



September

MARK ISFELD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sept 16, 2025	TODAY’S BLOCKS: Day 2 GHEF	This Friday’s schedule: Day 2 GHEF Flex
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NEW!

For important but “previously run” current events and reminders, be sure to check the re-runs and items below:

Grade 8 Band Students - remember to hand in your instrument choice sheets by the end of school on Wednesday, tomorrow.

Any international students needing help to get into My Education BC, please come to room 403 at lunch today.

Art Club – happening today at lunch in Room 509. Everyone welcome, bring lunch, and a friend.

Bake sale – Interact club is having a bake sale today in the front foyer at lunch.

Model UN meeting in the LIBRARY today at lunch. New and returning members welcome!

Queer and Allies Club (QAC) - will be having their first meeting of the year this Thursday at lunch in Mawhinney House (portable that looks more like a house). All are welcome!!

NEW Food Safe course added - all students ages 14-18 - we will be offering a Food safe course on **Nov 5, 2025**, the cost is \$30. Please come to the Careers office to apply as these will fill up fast. This is in addition to the Oct 22 session.

Europe Trip 2026 meeting is Wednesday, at noon, in Rm 205. It is for anyone interested and students who have already registered. See Ms. Bayles or Ms. Mulrooney if you have questions.

Vanier is hosting a University Women’s Basketball Game & Skills Clinic on Sept 27th. They are hoping to get female students to come out and join the skills clinic along with watch the game. On Saturday, Sept. 27, the team will run clinics for girls:

- Ages 8–12: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Ages 13–18: 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

The cost of each clinic is \$20 per participant, which also includes free admission to the evening exhibition game.

Breakfast at the Canteen – a reminder that lunch is available online through the Munch a Lunch program (e-mail sent to families last week), you can order weekly if you choose. Now you can order a breakfast too! For \$2, you can either prepay online and your name will appear on a list, or you purchase a breakfast for \$2 with CASH ONLY in the morning. This option is only available for breakfast at this time.

A reminder for those who are ordering lunch, please put your container in the blue bins set up around the school, do not put them in the recycle bins.

All Grade 11 and 12's! Are you interested in attending or learning more about McGill University? An academic recruiter will be at Isfeld this Thursday in Student Services from 12-12:30. If you are interested, come join us to learn about McGill's programs, housing, athletics and student life! See you Thursday at lunch in Student Services.

SPORTS

Gr 10-12 Volleyball Intramurals - today is the first day for Grade 10-12 volleyball lunch time intramurals. If you haven't signed up you can still come at the beginning of lunch and we will put you on a team.

Jnr girls Volleyball tryouts: today at 7-9pm. An email about callbacks will be sent afterwards.

Jr Boys volleyball this week - practice right after school today until 5:15 and Wednesday 5-7. Friday the Gr 10's leave for the UBC tournament.

At **Gr 9 Boys volleyball** there was a phone left. See Ms. Bayles to claim it after describing what photo is showing.

Gr 9 and 10 Boys volleyball practice today at 3:15-5:15.

Swim team - there will be a brief meeting for anyone who would like to race on the swim team, this Thursday at lunch in room 400. If you cannot attend, please see Ms. Armstrong.

RE- RUNS

Lunch Time Volleyball Intramurals starts this week. We still need more grade 10-12s to sign up to make a structured league. Sign up outside the PE office.

Isfeld's annual Terry Fox run - will take place on **Thursday, October 9th**. Last year Isfeld raised an impressive \$11,900 for the Terry Fox Foundation, which was one of the top schools in BC! Funds raised will again be donated to the Terry Fox Foundation, which works to achieve Terry's vision - a world without cancer. The TA who raises the most money will be rewarded with a pizza party. Use the following link: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/100632> and donate directly to your TA. Thanks in advance for all your efforts!

Garden Club 2025 is ready to dig in! Come to Ms Parsons room, 401, at lunch on **Thursday** to get started on this Fall's garden. EVERYONE is welcome, staff and students, even if you've never been in a garden in your life. We will be doing Fall clean up, planting Fall veg, propagating strawberries, planting wildflower seeds for the summer, plus so much more! Come see what all the fun is about.

Pizza sales - there will be pizza for sale on **Wednesday** at lunch. We will have lots of BBQ chicken pizza this week! \$3.50/slice.

Grade 8 Band Students - remember to hand in your instrument choice sheets by the end of school on Wednesday.

Grade 11's: please check your e-mail for a message sent on Sept 11 about the Trades program and Dual credit opportunities. Deadlines are coming up. There will be a meeting with more information on Wednesday, Sept 17 from 9:50-10:30. This will also include an information session with counsellors.

