



PARKLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

An Innovative, Inspiring, Inclusive Learning Community



April 6 - April 10, 2026



WEXES

Moon of the Frog: March 18- April 16

IMPORTANT DATES at a glance !

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NEW: Please see important **BUS REGISTRATION INFORMATION** at the end of this newsletter.

NEW: The **Saanich International Student Program (SISP)** is actively looking for new Host Families for International students joining the Saanich School District in September, 2026.

If you are interested in becoming a young person's "Home Away from Home", complete the [Interest Form](#) and sign up to come to one of our Open Houses!

DROP-IN Open House - Information Evening

Drop in anytime between 5:30-7pm at one of the Open Houses below, for a short presentation and the opportunity to ask questions to the SISP Homestay Team.

- **Wednesday, April 8th** @ Stelly's Secondary School, drop in between 5:30-7 pm
- **Tuesday, April 14th** @ Claremont Secondary School, drop in between 5:30-7pm
- **Thursday, April 23rd** @ Parkland Secondary School, drop in between 5:30-7pm

Quick Facts:

- **Duration:** students come to Saanich for a stay of 4, 5 or 10 months
- **Schools:** students attend Claremont, Parkland or Stelly's Secondary Schools
- **Provide:** a private bedroom, three meals a day, healthy snacks, and inclusion in your family life
- **Receive:** a monthly reimbursement of **\$1,350** per student for expenses incurred, and continued support from the SISP Homestay Team

Visit studyinsaanich.ca/homestay or email homestay@saanichschools.ca to learn more.

ATHLETICS

Click [HERE](#) for the Athletics calendar.

CAREER CENTRE

NEW: Health-X Day @ Camosun College on April 29th is quickly approaching! Spend the day learning about different health care related career paths, chat with instructors and see where all the action-packed learning takes place. Visit the Career Centre for more information and to grab a permission form.

NEW: Calling all self-identifying female students! Interested in a career or in the trades or technology? Want to spend the day at Camosun participating in hands on activities to see what it's really like? The Women in Trades and Technology Exploration Day is back on April 30th. Visit the Career Centre for more information and to grab a permission form.

Volunteer Opportunities:

The Peninsula Celebration Society is looking for volunteers for the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Dominion Park! Sunday **April 12th**. 12:00-2:00pm. Stay tuned for info session details!

The Bazan Bay 5k is looking for volunteers for the event on Sunday, **April 12th**. Several different positions available! [Pop by the Career Centre](#) to get your name on the list.

The Royal Canadian Navy's Fleet Maintenance Facility Cape Breton (FMFCB) which is at the Canadian Forces Base Esquimalt is hiring students for their Federal Student Work Experience Program (FSWEP). This program is available to high school students in grades 11 & 12 who have an interest in the working in the unique trades to support repair work to the naval fleet. These civilian positions allow students to become familiar with the work related to the various trade disciplines supporting ship repair work on the west coast and provides 8 weeks of paid work experience supporting the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN). Trades include: Metal Trades (e.g., Metal Fabrication, Sheet Metal and Welding), Hull Trades (e.g., Shipwright/Joiner, Painter, Lagger/Heat & Frost and Rigger), Pipefitter, Refrigeration, Machinist, Millwright, & Electrician. Come to the Career Centre to learn more and complete an application. **Application deadline April 6, 2026.**

Jobs

Looking for a job? Check out the job posting board by the blue tables or visit:

<https://saanichschools.ca/career-education/> (FYI: website under construction. Scroll down to view jobs)

COUNSELLING

Counselling Resources - Click [here](#) for the full list of resources from previous weeks.

Beacon Community Services provides counselling for youth and families as well as younger children. Referrals can be made by contacting your school counsellor or by calling Beacon directly.

<https://beaconcs.ca/children-youth-family-support/>

Post-Secondary and Scholarships

For the latest scholarships, check the [Scholarship Listing](#) for a list of scholarships by deadline.

Crisis Lines - Anybody can call these to get support (including if you want advice on how to support).

Those listed below are all available 24/7:

Canada Crisis Helpline 988 (call or text)

Crisis Line of Vancouver Island 1-888-494-3888 (call), 250-800-3806 (text)

Kuu-uus Indigenous BC wide Crisis Line 1-800-588-8717 (1-800-KUU-US-17)

Métis Crisis Line 1-833-METIS-BC

Mental Health Support and Information Line 310-6789

Kids Help Phone 1-800-668-6868

GRAD

Grad Meat Draw Fundraiser!! Held at Brentwood Bay Brewskys Taphouse from 2:00-4:00pm on:

April 18th

May 23rd, [still need two parent volunteers](#)

Come enjoy the food, atmosphere and support the grads by participating in the meat draw! Please reach out to the front office for contact information.

IB PROGRAM

IB Students, Parents and Guardians - monthly updates for Grade 11/12 students currently in the IB program.

Click the link: [IB Program Information](#)

GENERAL REMINDERS:

Cafeteria: Menu is posted weekly on the bulletin board outside the office.

Student Absences: If your student will be absent from school for any period of time, please inform the school by leaving a message on our Absence Line (250) 655 2700 (option 1) or by sending an email to:

parkland_attendance@saanichschools.ca

Homework Club! Every Wednesday from 2:00-3:15 in Fishbowl (room 202)

NEW: BUS REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Bus transportation registration for the **2026–2027 school year** will open on **April 15 at 12:00 p.m.** All Priority 1, 2 and 3 families requiring transportation services must complete their registration online. Please note that **a separate registration is required for each student.** Information on student Priority [Student Priority Procedures](#)

Registration Deadline:

Registration will remain open until **midnight on May 31, 2026**

Late Registration:

Registrations received **on or after June 1** will be considered **late**. A late fee of \$100.00 will apply if a seat is offered.

Confirmation emails for Priority 1 students will come from the Transportation Department and will be sent out the week of **June 15**.

Payment Information:

Fees are due upon confirmation of a seat and must be paid **within the timeline** noted in your confirmation email. Payment within this timeline is required in order to retain your student's seat.

Please note that **payment must be received and a bus card is issued before a student can ride the bus.**

How to Register

1. Navigate to the **Transportation Registration** section of our website.

(Resources – Transportation) [Registration Link](#)

2. Complete and submit the **online registration form**.

Please remember that **registration must be completed each school year**. Enrollment from previous years does **not** carry over automatically.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please email the Transportation Department at:

transportation@saanichschools.ca

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- **May 14** - Capstone Grad Presentations
- **May 15** - Non-Instructional Day
- **May 18** - STAT - no school in session
- **June 12** - 2026/27 Timetables & Yearbooks are distributed in TAG
- **June 17-19 & 22** - Semester 2 Assessment Days
- **June 23** - Grad
- **June 30** - Report cards available after 5pm on Brightspace