

# The Raven's Nest



## École Royal Bay Secondary School

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## April 13 - 24, 2026

With gratitude and respect, we acknowledge that we live, learn, and work on the traditional territories of the SCÍĀNEW Nation and the Lək̓ʷəŋən peoples of Songhees and Esquimalt Nations, specifically the Teechamista village site. We also recognize that our district's schools also sit on the traditional territories of the T'Sou-ke Nation and the Nuu-chah-nulth: Paaʔçiidʔath̓ (Pacheedaht) Nation, and that some are located on the traditional territories of the MÁLEXEĒ (Malahat) Nation.



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# From the ADMIN

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Hello Students, Parents, and Caregivers,

The return from the break and the start of April has been a busy and productive time, with students engaging in classroom learning, assessments, and school events.

This is an important part of the semester for students to stay organized, attend classes regularly, and seek support when needed. We encourage families to continue checking in with students about upcoming deadlines and course expectations.

Spring is also when students often balance increasing academic demands with extracurricular commitments. Maintaining healthy routines around sleep, nutrition, and time management can make a significant difference in overall success.

## **Important upcoming dates**

*Friday, April 17 - Early Dismissal Schedule*

Block A: 9:00 – 9:31

Block B: 9:37 – 10:08

Block C: 10:14 – 10:45

Block D: 10:51 – 11:23

*Monday, April 20 - Professional Development Day, no school*

*Thursday, April 30 - Spring BBQ*

- Extended lunch, shortened class times
- Wear Raven wear and/or purple
- Bring cash for freezies - PAC selling to raise money for Grad bursaries

Free burgers, gluten-free buns and veggie burgers available for those with dietary restrictions

Thank you for your continued support of our school community. We look forward to the celebrations ahead as we move into the final months of the year!

ÉRBSS Admin Team

# ÉRBSS PAC Corner

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Meetings will be held on the  
**1st Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm**  
in the Learning Commons. All parents are welcome!

## Upcoming PAC meetings for 2025-26:

May 6, 2026

June 3, 2026

## **2025-26 PAC Executives!**

**President:** Sahye Guandique Cummings

**Vice President:** Kristen Manieri

**Treasurer:** Melissa Da Silva

**Secretary:** Tara Campbell

**SPEAC Rep:** Allison Hyatt

PAC email: [royalbaypac@gmail.com](mailto:royalbaypac@gmail.com)



*PAC's Peninsula Co-op number  
134056*





**École  
Royal Bay  
Secondary School**

Presents

**REVEAL  
&  
CONCEAL**  
Student Art Show

**Opening Gala May 7<sup>th</sup> | 6 - 8 pm**  
**Exhibition May 7<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**Thurs to Sun | 12-4pm**

**Goldfinch Arts Centre**  
**170 Goldfinch Rd, Colwood**



École Royal Bay Secondary's  
**Black Wing Theatre Company Presents**

# HADESTOWN

## TEEN EDITION

By Anaïs Mitchell

Tickets on  
sale now!

<https://www.ticketowl.io/blackwingtheatre>

Melissa Young  
Director/Choreographer

Karen Snowsell  
Music Director

Teechamitsa Theatre 3500 Ryder Hesjedal Way

**MAY 6, 7, 8**  
**7:00PM**

**MAY 9**  
**2:00PM**

**Tickets:**  
**Adults-\$18**  
**Seniors-\$15**  
**Students-\$10**



250-474-2377

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Originally produced on Broadway by Mara Isaacs, Dale Franzen, Hunter Arnold, and Tom Kirdahy. Original New York Production developed with and directed by Rachel Chavkin.

Arrangements and Orchestrations by Michael Chorney and Todd Sickafoose.

HADESTOWN: TEEN EDITION is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatrical Corp. [www.concordtheatricals.com](http://www.concordtheatricals.com)

# Arts in the Community

Questions? email [nkaludjer@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:nkaludjer@sd62.bc.ca)

Broadway Across Canada - VANCOUVER



Sat. 1 Aug. 2pm  
\$60/ticket - balcony)

Queen Elizabeth Theatre  
Hamilton St., Vancouver  
Tickets:  
School cash online  
Avail until 30 April

Students must arrive with an adult. Adult and students are responsible for their own transportation. Please email for any additional information.

