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March 2020 Newsletter #7

**VISION** Learning with Purpose Striving for Excellence **Growing through Community** 

At NDSS, our mission is to inspire all to be curious, have confidence, use imagination, and persevere in their learning journey.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Being well into our second semester means students are working through increasingly challenging assignments and multiple deadlines while simultaneously navigating their social and extra curricular worlds. For many, the hardest part will be achieving some semblance of balance and this is likely one of the most important lesson of all. A common belief is that those who succeed are also unwaveringly determined, work the hardest, and persevere through life's challenges. Current research in the field of at the NAC), as well as caring and responsive adults and resiliency refutes this entirely. When it comes to resiliency - the ability to bounce back in the face of challenges or adversity – the support we get matters as much, or more, than being able to tough it out.

The Harvard Center of the Developing Child has a fantastic website with information on a variety of topics, including resiliency. Their research has determined that the single most common factor found amongst those who develop resiliency is having at least one stable and committed relationship with a supportive parent, caregiver, or other adult. Dr. Michael Ungar of the Dalhousie University Resilience Research Centre has conducted research which found that students who thrive are able to do so primarily because of their environment and their ability to access References: resources. Dr. Ungar states that resourced individuals do far better in life than rugged individuals:

"The person who relies on themself only succeeds if they have very few challenges. When the odds are stacked against us, the people who do best are those with the most supports...Resilience depends more on what we receive than what we have'

Dr. Ungar recent book on this topic explains why "selfhelp" or "pulling oneself up by the bootstraps" often fails and outlines the research behind what really works. Grit and individual motivation is only one part and usually enough to create change or navigate huge challenges. A bigger part is having a stable, supportive relationship with an adult to provide the personalized responsiveness and protection that buffers the child from developmental disruption. This allows young adults to build key capacitiessuch as the ability to plan, monitor, and regulate behavior—enabling them to respond adaptively to adversity and thrive. This combination of a supportive relationships, adaptive skill-building, and positive experiences is the foundation of resilience. This finding has implications for NDSS, especially in addressing one of our NLPS District Objectives to:

INCREASE THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO FEEL THERE ARE TWO OR MORE ADULTS AT THEIR SCHOOL WHO CARE ABOUT THEM.

#### **WELCOME TO OUR NEW STAFF**

Ms. T. Chadwick Ms. T. Green

English, Careers Records Clerk



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Stay current! NDSS WEBSITE: myndss.ca

Here at NDSS, we are committed to creating a learning environment that is supportive of all individual needs so that our students can do more than survive. We want to observe them thriving!! The science behind the development of resilience says to create external factors and opportunities that spark change, rather than rely on mystical internal fortitude. There are many supports available at NDSS – counsellors, student support teachers, tutorials, wellness supports (check out the Youth Wellness Center mentors, engaging clubs and extracurricular activities. I encourage you to access these resources and use them to your advantage. However, if there is something missing, we invite you to let us know what more is needed so that adding more student resources in support of building resiliency can be explored.

You are always welcome to drop by the office (during non--class time) to let me know how we can strengthen the services and supports needed to succeed!

Dr. Liana Appelt **Principal NDSS** 

The Center on the Developing Child: Harvard University website: https:// developingchild.harvard.edu/science/key-concepts/resilience

DalMagazine, Fall 2019. You Can't Make it Alone. Dr. Michael Ungar on the surprising truth about resilience by Dawn Morrison with files from Colleen MacDonald and Sutherland House.

Change Your World: The Science of Resilience and the True Path to Success is available from Sutherland House Press at sutherlandhousebooks.com



#### <u>ADMINISTRATION</u>

Mr. Kral:

Dr. Liana Appelt Principal, Grade 12s

Mr. Shawn Shahi Vice-Principal, Grades 8-11, A-K Ms. Ricki Bartlett Vice-Principal, Grades 8-11, L-Z

#### COUNSELLOR STUDENT ALLOCATION

A- Cristobal Ms. Al-Hajj/Mr. Giske:

> **Francophone** Crocker—Krepps

Ms.Tomiyama: Krickan—Pike Ms. Smith: Piket—Z

Ms. Pyne: **International Students** 

**Scholarships** 

#### **PARENT & STUDENT EMAILS**

0 It is vital that students and parents have an email address registered with us here at NDSS. NDSS communicates primarily via email. Do not miss important information!

#### EARLY DISMISSAL, PARENT/TEACHER CONTACT

Hello NDSS Community, we are nearing the mid-point of Semester 2, Term 1. Our Ongoing Communication of Student Learning, (OCSL) window is this week so teachers will be communicating with you to share the progress of your student. To accommodate the time needed for this communication there will be an early dismissal on Wednesday.

Wednesday, March, 4th – Early Dismissal at 1:46pm. Thursday, March 5th - 3:00-4:00pm: Teacher's will be available in their classrooms for drop-in if you have questions regarding student progress.



#### CONGRATULATIONS, COACH STEVENSON!

Football coach Nate Stevenson has been selected as the recipient of the Scholastic Coach of the Year Award, for the 17th annual BC Lions Orange Helmet Awards din-

ner. Congratulations on receiving this honorary award, thank you for your commitment and dedication to the students and the football program!

