



April

MARK ISFELD ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 7, 2026

TODAY'S BLOCKS: Day 2 GHEF

This Friday's schedule: Day 1 ABCD Flex

NEW!

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

Welcome back Isfeld! **The Den is open** and we have fresh sandwiches, including a new veggie wrap! Also new to our line up are \$2 brownies, and GF brownies and cookies. Expect a heap of fresh chocolate chip cookies also.

Art club – meeting today at lunch in Room 509.

Computer Programming club – reminder that we are meeting tomorrow at lunch in Room 506. All skill levels welcome, including beginners!

Tasty Tuesday - come get your fries, poutine and chicken strips at lunch in the front foyer and support your Mountain Bike team.

Junior Jazz tomorrow at lunch.

Grade 8 Band Students - a reminder of the rehearsal at the beginning of 1st block tomorrow.

Sports Leadership – there is a meeting today at lunch in room 510.

Reminder to Senior Girls soccer players that you are dismissed from class at 11:00am today for our games in Campbell River. We will meet in the front foyer.

Model UN: CVSMUN committee members only - Short meeting in room 404 today at lunch. Other MUN members, we will see everyone next Tuesday at lunch in the library.

Waterloo Math Contest (grade 8s only) – Sign up today! Are you interested in logic and problem solving, or just math in general? Every year, the University of Waterloo organizes internationally recognized math contests. If you would like to write the contest this year or would just like more information, please sign up with Ms Welbourn in room 304 before Friday, April 10th.

<https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/gauss.html>

Grads! TODAY is the due date for your Yearbook Grad comment that will appear under your Grad picture.

SPORTS!

Boys Rugby – practice today after school.

Track & Field – practice today at Vanier turf at 3:30-5pm, and Thursday.

Jnr Girls Soccer – practice tomorrow (Wed) after school at Valleyview.

3 vs. 3 basketball intramurals starts tomorrow (Wednesday) at lunch. Please check the teams/schedule posted outside of the PE office. On Wednesday, arrive at the gym for 12 sharp and we will go over the rules/format for the league.

MTB TEAM - meeting at lunch on Wednesday in room#402 - must attend if you plan on riding with team.

RERUNS

Learning to Lead - Spring Applications now Open! Learning to Lead is a leadership opportunity open to self-identified girls in Grades 10-12. Participants gain confidence through interactive workshops and activities within a fun and supportive community of friends and mentors. Applications close **April 3rd!** Register [here](#).

Kidovate opportunity - Kidovate fosters future-ready skills, building innovativeness, creativity, confidence, resilience, and business know-how. Students can "try-on" entrepreneurship in a fun, supportive

environment, earn money, build their resume, and choose to donate part of their proceeds to a charity of their choice. Saturday, **April 18th** 10-4pm. Nanaimo North Town Centre. Find out more [here](#).

Interactive Economics field trip for Gr 12s - on Wednesday, **May 6**, students will have the opportunity to take part in a full-day interactive economics field trip to Nanaimo, hosted by the Fraser Institute. This program includes hands-on activities, group challenges, pop-culture-based simulations, and real-world problem-solving designed to make economic concepts fun, practical, and relevant—no economics background required! Please see Ms. Murcheson or Careers for a consent form.

CAREER CENTRE/WORK EXPERIENCE/VOLUNTEERING

FIRST AID CERTIFICATION – we have a new date for our next First Aid certification. **Tuesday June 2**, 2026, cost will be \$60 and you must be at least 16 years old. Come to the Careers office to register.

FOOD SAFE certificates have arrived, please come to the careers office to collect them.

If you are interested in the **Construction, Transportation or Metal Mechanical Trade Sampler programs** for next year, please come to the careers office to get an application. Interviews for seats take place in the Spring.

HEALTH EXPLORE – If you have expressed interest in the Health Explore program for **next year**, please come to the Careers office if you have not filled out an application form.

Volunteer Opportunity - Kitty Coleman is having it's Annual Park Clean Up on Sunday **April 12th** at 9:00 am. We will be raking and picking up branches. Bring Gloves, water bottle, and good shoes. Contact Sean.Pattison@sd71.bc.ca if you are interested.

Job opportunity - are you interested in the dental field? We have a potential opportunity for a student to work in a periodontist office, get trained and use this as a stepping stone into your dental career. For more information come to the careers office.

The Island District Operational Communication Centre (**RCMP/911 dispatch**) in **Courtenay** is actively recruiting! The first step in the application process is to attend a Career presentation. Our upcoming Career Presentations are happening: April 8 @ 6pm, April 27 @ 2pm. All are Virtual Zoom sessions, register [here](#). In person sessions will happen in Nanaimo on Apr 6 1-4pm @ Beban Park Social Ctr.

Applications are now open for **Island Health's Fall 2026 Step Up Youth Volunteer Program**. The Step Up Youth Program offers Vancouver Island youth aged 15–18 an engaging and meaningful volunteer experience in their local Island Health facilities. Youth in the program gain practical exposure to a healthcare environment and can explore a variety of health careers. Come to the careers office for your application, deadline to apply is **May 15**.

BURSARIES/SCHOLARSHIPS

Grads! Just because we are finished the Bursary Applications at Isfeld doesn't mean you should be! There are **TONS** of opportunities to help fund your post education goals! Be sure to be keeping an eye on the [Scholarship Calendar](#) and [Bursary Information](#) links under the **Grad tab** - and helpful websites like Scholartree.ca! Spring Break is a **GREAT** time to send out some external applications.

Are you going to post secondary to pursue **veterinary medicine and animal care** or into the **conventional medical field**? Check out the [Irene Cooper Educational Trust Bursary](#). There is no deadline to apply - the Trustees look through and select students monthly. You could be eligible for up to \$5,000 per term - \$10,000 per year!

With spring right around the corner, we wanted to share a list of scholarships (over 1,500 awards totalling over \$4,000,000) available to students over March/Spring Break.

[Click here to check out the list](#), or you can find more information under our Grad – Scholarship Deadlines Calendar.

Horatio Alger Association Scholarship – valued at \$25,000, this scholarship is offered to help students overcome financial barriers and achieve their post secondary goals. Eligible students must come from a household with income under \$80,000, demonstrate resilience in the face of adversity and show a commitment to giving back to their community. This opportunity is exclusively open to Grade 11 students. Apply by **March 31, 2026**. Apply [here](#).

GRAD

Yearbook Grad Comments, the one that goes in the Yearbook below your Grad Photo, has had their deadline extended to **Tuesday, April 7**. Up to 150 characters in length. Keep it positive! All comments are vetted by the administration. Rejected comments cannot be replaced.

Grad Survey – a link to a Grad survey has been emailed to all grade 12 students to complete. The survey provides us with key information for the Grad ceremony so all Grads are required to complete it. If you are unable to check your student email then there is also a QR code to the survey posted in the main office window. Responses are due **April 10th**.

Valedictorian Nominations – if any Grads are interested in being a valedictorian this year then you need to email Ms. Nicholls at lisa.nicholls@sd71.bc.ca to request a nomination form. Completed forms are due **April 17th**.

Prom Closet Nanaimo for 2026! We are offering gowns and formal suits through appointments at the closet. Please send this form to make an appointment promcloset.nanaimo@gmail.com. Appointments are being scheduled on Tues, Weds and Saturdays.