



PARKLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

An Innovative, Inspiring, Inclusive Learning Community



April 22 - April 25, 2025

TIMELY!! (all new)

- **Parent Learning Survey** - Parkland Secondary School is participating in the 2025-26 Ministry of Education Electronic Anonymous Student Learning Survey. We are asking parents and guardians to take a few minutes and complete an online survey. We use the information from these surveys to help us select our school's goals and future directions.

To complete the survey:

- Go to the Ministry website http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm
- Scroll Down to the Parent Section
- On the Direct Access Side – Select 63 Saanich (District) and Parkland Secondary School
- Complete the 25-30 minute survey

Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete the survey. The parent input gathered in these surveys is very valuable to the school planning process. Students in grades 10, 11 and 12 have completed a similar survey at school.

- **Track and Field Volunteers** - Greater Victoria Secondary School take turns hosting the Vancouver Island Track and Field Lower Islands and Island Track Meets. This year it is Parkland's turn to organize the events that take place at UVic. Ms. McNamee is organizing the Parkland Team running the meets, and she is looking for a couple of parent volunteers who can help with the bunker or finish line cameras on the following dates:
 - Lower Islands (Cities) May 14th 8 am to 4 pm
 - Islands May 20 and 21 9 am to 5 pm
 - Please email Colleen at cmcnamee@saanichschools.ca if you are interested in helping.
- **Early Dismissal** - Thursday, April 24. Students will be dismissed at 2:00pm.
- **District Dance Showcase** - Wednesday, April 23. 9am - 12:15pm. Due to limited space, this event is for district wide participants only.
- **Parent/Teacher Interviews** - Thursday, April 24. 5pm - 7pm You can schedule Parent/Teacher Interviews via PickaTime. <https://pickatime.com/ParklandSecondary>
- **Learning Updates** - Available today, via Brightspace after 5pm.
- **Easter Break - Friday 18 - Monday 21 April.** - Classes resume on Tuesday Apr 22, 2025

Spring has arrived



GRAD

- **(new)** - **Grad Packages** - Grad packages, Valedictorian and MC Nominations and Musical Audition forms are all due by Friday, April 25th.
- **The Magic Wand Project** - The Magic Wand Project can minimize students' expenses for grad night clothing. This successful program offers students the option to borrow (for a small fee) rather than buy their grad outfits. <https://themagicwandproject.ca/>

PARKLAND COMMUNITY

ATHLETICS

- [Click here](#) for the Athletics Calendar.

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CAREER CENTRE

- **The Pacific Design Academy** - is offering a free webinar designed to support teens who are passionate about creative fields like art, gaming, fashion, and design—but are unsure how to turn that passion into a successful career. Date and Time: April 23, Wednesday, 7PM – 8PM. [Click to register.](#)
- **The Plan A Summer Youth Employment Program** - See what a career as a carpenter is like with a full-time summer job as one! The Plan A Summer Youth Employment Program provides paid work experience to students in grades 11 & 12. As a student, you can earn up to 16 credits towards your high school diploma and may be eligible for a \$1000.00 award if requirements are met. You also receive apprentice training and opportunities for advancement and support towards the cost of tuition in moving forward with your Level 1 technical training. Visit the Career Centre for more info and application. Must apply by April 30th.
- **Women in Trades and Technology** - The annual Women in Trades and Technology field trip is coming up! Join us for a day of trades & technology career exploration through fun, hands-on activities at Camosun College. Thursday May 1. Come to the Career Centre to sign up!

CAREER CENTRE - cont.

- **Quadrant Marine** - Do you have a recent high school grad in your household? Quadrant Marine is offering a Marine Service Pre-Employment Program from May 20-June 27. A subsidized program for this looking to be employed in the marine service industry! [Click for more information and to register.](#)

- **Job Opportunities:**

Check out the job board outside the Career Centre or visit the [CareerEd website](#).

Jobs are updated weekly.

COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT

- **(new) - Matters of the Mind | Caregivers and the Teen Years: How to Navigate Your Relationship, Healthy Boundaries, and Conflict**

April 29 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm PDT - Public Event - Free

The teen years can be a challenging time for both adolescents and caregivers. Are you looking for practical strategies to navigate the complexities of this developmental stage? Join BCACC's "Matters of the Mind" presentation, our free online event offered by experienced Registered Clinical Counsellors.

This session will provide valuable insights and resources to help you:

- Understand the developmental changes teens experience
- Foster a healthy and supportive relationship with your teen
- Establish and maintain healthy boundaries
- Effectively manage conflict

<https://bcacc.ca/events/caregivers-and-the-teen-years/>

- **Looking for a previous resource?** Click [here](#).

IMPORTANT DATES

- April 7 - 10 - Grad Assessment Week
- April 11 - Non-Instructional Day
- April 14 - Term 4 starts
- April 17 - Learning Updates available after 4pm
- April 18 - 21 - Easter Break
- April 22 - Classes resume
- April 23 - District Dance Showcase - 9am - 11am
- April 24 - Early Dismissal - students are dismissed at 2pm
- April 24 - Parent/Teacher Interviews 5pm - 7pm (by appointment via PickAtime, only)
- April 25 - Grad packages and forms due
- May 16 - Non-Instructional Day

IMPORTANT DATES - cont.

- May 19 - Victoria Day - Stat Holiday
- June 13 - Grad Assembly
- June 17 - Last Day of Regular Classes
- June 17 - Year end Dance Showcase
- June 18 - 23 - Assessment - Copernican Days
- June 24 - Graduation Ceremony @ UVIC
- June 25 - Course Completion Day
- July 4 - Learning Updates Shared