



Georges P. Vanier
Secondary School

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Friday Nov 25th, 2022
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NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- * **Would you like to learn more about post-secondary options on Vancouver Island? NIC, VIU, UVic and Camosun recruiters** will present program pathways, partnership agreements and tips for transfer students on **Tuesday, December 6th from 6:30-7:30pm, at Mark R. Isfeld Multipurpose Room.**

The presentation will include how to navigate the post-secondary landscape in BC and on Vancouver Island and the resources and supports that will help inform your post-secondary decisions.

For more information, please email futurestudents@nic.bc.ca.

- * **GSA** will be selling donuts today at lunch near the cafeteria. \$2 per donut!
- * We are pleased to announce that School District 71 and the **Comox Valley RCMP** will host the **14th biennial Mountie Camp May 14 - 19, 2023 at HMCS Quadra.**
Sign up in the Careers office. Space is limited. Cut off for sign up is **December 2, 2022.**
- * Do you want to have a voice with the ministry of education (education planner BC) and earn great pay while doing so? Students will be involved with a focus group to help and assist with developing the new website and needs of students navigating Education Planner BC.

This is open to all students in the province they will be taking a limited number of students. See the careers office for more information

- * Any grade 12 students interested in taking first year Psychology classes through NIC this spring, please come see Dawn or Dawnn in the Careers office. We pay the tuition for the course and you get credit at Vanier and at the college. These courses are transferable to most universities and help offset the workload in your first year.
- * **FLEX DAY December 7 – No Cafeteria**
- * **Holiday Giving** - This holiday season help spread a little Christmas cheer to those living on the streets. Bring in new or gently used toques, woolen socks, gloves, and scarves (men's and women's). As well any personal hygiene products (toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, etc.). Drop boxes are located in the office, in the counselling center, and outside Room 116.
- * **Explore UVIC**
A trip to UVIC on Saturday Nov 26 for academic students to experience the “open house” event that includes: Campus tours, sample lectures, info fair, talk with experts, student panel, faculty/building tours. If you are interested in this one-day trip to UVIC (and back) for \$20, see Mr. Rebitt (room 122) for info sheet and permission form.
- * **Explore Math and Sciences at North Island College**
Are you interested in a career in math or sciences?
Join us for an info session at NIC's Comox Valley campus! Explore STEM programs and pathways, connect with faculty, learn about the application process and get your questions answered by our Future Students Team.

<https://www.nic.bc.ca/about-us/nic-news/news/math-science-info-session/>

- * Are you finding yourself a bit too chilly as this winter begins? There are tons of nice warm jackets, sweaters, tuques, scarves, gloves, socks, snow pants and even boots available for free in this school! Please ask your teacher to go see Ms. van Waterschoot in room 111 either at lunch or during C-Block. You can take your pick of the many items (and there are some nice ones!) available to keep you a little warmer!
- * The Grad Class Attire project welcomes all grade 12 students in Comox Valley Schools to have the opportunity to wear a gown or suit on graduation day without the financial burden of purchasing a brand-new outfit for their milestone event.

The Grad Class Attire project will operate out of Comox Valley Dodge at 278 North Island Highway (Old Canadian Tire building) on the following dates from 10:00am-3:00pm:

- **Saturday, November 19th**
- **Saturday, December 10th**
- **Saturday, February 11th**
- **Saturday, March 11th**

You can book a fitting appointment using the following [link](#).

- * **UVIC Info Session:** There will be an Indigenous Student Recruitment Officer coming to the Indigenous Education (133) room on Friday, November 25th over the lunch period. Learn about Indigenous Education services at UVIC, student housing, life on campus, band funding, academics, and more! Grade 11 and 12 students are welcome. Snacks will be provided. Please stop by the In Ed room if you have any questions before then.
- * **The Careers team is excited to support a Career Fair and Post-Secondary Tour on Dec 5th, 2022.** Students from all schools are invited to participate, there are 43 seats available, and seats are reserved with a \$10 deposit. Students can register in the Careers Centre. Pick-up will be at 9:00 AM in front of the school. Students will have the opportunity to tour Vancouver Island University and are encouraged to bring a lunch, water and a jacket as the tour will be inside and outside. For questions, please visit the Careers Centre or email Dawn.Anderson@sd71.bc.ca.
- * **Explore UVIC** is happening on **Saturday, November 26, 2022 from 10 am - 5:15 pm**. See what the UVic experience is like through lectures, student panels, tours, information fairs and more. For a full event description, including registration information, visit uvic.ca/explore.

MEETINGS/PRACTICES TODAY

| Group/Activity/Event | Time | Where |
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| Environment Club | Lunch | Room 146 |
| Grade 8 Boys Basketball | 3:20 pm – 5:15 pm | Gym |
| Wrestling MPR | 3:45 pm – 5:30 pm | MPR |
| Grade 9 Boys Basketball | 5:15 pm – 7:15 pm | Gym |

EXTRA CURRICULAR/CLUBS

- * **Model UN** meeting every Wednesday at lunch in room 119.
- * **Indigenous Leadership** meeting every Wednesday at lunch in the In Ed room.

