



Georges P. Vanier  
Secondary School

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026

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Courtenay  
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### NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

- \* **The School Nurse is here today, 11:30 – 12:30** in the counselling office.
- \* **It's almost Showtime! Next week the ghost with the most and the cast and crew of the musical, Beetlejuice Junior take centre stage.** Posters around the school tell you how to buy tickets or you can visit the Vanier Music page and follow the links. Get them while they last! Closing night is already sold out.
- \* **Teddies & Toddlers are looking for volunteers to assist with the new play yard** (landscaping, planting etc.) if you are interested in leaving a legacy on our new daycare space, see the careers office for more information.
- \* **Hey soccer stars! Any gals keen on kicking it in the new spring soccer training league for Vanier?** There's an information meeting happening on March 9th at lunch room 162!
- \* **Ultimate Frisbee on Wednesday:** Wear your athletic clothing to school. MANDATORY team meeting in 301 (Brogan's portable, at the front of the school). Bring your lunch and your signed forms, and collect your jersey (reversible tank-top). Game vs. Isfeld at 3:30 sharp, on the turf. Be on time: leave directly from class with your cleats to warm up. **LET'S GO!**
- \* **Upcoming basketball team meetings (for players that played this year):** Gr 8/9 boys March 3 at lunch in the weightroom. Jr & Sr Boys March 4 at lunch in the weightroom.
- \* **Alpha Gamma Delta UBC Entrance Award** - Alpha Gamma Delta is an international women's organization committed to providing opportunities for personal development, service to others and a lifelong community. Inspired by common values, Alpha Gamma Delta connects, empowers and celebrates our members to lead lives of significance that positively impact their communities. The Alpha Gamma Delta UBC Entrance Award is a **\$2,000 award** for an outstanding all-round female secondary school graduate entering the University of British Columbia (UBC) - Vancouver in September 2026. We look for students with a sense of purpose who exemplify the values that have defined Alpha Gamma Delta since our founding in 1904. **Application deadline: March 31, 2026.** See [www.agdubc.ca](http://www.agdubc.ca) for more details.
- \* **The Step Up Youth Program offers Vancouver Island youth aged 15–18 an engaging and meaningful volunteer experience in their local Island Health facilities.** Volunteers develop key life skills—such as communication, teamwork, time management, and personal responsibility—while practicing Island Health's C.A.R.E. values: Courage, Aspire, Respect, and Empathy. Youth in the program gain practical exposure to a healthcare environment and can explore a variety of health careers. Monthly online guest speakers provide insight into professions such as medicine, nursing, medical imaging, pharmacy, psychiatry, social work, and more. Their applications are open now to volunteer this spring - see the careers office for an application.
- \* **Grade 10, 11 or 12 students interested in attending NIC (North Island College) Fest** on Thursday, March 19th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, please sign up and pick up a permission form in the Counselling Office. There are only 27 spaces available. The first 27 students to return their completed permission form to the Counselling Office will be guaranteed a spot.

#### What to Expect at NIC Fest:

- Tour NIC classrooms, shops, studios, labs, and student lounges
- Info Fair- learn about programs, services and supports at NIC
- Meet faculty, support staff and current NIC students
- Complete event passport and spin the wheel to win prizes

- \* **The District 71 Robotics teams all qualified for and competed in the Vancouver Island Championships this past weekend.** Teams 7842 Fractal, Dex, and Spartans all competed in the Tier 1 Championships. Our team 7842-Fractal (Isfeld's Zane Radaweic & Laurian Blachford, Vanier's Levi Milligan) won the championship's Design Award and a Tournament Finalist Award, earning them an invitation to the World Championships in St. Louis in April. Team 7842 Wildcards (Highland's Jack Wright, Isfeld's Pavel Petrov, Vanier's Laine Martin) and 7842 H (Highland's Weston Burgess, Sean Peters, Matthew Wright, and Silas Wurts) ended up winning the Teir 2 Champions! 7842 Zidiots also made the finals. 7842 Violent (Highland's Jacob Williams, Lake Trail's Jacky Guan, Cumberland's Osha Moon) won the tournament's Sportsmanship Award. **Congratulations to all teams!**

## CLUBS / MEETINGS / PRACTICES / TRYOUTS TODAY

Group/Activity/Event	Time	Where
QSA	Lunch	Rm 111
Weightlifting	3:15 pm	Weightroom
Boys Rugby	3:20 pm	Field

## VOLUNTEER/CAREERS

- \* **LITTLUNIVERSE has two LEGO Robotics & Science Spring Break Camps happening this Spring** at Comox Community Center and are looking for one or two more leaders to join the team. See the careers office to apply.
- \* **Too Good To Be Threw is looking for volunteers** for the End of Day Reset position, see the careers office for more information.
- \* **Education Planner BC is hosting a virtual presentation for parents and students** - "Parents as Education & Career Coaches" session on May 6, 2026 see the careers office for the QR code to sign up.
- \* **Crown Isle Golf is hiring for outside services team members.** See the careers office for info.
- \* **The Kiwanis Club of Courtenay is looking for some social media volunteers,** designing graphics, setting up (cleaning) their Facebook and website assistance see the careers office for more information
- \* **The Teddies and Toddlers daycare next door will be looking for volunteers** to assist with moving and packing please reach out to the executive director, Natalie, at ed@tntls.com.
- \* **Stevenson Place Boutique Seniors Residence in Comox is looking for servers.** See the careers office for more information.
- \* **The Gem and Mineral Club is hosting their annual rock and gem show on Apr 3-5<sup>th</sup> and are looking for volunteers for various positions.** Come to the careers office for sign up information.
- \* **The Views has opened their applications for the spring youth volunteer program,** interested students can pick up an application in the careers office.
- \* **Cumberland Lake Society is looking to hire for their Summer Camp Leader positions.** See the careers office for more information.
- \* **Students interested in Digital marketing** see the careers office for an amazing marketing course available in May from Jelly Academy.

