



Georges P. Vanier
Secondary School

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, October 13th, 2026

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NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * **Photo retakes are TODAY!**
- * **Grad Committee meeting TODAY! at lunch in room 159.**
- * **The school nurse is here TODAY! from 11:30 -12:30pm in the Counselling office.**
- * **North Island College's Health Science programs will be visiting the library on TODAY during the lunch hour to host an information session on the Health Science Diploma and the Island Pre-Health Science Advanced Diploma. Whether you're considering professional pathways like medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, or veterinary medicine, or exploring other careers in health sciences, this session will provide valuable insights into program requirements, educational pathways, benefits, and more. **Bring your questions and curiosity, this is a great opportunity to learn how NIC can support your journey into the health sciences!****
- * **TODAY during lunch, the student government candidates will be campaigning near the library. Speeches will be at lunch on Wednesday in the MPR and the voting will take place during C/D Blocks on Thursday in MPR.**
- * **There is Intramural basketball TODAY and Thursday in the gym at lunch.**
- * **There is a Sports Leadership meeting TOMORROW, Weds Oct 14 at Lunch in room 119**
- * **Any Grade 9 or 10 girls interested in playing basketball this upcoming season should attend a lunchtime meeting on Thursday, October 15, in Room 174.**
- * **Vaniers Vitalizing Vibes Club is paused this week, returning next Wednesday, October 21st after school in room 183, bring your favorite playlist! All are welcome!**
- * **Youth at the Booth Opportunity:** Elections BC is looking to hire students aged 15–19 to work as election officials during the provincial general election on October 24, 2026. Students who are interested in community service, work well with technology, and can remain neutral and impartial are encouraged to apply. Participants will receive at least \$400 for completing training and working a full day, gain valuable work experience for their resumes and post-secondary applications, and learn more about the electoral process. Applicants must be legally entitled to work in Canada, have a valid Social Insurance Number (SIN), and have parent or guardian approval. For more information or to apply, visit the **Youth at the Booth** page on the Elections BC website. <https://elections.bc.ca/employment/youth-at-the-booth/>
- * **CVHBBA is looking for volunteers for their upcoming Witches' Tea and Market on October 24, as well as their Winter Fair on November 14–15, November 28–29, and December 12–13. If you're interested in helping out and obtaining some of your volunteer hours, please visit the Careers Office for more information!**

CLUBS / MEETINGS / PRACTICES / TRYOUTS TODAY

Group/Activity/Event	Time	Where
Sr Girls Volleyball	7:00 am	Gym
Grad Committee meeting	Lunch	Rm 159

QSA	Lunch	Rm 116
Intramural Basketball	Lunch	Gym
NIC Pre-Health Sciences presentation	Lunch	Library
Weightlifting	3:15 pm	Weight room
Gr 9 Girls / Sr Boys Volleyball	3:20 pm	Gym
Jr Boys Soccer	3:30 pm	Gym
Sr Boys Soccer	3:30 pm	Turf #2
Gr 10-12 Boys Open Gym Basketball	5:30 pm	Gym

CAREERS / VOLUNTEER

* **FILBERG CAREER FAIR - Wed. Oct 21 (12:00-3:00pm)**

Any grade 10-12 students interested in attending this FREE career fair, please come and see us for a permission form in the Careers Office (room 130). Transportation is provided. **Only 17 spots available - first come first serve!**

* **📢 Important WEX12A & WEX12B Summer Work Experience Update:**

Any students completing Summer WEX12A or WEX12B: please be aware that the due date listed on your WEX package was incorrect.

Students have more time than originally posted to complete their required 100 hours.

If you have questions or would like more information about the updated timeline, please visit the Career Office.

* **Careers 11/12 Students:**

We are happy to announce that your Career Life Education 10B (Careers 11) and the Career Life Connections 12 courses (in Brightspace) are now live. An email has been sent to your school address providing you with instructions as to how to access the course.

In the next few weeks, the Careers Department will be coming in to your "B" block classes to introduce this program to you in more detail. In the interim, it would be very helpful to attempt a log in, take a tour around the course, and look at the upcoming due dates to help you plan your time. Please don't hesitate to come and see us in the Career Office (room 130) for further assistance.

