



PARKLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

An Innovative, Inspiring, Inclusive Learning Community



March 2 - March 6, 2026

NEW: The final day to purchase yearbooks is **March 13**, 2026. Please go to your [student's online account](#) to make your payment. To see if you have already paid for a yearbook go to the **Paid** tab on your student's online account.

NEW: The 15th Annual Panther Cup Hockey Game will take place on **Friday, March 6 at 1:00pm**, featuring a friendly match between Parkland staff and students from the Parkland Hockey Academy. A free bus will leave Parkland School at 12:30pm to take students to Panorama Recreation Centre. Students will be dismissed from Panorama at 3:00pm and must arrange their own ride home from there. Students who plan to take the bus must submit [this signed permission form](#) to the office. We have extra copies available at the office.

The Saanich/Lyon Student **Exchange Program** is a direct and reciprocal 4 week student exchange between Saanich School District and Académie de Lyon, France. Current grade 9's and 10 students are eligible (next year's 10's and 11's) Please click on the link below for information about the exchange program:

[Exchange Program Information](#)

BGC South Vancouver Island. We are running our **cooking classes** once again at our Central Saanich location (1233 Clarke Rd, Brentwood Bay). This is a free program for youths ages 12-16. We hope members of the community will join us for a fun, hands-on cooking experience where they will learn to prepare delicious meals of their choosing, and take the ingredients (enough to feed a family of 4) and instructions home to share with their family! We will be running 3, three-week courses, with the first one starting February 20th, 27th and March 6th from 6:30-8:30pm. Email youthprograms@bgcsvi.org for a registration form or any questions.

Homework Club! Every Wednesday from 2:00-3:15 in Fishbowl.

Are you interested in being part of the **Parkland Sailing Academy** this Spring? This program is open to Parkland & Stelly's students. The season runs April 12 to June 14, 2026, and takes place at the Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club. Practices are twice a week - a weekday after school, and a morning or afternoon session on Sundays.

Please email your expression of interest and any questions to Ms. Caroline Hassett - chassett@saanichschools.ca

You may also register online from the Sailing Academy section on our school website. The deadline is **March 1st**.

Grad Meat Draw Fundraiser!!

Held at Brentwood Bay Brewskys Taphouse from 2:00-4:00pm on:

March 14th, [still need two parent volunteers](#)

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

Grad breakfast is on Thursday, **April 2nd**. This event is put on by the parent grad committee and they are looking for parent support. We are looking for donations of food, funding and time to make this event a success. Please reach out to the front office for contact information: kspears@saanichschools.ca

ATHLETICS

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

CAREER CENTRE

NEW:

Interested in a career in **criminal justice**? Camosun College is having an information session on Wednesday, **March 4th**, 1:30 to 4pm. Criminal Justice students will be hosting an information session where over 50 agencies in the Criminal, Community and Social Justice fields will be attending to meet with students and talk about the work they do, about the agencies and providing information for students on volunteer opportunities, practicums and employment opportunities. Camosun College Lansdowne Campus, Wilna Thomas, Room 224. For more information, email cjp@camosun.ca.

NEW:

February 28, 2026 | 4:00pm to 6:00pm
Centre of the Universe | 5071 W Saanich Road, Victoria, BC

We invite you to attend our volunteer fair and learn about volunteer opportunities at The Centre of the Universe. Bring your resume and enthusiasm, and meet staff and current volunteers from various areas of the organization such as Education Outreach, Birthday Parties, Guest Services, Gift Store, Social Media, IT and more. We are recruiting for Spring and Summer in all areas.

- ✓ **Share your love of science**
- ✓ **Build new skills & earn volunteer hours!**
- ✓ **Support education & community outreach**

Training provided, safe workplace, uniform shirts provided, inclusive and welcoming environment and an opportunity to say "*I volunteer at the Centre of the Universe*".

volunteers@centreftheuniverse.org

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.**

Interested in becoming a doctor? Learn about earning your UBC MD at UVIC! **March 4th**, 6:30-8:30pm there will be an in-person info session at UVIC, with a Zoom option available. [Click for more information and to register.](#)

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

Western Inspirational Bursary Award

One student from Parkland can be nominated! Our bursary award is not a scholarship for high academic achievement. It is a character award that aims to recognize the students in our communities who have overcome various adversities, including mental health, physical disability, discrimination, financial hardship, or family issues. Despite these challenges, these students have demonstrated kindness, determination, and courage to graduate high school and continue their education through post-secondary institutions, trade schools, online courses, or the military. The selected nominees will receive a \$750 award, upon submitting the required documentation. Students have three years to claim their funds. Email Ms. Anderson (wanderson@saanichschools.ca) ASAP if you would like to be considered for this award. Be prepared to write a statement outlining how you meet the criteria for this award and what your future plans are. Deadline is **March 6**.

UVic's entrance scholarship applications open **Feb 15**. Click [here](#) for more information.

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

GENERAL REMINDERS:

Lost and found - There are a number of *valuable* items in the office lost and found to be picked up (headphones, earbuds, glasses, bank cards, jewelry, electronics etc). If you are missing any clothing, water bottles or lunch items, please check the lost and found next to the recycling area in the foyer.

Student Parking - Just a reminder that if you are using the student parking lot that you **must** have a student parking form filled out in the office. Students are required to park in the **student lot only** (in the tennis court lot ONLY - not in the numbered staff spaces). If you have changed vehicles, please update your student form in the office.

Spirit Wear - We have Parkland hoodies (\$30), t-shirts (\$15) and socks (\$10) available for purchase in the front office (Tues - Fri). You may also send Mrs. Bennett an email to place an order: cbennett@saanichschools.ca and the fee may be added to your student account fees, or paid in person (Tues - Fri).

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

Peer tutoring - for math and science is now available on both Wednesdays and Fridays after school in Room 202.

IMPORTANT DATES at a glance !

- **Mar 6** - Course selection forms due for 2026-27
- **Mar 16-27** - Spring Break Closure
- **Mar 30** - School re-opens
- **Apr 2** - Grad breakfast 7:45am & assembly Blk 1. Grad packages distributed
- **Apr 3-6** - Easter break
- **Apr 20** - Non-Instructional Day
- **Apr 21** - Term 4 starts
- **Apr 23** - Early dismissal 2:00pm and parent / teacher conferences 5-7pm appt only
- **Apr 24** - Report cards available after 5pm on Brightspace
- **Apr 24** - Grad packages and forms due
- **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