Dance Victoria & GALLIM



**Boca Tuya**  
contemporary dance

12-29 Pay Your Age Tickets  
(plus fees)  
Other ticket prices available  
10-11 April 7:30pm



Ballet Victoria presents



**Alice in Wonderland**

\$20/ticket  
Fri. 15 May 7:30pm  
Sat. 16 May 2:00pm

The Royal Theatre  
Avail. until 28 April

Tickets school cash online: available for students, families, and friends. If your ticket needs exceed the limit, please contact the school to adjust the limit.



Thurs. 14 May 7:00pm

Save-on-Foods Memorial Centre

Prices based on seat location  
Promocode: SKATE2026

**Orpheus and Eurydice**



Pacific Opera Victoria  
Composer: C. Gluck

opera sung in French  
with English surtitles  
\$15/ticket

Mon. 20 April. 7:00pm  
The Royal Theatre

Email for tickets

Open to all students 14-19 years old and parent chaperones.

**NEW: Join us on the Google Classroom**  
Code: tr5iigh

**Coming up:26/27**

Broadway Vancouver:

Beauty and the Beast Nov. 2026

HAMILTON - May/June 2027 (balcony and mainfloor)

Pacific Opera Victoria:

Il Trovatori

Hansel & Gretel

The Magic Flute

Victoria On Stage

Into the Woods

Frozen

And much much more...

Film in Symphony

Home Alone

Star Wars: A New Hope

How to Train your Dragon

Ballet Victoria

TBA



# Mark your Calendars!

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## Graduation Ceremony Rehearsals

May 26th at Farquhar Theatre – University of Victoria

## Graduation Ceremony

Sunday, June 7, 2026

Farquhar Auditorium – University of Victoria

11 AM & 3 PM

## Graduation Ceremony Tickets

Tickets will go on sale through the UVIC Box Office starting Monday, April 20th.

On Monday, April 13th, students will receive an email from UVIC to their SD62 learns email addresses, explaining the procedure of how to purchase tickets.

Tickets are \$6 per guest. Grads do not need to purchase a ticket for themselves.

Due to the venue capacity there will only be a maximum of 4 tickets per graduating student.

Commencement Ceremonies are 11 and 3 pm @ Farquhar Auditorium, UVic

Extra tickets will be available on May 4th.

## Prom Consent Forms

On March 30th, Prom Consent Forms were handed out to Grad Students

Cost Per Person is \$175

Payment and Form Due no later than May 22, 2026

## Dry Grad Carnival

On March 9th Dry Grad Carnival Forms were handed out to Grad Students

Cost Per Person is \$50



# 2026 GRAD Important Dates/Deadlines

DATES	ITEM
Jan 21 - Feb 1, 2026	GRAD Photos
February 6, 2026	GRAD Ski Trip to Mt. Washington
February 12-13, 2026	GRAD Photo Retakes
February 9, 2026	GRAD Comment & Ceremony Fee Form Handed Out
February 19, 2026	GRAD Photo for Yearbook and Composite Only
February 20, 2026	GRAD Comment & Ceremony Fee Due no later than this date
February 20, 2026	Valedictorian Nominations Packages Due by Noon
February 24, 2026	Short List Announced for Valedictorian
March 4, 2026	Submit Valedictorian Videos Due by Noon
March 6, 2026	GRAD Bowling @ Langford Lanes
March 9, 2026	Dry Grad Carnival Form Handed Out
March 12, 2026	Online Voting for Valedictorian
March 13, 2026	Valedictorian Announced
March 30, 2026	Prom Consent Form Handed Out
April 23, 2026	Dry Grad Carnival Form and Payment Due no later than this date
May 23, 2025	Dry GRAD Carnival
May 22, 2026	Prom Consent Form & Payment Due no later than this date
May 26, 2026	GRAD Rehearsals @UVic
June 7, 2026	GRAD Ceremony @UVic 11 & 3 pm
June 11, 2026	FRIMM GRAD Celebration @ Royal Bay
June 19, 2026	Prom @Crystal Gardens



# Summer Learning



## SD62 Gr. 9-12 Full Credit Summer Learning July 6 - Aug 6, 2026 Monday - Friday at Belmont Secondary School

### Registration free of charge for:

- SD62 students entering grade 10-12 in Sept 2026
- current & recent grade 12 students who live within SD62
- recently graduated students (Math/Science/English only)