* **Providence Living at The Views is looking for volunteers** – this is a great opportunity for students interested in working in health care. Please come to the Careers office for a volunteer application.

BURSARIES AND 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.

* **TERRY FOX HUMANITARIAN AWARD:** The Terry Fox Humanitarian Award Program was established in 1982 in honour of Terry Fox, one of Canada's most beloved heroes. In his lifetime, Terry captured the hearts of Canadians across the expansive country. To this day, he is widely recognized all over the world for his extraordinary sense of purpose and the ideals of courage, determination, and altruism. The Terry Fox Humanitarian Award Program was created to commemorate Terry's remarkable life and his contributions to cancer research and awareness. The maximum value of the award is \$28,000,

dispersed over four (4) years. **The 2026–2027 application cycle will open for submission as of November 1, 2026.** For more information visit: <https://terryfoxawards.ca/>

- * **Applications are now open for the Loran Awards.** 36 awards will be available to high school students entering University in the fall of 2027, with birth years between Jan 1, 2005, and Sept 1, 2011. Loran identifies students ready to embrace the challenge of leaving the world better than they found it. We look for young people with a guiding sense of purpose, the capacity to collaborate to drive change, an enthusiasm to grow by pushing their limits, and the potential to serve and lead with integrity. **Applications are open until October 15, 2026.** For more information and eligibility criteria please visit: <https://loranscholar.ca/the-program/how-to-apply/>
- * **Schulich Leader Scholarships:** Schulich Leader Scholarships are Canada's most coveted undergraduate STEM scholarships. One hundred awards are presented to entrepreneurial-minded high school graduates enrolling in a Science, Technology, Engineering or Math program at 20 partner universities across Canada. Half are valued at \$120,000 for engineering scholarships and half are valued at \$100,000 for science and math scholarships. Every high school in Canada can nominate one graduating student each year to apply for the scholarship. **For more information visit: <https://schulichleaders.com/>. An application form will be added to the website in November and those who wish to be considered for nomination can apply.**

PAST NEWS AND REMINDERS

- * **Oct 20th 9:15- 10:15 Indigenous Post-Secondary Connections.** Thinking about life after high school? Indigenous post-secondary recruiters will be visiting October 20th in the Library! VIU, SFU, RCMP, CAP U, NIC, UBC, UVIC and more!
- * **Join us for Indigenous Education Skating Day on October 30th!** We will meet in the Indigenous Education Room at 10:00 AM and return by lunch.
If you're interested in attending, please sign up in the Indigenous Education Room by October 23rd.
Don't forget to get your permission form in by October 27th!
- * **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:
 - Saturday, November 21st 10am-3:15pm
 - Saturday, January 23rd 10am-3:15pm
 - Saturday, March 6th 10am-3:15pm
 - Saturday, April 17th 10am-3:15pm**You can book a fitting appointment using this [link](#).**
- * **Intramural Basketball - At lunch in the gym on Tuesdays and Thursdays!** Gather your friends and come join in on the fun!
- * **VIU Fest 2026 is taking place on Saturday, October 24, 2026.** This event is a great opportunity for prospective students and their families to get familiar with VIU's programs and services, experience a Pop-up Classroom, and learn more about how VIU can help them reach their educational goals. For more information visit [VIU Fest 2026](#)
- * **Homework Club** is on Mon/Thurs at 3:15pm in room 192 and every lunch hour in room 3.
- * **Reminder to all grads! Check your school email often** for all grad information & upcoming meetings.
- * **Backpack Buddies food bags** – If you could use a bag of groceries to bring home to your family, please pop by the InEd room 133 to pick one up.

- * **The late bus is now running on Mondays and Thursdays!** Be at the bus loop by 4:45pm to catch either the north bus (up to Miracle Beach) or the South Bus (down to Buckley Bay).
- * **This year, the Vanier Yearbook will be sold online** directly from the publisher instead of MyEd. You can find the link to the Yearbook store on the Vanier website, or click this link: [Yearbook](#)
See Ms. D in Room 120 if you have any questions!