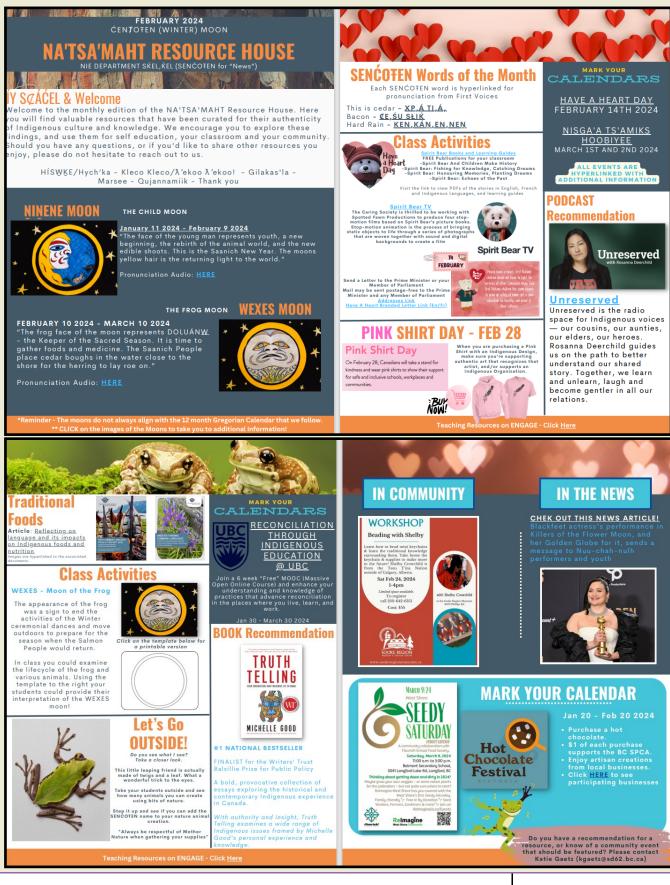


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February Timeline

- If you failed a Semester 1 course, this may impact your ability to graduate and/or be admitted to post- secondary programs. See your School Counsellor if you have questions.
- If you are planning to apply for student housing, application usually starts now.
- February 14 to 16, 2024: Grad Photo retakes
- February 26, 2024: Capstone project preview sessions start today and go until March 15.

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

BC Graduation Requirements Checklist

View Your Transcript on Your <u>MyEducationBC Student Portal Account</u>—<u>click here for instructions</u>

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 BlighVice President:Terry LangridgeTreasurer:Janine HouchinSecretary:Danielle HuberSPEAC Rep (District PAC):VacantCommunications Officer:Vacant

Our Next Meeting is in person at EMCS on February 13 @ 6:30pm

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