**ISP Students - contact ISP office for fee information**

### Benefits of Summer Learning:

- creates flexibility in your Sept-June schedule allowing more room for electives
- supports possible early graduation
- allows for focused learning in 1 or 2 subjects
- opportunity to improve course mark or GPA
- fewer people in the building creates a 'small school' environment that many students enjoy

## CLASS SCHEDULE \*

### MORNING: 9AM - 11:30AM

SCIENCE 10  
SOCIAL STUDIES 10  
WORKPLACE MATH 10  
PRE-CALCULUS MATH 11  
WORKPLACE MATH 11  
FIRST PEOPLES ENGLISH 12  
SOCIAL JUSTICE 12 (SS)

### AFTERNOON: 12PM - 2:30PM

ENGLISH 10  
FOUNDATIONS & PRE-CALCULUS 10  
FIRST PEOPLES ENGLISH 11  
LIFE SCIENCES 11  
PHYSICS 11  
BC FIRST PEOPLES 12 (SS)  
PRE-CALCULUS MATH 12

**\*All classes are offered subject to enrolment. Classes with insufficient enrolment will be cancelled and students will be offered the chance to select an alternate course.**

### REGISTRATION LINK

Register Online: <https://sd62online.web.sd62.bc.ca>

phone: 250-391-9002      email: [online@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:online@sd62.bc.ca)



# Careers Department

## WOMEN IN TRADES & TECHNOLOGY

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EXPLORE A VARIETY OF TRADES & TECHNOLOGY AREAS THROUGH FUN, HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

CARPENTRY  
ELECTRICAL  
PIPE TRADES  
SHEET METAL  
MECH ENGINEERING  
ELECTRONICS  
CIVIL ENGINEERING  
COMPUTER SCIENCE



THURS, APRIL 30 2026  
9:45AM - 1:45PM  
CAMOSUN COLLEGE  
INTERURBAN CAMPUS

SIGN UP WITH YOUR SCHOOL CAREERS TEAM!



## Calling All Young Changemakers

ARE YOU UNDER 19 AND WORKING ON PROJECTS TO REDUCE HARM FROM SUBSTANCE USE?

Your work could be recognized with Island Health's *Youth Harm Reduction Award* and \$1,000 in prize money! This award celebrates youth who educate others, reduce stigma, share knowledge and help save lives.

📅 APPLICATIONS OPEN MARCH 1, 2026



LEARN MORE:  
[islandhealth.ca/yhra](https://islandhealth.ca/yhra)



## Calling All Technology & Engineering Enthusiasts...

### TEAC 105 - EXPLORATIONS IN TECHNOLOGY



EXPLORES FOUR TECHNOLOGIES THROUGH INQUIRY, PROBLEM SOLVING & PROJECT-BASED LEARNING!

Civil Engineering    Electronics    Mechanical Engineering    Computer Science

#### WHAT WOULD YOU LEARN?

Civil Eng.	Identify various civil engineering projects and the role that civil engineering plays in each. Apply civil engineering methods and calculations to a simple design and civil engineering project
Mechanical Eng.	Demonstrate simple 3D CAD modeling skills, basic shop skills and safety techniques, and identify the design elements associated with the completion of a small mechanical engineering project
Electronics	Create a simple electronics circuit, describe simple micro-controller programming concepts, and list the elements of and build a small electronics project
Computer Sci.	Use a programming language to examine the fundamentals of software design and development



**Course Details**

**Structure:** 3 hours per week, for 12 weeks

**Start Dates:** Fall Session (Sept 19 to Dec 12, 2025)  
Winter Session (Jan 30 to May 15, 2026)

**Time:** Fridays: 3:00 – 5:50pm

**Delivery:** On Campus, Face to Face Classes

**Cost:** Students are responsible for paying the registration (EPBC) fee –\$47

**Eligibility:** Open to students in Gr 11–12 from our partnership school districts

**Prerequisites:** None



To apply or receive more information, see your high school careers team!