- * **Book Club**
Book Club will be meeting on Tuesdays at lunch in Room 160.
 - * **Vanier Weightlifting Club**, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday after school, 3:20 pm to 5:00 pm and Tuesdays from 3:20 pm to 7:00 pm. If you want to learn Olympic Lifting, power lifting, or just want a workout, all are welcome.
 - * **Beading Club** every Thursday at lunch in room 133.
 - * **Knit Happens change of date!**
Knit Happens will now meet on Thursdays at lunch in Rm. 119.
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CAREERS

- * **VOLUNTEERS WANTED: Annual Crown Isle Christmas Walk**
Volunteers arrive for 4:45 PM to discuss the evening and tasks at hand. Please describe the date(s) you are interested in, and any station you would prefer to run. We thank you for your continued support of this fantastic event in the community. Please contact Ryan at rdonald@crownsisle.ca
The event runs on the following dates: December 2-4, 9-11 and 16-21!
 - * **North Island College TRADES Campus Tours**
Any students interested in attending a tour of North Island College in the faculty of TRADES, please come to the Careers Office (Room 130) for more information and permission forms. Tours will be held on November 29th at the Courtenay campus and December 1st at the Campbell River campus.
 - * Any student in grades 10,11 or 12 who are interested in our **District RCMP, FIRE and Marine Rescue camps** please come to the Careers office (Rm 130) to put your name on an interest list.
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- * **Indigenous Education** will be serving soup every **Tuesday at Lunch**.
 - * **NIC Student Advisor**
NIC Student Advisor A North Island College student advisor will be here for the following dates and times: **December 13th** from 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm. You can book appointments online here:
<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/GPVanierCounselling@learn71.onmicrosoft.com/bookings/>
 - * For the next few weeks **Youth Clinic Nurses** will not be coming to the high school Youth Clinics. Services for youth aged 12-24 years will continue at the Foundry.
575 10th Street 250-338-7341
Public Health Youth Clinic Nurses have been pulled by the Ministry of Health as part of a mass immunization Fall Campaign.
If there is a youth that has been accessing services of Youth Clinic Nurses they are welcome to call:
Public Health 250-331-8520 – press 0 and ask to speak to a youth clinic nurse and a nurse can help them navigate needs.
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BURSARY/SCHOLARSHIP & GRADE 12 INFO

* **Beedie Luminaries**

We are excited to begin accepting 2023 Applications for the Beedie Luminaries Scholarship Program on November 13, 2022.

We are looking for Grade 12 students in B.C. who are facing financial barriers to apply for one of 100+ scholarships available in 2023. Recipients will each receive up to \$44,000 towards their post-secondary studies at any public university, college or trade school in B.C.

In light of the labour shortage within the skilled trades sector, we would like to particularly encourage students considering a career in the trades to apply.

Do you know of a student or students who would qualify? Please let them know about Beedie Luminaries and encourage them to [APPLY!](#)

* **Cmolik Foundation Scholarships**

While a post-secondary education can be life-changing, it's a goal that's out of reach for many students. We're trying to change that. Every year, we award up to 20 scholarships, each one a maximum of \$40,000 paid over five years of study, to students graduating from BC high schools. Scholarship recipients have faced adversity but have responded with positivity and tenacity, achieving academic and social goals. With hard work and support, their post-secondary dreams can become a reality.

What's more, students who are awarded the Undergraduate Scholarship are eligible to apply for our Graduate Scholarships, one \$30,000 and two \$15,000 scholarships.

Please visit scholarship website for eligibility requirements. <https://thecmolikfoundation.com/>

Nomination deadline is January 24th, 2023. If you are interested in putting your name forward, the G.P. Vanier deadline is **January 20th 2023**. Please see Ms. Allan (Counseling office) or Mr. Kuhnert for more information on the nomination process.

* **The Terry Fox Humanitarian Award**

Valued at \$28,000 The Terry Fox Humanitarian Award is one of Canada's most established and prestigious awards.

The award is highly competitive, and we consider the most suitable candidates to be those who demonstrate the ideals of Terry Fox- true humanitarians, individuals who are compassionate and altruistic in their intention to improve the lives of others and human welfare overall.

Terry Fox Scholars are "doers" with the ability to inspire and make a positive impact on the lives of others.

In making our selection, we seriously consider the extent to which candidates have experienced and overcome what others might consider an insurmountable obstacle yet are determined and dedicated to helping others.

For more information please visit <https://terryfoxawards.ca/>

* **GRADE 12'S** - Scholarships are a great way to help cover the costs of education, but they are difficult to find. ScholarTree.ca is a website that helps students find all the scholarships they qualify for in minutes. It's super easy to get started:

1. Create an account at <https://ScholarTree.ca>
2. Fill out your information and get matched to a list of scholarships you're eligible for
3. Start applying!

* **Schulich Leader Scholarships**

Pursuing a degree in STEM? You can win a **\$120,000 Scholarship!** For more information please visit <https://schulichleaders.com/>.

Nomination deadline is January 31st, 2023. If you are interested in putting your name forward, the G.P. Vanier deadline is **January 20th, 2023**. Please see Ms. Allan (Counseling office) or Mr. Kuhnert for more information on the nomination process.

* **The Rotary Youth Exchange Scholarship Program** Leaving August 2023 to July 2024

Have you ever dreamed of...

- Traveling internationally?
- Living in another country?
- Being fluent in another language?
- Having a network of friends from around the world?

Register at www.rye5020.org