## BURSARIES / SCHOLARSHIPS

- \* **Scholarshipscanada.com is a free website with an extensive scholarship and bursary database.** You will be matched to scholarships and bursaries that you are eligible to apply for once you create an account.

- \* **ScholarTree.ca is a website that helps students find all the scholarships they qualify for within 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.
- \* **Attn: Grads! The REMAX Quest for Excellence scholarship program is now accepting essay submissions until March 6, 2026.** REMAX Canada is pleased to offer 40 scholarships of \$1,000 each to students across Canada (except for Quebec). This scholarship program offers a valuable opportunity for you to connect with your clients and potential clients who have Grade 12 students, as well as strengthen your relationships with your local high schools.  
To apply for the scholarship, eligible students are invited to write and submit an online essay with a minimum of 500 words, answering one of the following questions:
  - What does a "bright future" look like for you?
  - How have you demonstrated leadership or charity within your community to make it a better place?
  - How can we ensure fair and affordable housing for all Canadians?**Fill out this form:** <https://blog.remax.ca/forms/quest-for-excellence-form/>  
To be eligible, entrants must be a Grade 12 student attending high school in Canada in the September 2025 – June 2026 academic year.  
**Should you have any questions please email:** [questforexcellence@remax.ca](mailto:questforexcellence@remax.ca). Do not email your essay, please enter at the link provided above. One entry per person. REMAX Canada will review the essay submissions and award **40 scholarships of \$1,000 each**, to qualifying Grade 12 students.  
**Rules:** <https://blog.remax.ca/quest-official-rules/>
- \* **BCPVPA scholarship:**  
Each year, the BCPVPA awards scholarships to up to 20 students who are graduating from the BC public school system and proceeding to post-secondary education. The successful applicants will be awarded a scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 each.  
The BCPVPA offers this opportunity in the spring, to align with graduation and other scholarship application timelines. All applicants will be assessed on excellent achievement in courses taken and demonstrated leadership within the school and community.  
Applicants who are pursuing education in trades, technical, and career fields, as well as those entering universities and colleges, are encouraged to apply.
  - Up to 10 scholarships are reserved for the children of BCPVPA members.
  - Up to 8 scholarships are awarded to other graduating students.
  - Up to 2 scholarships are awarded to Indigenous students.**The deadline is March 16, 2026.** Visit: [BCPVPA Scholarship](#) to apply.
- \* **The BC Hydro Power Pioneers are recognizing youth who have excelled in community service. There are twenty \$500 awards available throughout British Columbia.**  
We're looking for students who have made outstanding contributions in their local community for a considerable amount of time or have initiated, organized or contributed significantly to a one-time project. Priority will be given to students who volunteer in their local communities.  
**WE'RE LOOKING FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE:**
  - Canadian citizens or permanent residents of B.C.,
  - Graduating from high school this coming June.**THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MUST BE INCLUDED TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS AWARD:**
  1. Completed application form
  2. 500-word essay of voluntary contributions you have made to your community,
  3. Reference letter(s) from the community organization(s) you have worked with,
  4. Reference letter from a teacher, counselor or principal at your school,
  5. Confirmation of a passing grade, photocopy of transcript is acceptable,
  6. Proof of age and citizenship or status, photocopy is acceptable.**For more information visit:** <https://www.powerpioneers.com/our-community/bc-hydro-power-pioneers-community-service-award/>
- \* **Leaders of Today Youth Award: You bring the vision; we bring the backing. This award offers \$1000 in direct funding for young people working toward something that matters to them.** Big or small. Creative or community focussed. A business, a project, a platform, or a first step toward a bigger dream. Leaders of Today is the easiest way to find scholarships, grants and program that fit to you. It is a free program, check it out! <https://www.leadersoftoday.com/awards/leaders-of-today-youth-award>

- \* **Auxiliary Society for Comox Valley Healthcare Bursary:** To be eligible for the \$5000 bursary students must be graduating from Gr 12 in the Comox Valley or currently be enrolled in a Healthcare program at NIC in the Comox Valley. You must also have volunteering hours completed at a health care facility. See the counselling office for more details and to pick up an application form. **Applications are due by May 15, 2026** and must be emailed to the Auxiliary directly.
- \* **BC Transplant Live Life. Pass it On. Scholarship:** BC Transplant will award four scholarships to **grade 10-12 students** who lead an organ donation awareness project in their school or community during the 2025/26 school year. See <https://www.transplant.bc.ca/get-involved/awareness-programs/school-programs/live-life-pass-it-on-scholarship> for more information. **Deadline May 1, 2026.**

## **OLDER NEWS**

- \* **The Grad Attire program** 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 Attire program will operate out of Comox Valley Dodge at 278 North Island Highway (Old Canadian Tire building) on the following dates:
  - o *Saturday, March 14th 10am-3:15pm*
  - o *Monday, March 16th 3:30-5-45pm*
  - o *Saturday, April 18th 10am-3:15pm*

You can book a fitting appointment using this link. [Grad Attire Bookings](#)

If you have questions or would like to donate to the program, please contact Kelley Giorgianni (kelley.giorgianni@sd71.bc.ca) or Susan Quinton (susan.quinton@sd71.bc.ca).