



# PARKLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

*An Innovative, Inspiring, Inclusive Learning Community*



## May 5 - May 9, 2025

**TIMELY!!** *(all new)*

- Red Dress Acknowledgement Walk - Monday, May 5, 2025 - 9:25 AM
- IB Assessments - May 5 - May 19, 2025

# This week at Parkland.



Parkland students welcomed the grade 8 students that will join us next year.

## GRAD

- **(new)** - **Capstone Presentations** - Thursday, May 8th. All Grads must present their Capstone to qualify for graduation. If you haven't done so already....sign up!
- **Grad Packages** - Grad packages are now overdue.
- **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

- **Tennis Club** - started Friday May 2nd - Anyone interested in playing tennis can join Mr. Burnham on the tennis courts beside the student parking lot on Fridays after school starting May 2nd (as long as the courts are dry). All ability levels are welcome! You can come and just rally the ball with friends for fun, or players who want some competition can play king of the court. We have racquets you can use, or bring your own! See Mr. Burnham in room 103 if you have questions.
- [Click here](#) for the Athletics Calendar.

### CAREER CENTRE

- **(new)** - **UVIC's Gustavson School of Business** - is offering a free Zoom-based financial literacy workshop for grade 9 to 12 students. Dr. Michael King will facilitate this interactive session, aimed at bolstering students' financial readiness for university life. The workshop promises a glimpse into Gustavson's approach to finance, delivered in an enjoyable and engaging manner. May 21 or May 22. [Click for more information and to register.](#)
- **(new)** - **Job - Coast Guard Emergency Management** - July-Augusts for 2 or 3 days a week. Rate of pay to be confirmed but roughly \$20-25/hour.  
CCG Incident Management Program:  
The Incident Management (IM) program is a pivotal component of the Canadian Coast Guard (CCG), responsible for providing horizontal leadership, coordination, and capacity building for readiness and response to all-hazard emergencies and incidents. IM plays a key role in supporting the CCG's maritime response capability by enhancing operational readiness and ensuring that the CCG can effectively respond to maritime incidents, no matter their complexity or nature. By delivering strategic leadership and continuous improvement in tools and processes, IM helps the CCG remain agile and well-prepared, ultimately ensuring the safety of lives, the protection of the environment, and the swift recovery of affected communities across Canada's waters.

See Career Center for more information!

- **Island Ignite is back!** - Interested in being a firefighter and want to test it out? July 12-14th, female students going into grades 11 and 12 are invited to join a two-day, hands-on event in Victoria. Applications are being accepted now! Visit the Career Centre for more information and to apply.
- **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)** - **Vancouver Island Counselling Centre for Immigrants and Refugees (VICCIR)** - VICCIR provides mental health counselling to immigrants and refugees living in Canada. We offer our services on a sliding fee scale, based on clients' ability to pay. We work with specially trained interpreters as required. <https://www.viccir.org/>
- **(new)** - **Creating a Substance Use Prevention Plan Webinar for Parents** - The ministry, with Dr. Hayley Watson, adolescent clinical psychologist from [Open Parachute](#), is hosting three, free virtual sessions for parents, guardians and caregivers on creating a personalized, step-by-step plan for implementing substance use prevention skills in their home. Participants are required to [register](#) in advance for one of the sessions on May 7 or May 8 from 6:00-7:30 pm PDT. Please share this information within your school community to reach parents, guardians and caregivers of all ages. Email the Mental Health and Substance Use team at [educ.mentalhealth@gov.bc.ca](mailto:educ.mentalhealth@gov.bc.ca) if you have any questions.
- **(new)** - **New Resources for Families Going Through Separation** - The Health and Justice Alliance has created a new, free resource to support family well-being during parental separation. This toolkit contains six key messages, images, social media posts and newsletter text that are linked to practical actions and tangible resources on an updated, interactive website to help parents and children navigate this stressful time and foster resilience. For more information, please visit the [FamiliesChange.ca](#) website.
- **(new)** - **Saanich Peninsula Youth Clinic** - May 29th, 2025, 5:30 - 7pm is having a drop-in style information night! #2a 2379 Bevan Ave. Sidney. Learn about the clinical services and the drop-in programming. Program coordinators at the clinic will be there ready to answer questions and give out information. All community members, parents and caregivers are welcome. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP: [afletcher@shorelinemedical.ca](mailto:afletcher@shorelinemedical.ca)
- **Looking for a previous resource?** Click [here](#).

## IMPORTANT DATES

- May 2 - Red Dress Day 2025
- May 8 - Capstone Presentation
- May 16 - Non-Instructional Day
- 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