LINC's Youth Council - are you 12-18 years old and looking for an opportunity to plan events, grow your leadership abilities, meet new people, and give back to your community? The LINC is looking for new members to join its Youth Council! We would love to see you represent your school and join us this year! For more information please email: aparry@courtenay.ca or come to our information night on **Thursday October 2** at 6:00pm at The LINC.

Jr. Girls Volleyball Tryouts:

Tuesday, September 16th: Tryout #3, 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Tuesday, September 16th: emails about callbacks sent after 9:30 PM

Wednesday, September 17th: Callbacks, 3:30 - 5:00 PM

Thursday, September 18th: Callbacks and Development Team tryouts, 5:15 - 7:00 PM

See Ms. Cooke in Portable 3 or send an email if you have questions.

Want to purchase a healthy lunch or breakfast from Isfeld?? – an e-mail was sent to all parents and guardians yesterday providing information about this new option. A copy of the e-mail has been posted outside the office next to the printed announcements. The order site will stay open until the next session is opened so you can order week by week at this time.

Robotics - there will also be an open house on **Thursday, September 18th** from 6pm to 7pm in the Highland "Botshop" for those interested in learning more before the program starts. Space is limited! Cost to participate for the season is \$250 (including out of district travel on Vancouver Island). Meetings will be Tuesdays & Thursdays after school at Highland. For more information on the program, visit the Robotics 71 website, <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/robotics71/>, or contact me at matt.sydor@sd71.bc.ca.

Isfeld Spirit wear store - is open! [Here's the link](#) to order. Isfeld hoodies, t-shirts, sweat pants and more. Various colours available. Deadline to order is **Sept 25**.

CAREER CENTRE/ WORK EXPERIENCE/VOLUNTEERING

RainTree Veterinary Hospital is hiring a kennel attendant/hospital maintenance position – here's an exciting opportunity for high school students in Gr 10-12 who may have a keen interest in veterinary medicine as a career (veterinary technician or veterinarian). The primary responsibilities would be patient comfort and hospital cleanliness. The hours are 3:30-5:30pm 3 days a week (Tues, Wed, Thurs). This is an entry level position and the hourly wage is \$17.65. If this position interests you, please send a cover letter and resume to Dr. Robin Rainford at jobs@raintreevet.ca

First Aid courses - we will be offering a First Aid course (must be 16) on **Tuesday Oct 28**, cost is \$60. Please come to the Careers office to apply as these will fill up fast.

Did you do WEX12 over the summer? A reminder to all students who did a WEX12 course over the summer: Please bring in your hours logs and other documents if you want to get your credits for the course.

Dual Credit Trades Program - any Grade 11 students interested in doing a Dual Credit Trades Programs for next year (2026/2027), you must come to the careers office and apply ASAP!

Calling all Grade 10 to 12 students interested in becoming a firefighter - this year due to the new facility being built we will not be offering a fire camp, instead we will be offering the same as we did last year which is a full year once a week program for 8 to 10 students in the district. The program will be condensed module teachings based on the NFPA 1001 level I & II, this will give students a full well-rounded program with a certificate which could lead to possible employment as a volunteer or paid on-call firefighter locally or with other jurisdictions. This program will be practical evolutions only no written exams. If you are interested in more information about this program, please see your Careers Office (across the hall from the office).

If you are a student interested in the Trades or would like to see if we are offering the **STEP** program for grades 9-11, come to the Careers Office (across from the main office) to register or get more information. This opportunity provides a chance to explore the Trades and have some hands-on experience.

Volunteer opportunity - Boys and girls Club is looking for school mentors again for the 2025-2026 school year. In-School Mentoring matches volunteer mentors with elementary school students to spend time with them during the school day. Mentors visit the school once per week for one hour during the school day. Mentors and students spend time together with their choice of activities like board games, sports, arts and crafts, reading, baking and other activities that they may enjoy together. If you are interested please come to the Careers Office to sign up.

BURSARIES/SCHOLARSHIPS

GRADS

Grade 12’s: Last call for any grade 12 students interested in taking a **Dual Credit Academic course** at North Island College or Camosun College. Courses available outside of your school schedule include, English 115, Biology 160, Practical Nursing 101(DL), Medical Terminology 155, Criminology 135, and Business 105. There are many other courses available; please see your careers office to discuss your options and attain an application form.

Grads – save the date! **Wednesday Oct 1**, 10am-11am in the MPR. The counsellors and VPs will be meeting with all Grads to go over all things Grad. Please be sure to attend this important session.

If you’re going into Trades, check out the Jake Weitz Memorial Scholarship, the deadline to apply is **March 1**. Details under the Grad Tab.