## DID YOU KNOW?

YOU CAN GET SCHOOL CREDITS FOR PAID OR VOLUNTEER WORK

100 HOURS OF PAID OR VOLUNTEER WORK

WORK EXPERIENCE 12A AND 12B (4 CREDITS EACH)

ELIGIBLE STUDENTS HAVE COMPLETED GRADE 10

STUDENTS MUST BE REGISTERED BEFORE LOGGING HOURS

SEE YOUR SCHOOL CAREER COMMONS TO SIGN UP

Scan to show expression of interest.



Work Experience 12A & 12B are Ministry recognized electives.

# Careers Department



## THE BC SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM



The Plan A Summer Youth Employment Program provides paid work experience to students interested in a career in Carpentry. 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. We consider skill, safety, quality, productivity, and attitude to be the keys to success in the industry. This program will be offered during July and August.

Come to the Career Commons for an application!  
**Deadline: Thursday April 30**

## YOUTH EXPLORE THE TRADES SAMPLER (TASK)

The TASK program introduces students to a range of construction and mechanical trades through hands-on learning in construction, automotive, and metal trades. A key component of TASK is Work Experience, where students develop employability skills that may lead to paid employment and/or an apprenticeship.

**TRY DIFFERENT TRADES. BUILD REAL-WORLD SKILLS.**

- Full-time, semester-long program
- Earn up to 24 credits towards graduation
- Includes entry level industry certifications

**Belmont - Automotive TASK**  
**Royal Bay - Construction TASK**  
**Edward Milne - Metal TASK**

Visit Our Website: 

For more information, please contact the Career Centre at your home school



Explore a variety of Trades & Technology areas through fun, hands-on activities.

### Career areas explored

- Carpentry
- Electrical Pipe
- Trades Sheet
- Metal
- Electronics
- Automotive
- Fine Furniture
- Culinary

**Thursday May 28th**  
**9:30 AM - 2:00 PM**  
**Camosun College, Interurban Campus**  
**4461 Interurban Rd, Victoria**

Thank you to our program supporters!

Provincial Partner



National Community Partner



National Supporting Partners



Sign up with your school career team!

## HEALTH CAREER SAMPLER DISTRICT PROGRAM

Are you ready to take the first step toward an exciting future in a health care career?

**ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR SEMESTER 2, 2027**

**PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Earn 20+ credits through hands-on learning, simulations, and real-world case studies.
- Get work experience with health care professionals and discover what it takes to succeed in this rewarding field.
- Dual Credit Course Work - Explore post-secondary pathways and certifications that give you a head start on your future.

**Why Choose this Program?** This program offers a unique blend of academic courses, hands-on experiences, and industry connections—all in one comprehensive package.

**APPLY BY APRIL 23** → **VISIT YOUR SCHOOL'S CAREER CENTRE**

<https://www.sd62.bc.ca/programs-supports/pathways-choice/career-education>

## 2026 Law Day

Step inside your courthouse to see and learn



### Family friendly activities include

- Fairytale themed Mock Trial
- Courthouse open house / tours
- “Passport to Justice” contest with prizes
- Saanich Police K-9 Unit Demonstration
- Judges’ talk
- Community service information tables

**SATURDAY, APRIL 18**  
**10:30 AM – 2:30 PM**

**Victoria Courthouse**  
**850 Burdett Ave**



# Step Up Youth

## Island Health Volunteer Program

### Now Recruiting For Fall 2026!

Are you in high school looking for a way to give back to your community?

Do you want an opportunity to gain hands on experience and learn from a wide network of guest speakers in the healthcare industry?

Island Health's Step Up Youth Program is for you!



**Application Open March 1 - May 15**

[www.islandhealth.ca/step-up-youth](http://www.islandhealth.ca/step-up-youth)

- This program is for youth 15-18 years of age (applicants must turn 15 by September 1st)
- Commitment is one 2-hour shift once a week, after school for the duration of the school year (October to April).
- Available locations:
  - Greater Victoria
  - Cowichan Valley
  - Nanaimo
  - Parksville & Qualicum
  - Port Alberni & Tofino
  - Comox Valley
  - Campbell River
  - Alert Bay, Port McNeill, Port Hardy



**island health**

[StepUpYouth@islandhealth.ca](mailto:StepUpYouth@islandhealth.ca)

## Science and Math Peer Tutoring Schedule

Below are the peer tutoring locations and times for the REST of the YEAR.

Peer tutoring will focus on help with Math and Science classes. Grade 12 class help may be limited due to students taking those course themselves. FRIMM Math and Science help may also be available.

If no peer tutors are available; sessions will be cancelled

**Monday**

**LUNCH**

In room 3143 (thats the last classroom at the end of the hall in the new wing by the turf gym window)

**Tuesday**

**LUNCH**

In room 3143 (thats the last classroom at the end of the hall in the new wing by the turf gym window)

**Wednesday**

**LUNCH**

In room 3143 (thats the last classroom at the end of the hall in the new wing by the turf gym window)

**Thursday**

**3:30 - 4:30**

Room 3127 (last room by the hot green stairwell, with the pillar with stickers on it).

\*After school is from 3:30 - 4:30. Students will need to be picked up or make their own way home promptly, as teacher supervisors have outside school commitments.

\*\*\*Students who wish to be tutored in Science and Math (English and French) subjects are welcome to attend at any time. The focus will be on offering help to those in Grade 9 and 10 with some availability for upper-level classes. Students need to be prepared and well behaved. Poor behaviour or pressuring tutors to do the work for the student may result in being asked to leave (frank conversations will happen first, of course)\*\*\*

For more information, please email Mrs. Vink:  
[svink@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:svink@sd62.bc.ca)



FREE ENTRY  
EVERYONE WELCOME

Royal Bay Secondary School

APRIL 11-12  
8:30AM START

OFFICIAL HOSTS & MORE INFO  
ISLAND HOPPERS JUMP ROPE

PROVINCIALS  
2026  
VICTORIA

# JUMP ROPE

## 2026 PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

CANADA'S **LARGEST**  
YOUTH ENTREPRENEURSHIP MARKET

Great Quality

Great Prices

**KIDOVATE**  
Youth Entrepreneurship Experience

Support these amazing micro-businesses

Victoria Bay Centre    Saturday, April 11th    10 AM - 4 PM    Over 200 young entrepreneurs  
 ✓ **FREE** admission    ✓ First hour **FREE** parking    ✓ Great Quality    ✓ Creative Gifts    ✓ Great Prices

Gustavson School of Business University of Victoria    [www.kidovate.ca](http://www.kidovate.ca)    Community Futures

# Wellness Centre Schedule

## Royal Bay Wellness Centre

Appointments call: 250-519-3580  
or drop-in

January to June 2026

<b>Monday</b>	Discovery Counselling
<b>Tuesday</b>	Physician 9:30 to 2:00pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Discovery Counselling
<b>Thursdays</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> weeks)	Public Health Nurse 9:00-12:00pm
<b>Friday</b>	Immunization Clinic January to March

Closed for Spring Break

Clients provided through 25  
years of age

### Physician Service:

- ✓ Mental health & wellness
- ✓ Illness
- ✓ Sports Injury

### Public Health Nurse Service:

- ✓ Birth Control
- ✓ STI testing & treatment (all ages)
- ✓ Sexual decision making & relationships
- ✓ Pregnancy testing & options
- ✓ Healthy lifestyle

*'Excellent care-for everyone, everywhere, every time'*

Sept 12 2025





# Important dates to Remember

April 17, 2026	Early Dismissal
April 17, 2026	Term 3 Ends
April 20, 2026	Term 4 Begins
April 21, 2026	PAC Dry GRAD Meeting @7 PM
April 20, 2026	Non Instructional Day—No School
April 20—24, 2026	GRAD Assessments
April 24, 2026	Report Cards Published
May 5, 2026	PAC Dry GRAD Meeting @7 PM
May 5—9, 2026	ERBSS Musical Theatre Shows @7 PM
May 11, 2026	Non Instruction Day—No School
May 18, 2026	Victoria Day—No School
May 23, 2026	GRAD Carnival
May 29, 2026	PAC Bake Sale (10-1 PM)
May 29, 2026	ERBSS Music Performance @7 PM
May 29, 2026	School Art Show @7 PM
June 3, 2026	Athletic Banquet
June 4, 2026	ERBSS Music Performance @6:30 PM
June 9-10, 2026	Dance Academy Year End Shows
June 8-12, 2026	GRAD Assessments
June 24, 2026	Course Completion Day
June 25, 2026	Course Completion Day
June 25, 2026	Last Day of School
June 25, 2026	Semester 2/Term 4 Ends
June 25, 2026	Report Cards Published