#### **FOOTBALL**

The 2020 season is soon approaching for the Islanders. The first meeting for any student in Grades 8-11 wishing to participate will be held after the Spring Break. No gear throw-arounds will

start in late April and geared practice for our Spring Camp will commence mid May. See Coach Stevenson with any questions. Roll Green!!

#### SCHOOL CLOSURE—DUE TO WEATHER

If schools are closed due to snow, or any other weatherrelated problems, announcements will be made on local radio stations (WOLF 106.9 FM, WAVE 102.3 FM, and 91.7 COAST FM) by 7 a.m. on the day of the closure.

Please do not call the radio station - tune in and listen for the announcements, which will be made on a regular basis. In addition, the district will post the information on the district's website, Twitter, Facebook and mobile app. Families may also receive a message through the School Messenger notification system via phone, email or text. Please keep in mind, however, that there may be situations where this is not always possible, for example, power outages or technical problems. The most reliable method is to listen to the local radio stations.

#### NDSS CALENDAR FOR THE 2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR

Feb. 6 (Thu) Semester 1 Report Card Available on MYEDBC Parent -Portal (Electronic Distribution) BC Family Day
Non-Instructional Day (School-based Pro-D Day) Feb. 17 (Mon) Feb. 24 (Mon) Feb. 25 (Tue) Feb. 25 (Tue)
Mar. 2-5
Mar. 2 (Mon)
Mar. 4 (Wed)
Mar. 5 (Thu)
Mar. 13 (Fri)
Mar. 30 (Mon)
April 10 (Friday)
April 14—20 \*OCSL (Grade 8-9) / Interim (10-12) Update Week Midway Term One Early Dismissal 1:46 pm Parent Teacher Contact: 3:00-4:00 pm (Classroom meetings) Last day of classes before Spring Break School re-opens after Spring Break Good Friday Easter Monday Numeracy 10 and Literacy 10 Assessments
Evaluation de Numeratie 10 (French Immersion Numeracy As April 14 Apr.14 (Tue) sessment) Evaluation de litteratie 10 (French Immersion Literacy assesment Apr. 15 (Wed) Apr. 20 (Mon) May 6 (Wed) Term 2 First Day
Report Card Available on *MYEDBC*Parent -Portal (Electronic Distribution)
Parent-Teacher Interviews/ Gr. 8/9 SLC's May 7 (Thu) Dismissal 1:46pm 3-6 pm Lg. Gymnasium Victoria Day Midway Term Two May 18 (Mon) May 20 (Wed) May 21 (Thu) May 28 (Thu) May 29 (Fri) Aboriginal Graduation, John Barsby Fine Arts Night Non-Instructional Day Jun. 3 (Wed) Grade 10-11 Awards Assemblies, in school Grade 12 Evening Awards 6:00 pm Lg. Gym Athletics Awards Recognition Jun. 4 (Thu) Jun. 19 (Fri) Jun. 22 (Mon) Last Day of Regular Classes for Grades 8-12 English 12 Prov. Exam 8:30-11:30 am \*students missing exam, or re-write
Francais Langue 12 Prov. Exam 12-3pm\*students missing exam, Jun. 23 (Tue) or re-write Comm. 12 Prov. Exam 8:30-11:30 am \*students missing exam, or Jun. 23 (Tue) re-write
Commencement Rehearsal Jun. 24 (Wed) (Nanaimo Conference Centre) NDSS Commencement 9:00am Jun. 25 (Thu) (Nanaimo Conference Year End Administrative Day
Semester 2 Report Cards Available on MYEDBC Jun. 26 (Fri) Jul. 3 (Fri) Parent -Portal (Electronic Distribution)

\*OCSL = Ongoing Communication of Student Learning

#### THE BREAKFAST PROGRAM

The Breakfast Program is in the cafeteria Mondays-Fridays from 8:00am-8:30am. Don't go to class hungry!



#### STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY

Dear Parents/Guardians

Each year, the Ministry of Education asks B.C. Schools to participate in an on-line Student Learning Survey that requires Grade 10 and Grade 12 students and their parents as well as all school staff to complete.

This year, the survey will be administered to our Grade 10 and 12 students between March 9 - March 13th at NDSS. The survey is also available for parents to complete before Friday April 3rd 2020.

To access the survey, please click on the following link:

http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\_survey/access.htm

You do not require a Logon code to access the survey and can complete the survey by Direct Access from the link above. Please enter the School District (68 Nanaimo -Ladysmith), the school (Nanaimo District Secondary) and the language preferred.

Your participation is encouraged and appreciated. Thank you.



**PAC MEETING** March 3rd

May 5th June 2nd

PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)

Stay involved! The NDSS PAC meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the NDSS Library. The next meeting will be tonight, January 7th. Parents should park in the rear of the building behind the band shell.

#### Our PAC does NOT fundraise.

Website: <a href="https://nd.schools.sd68.bc.ca/students-parents/">https://nd.schools.sd68.bc.ca/students-parents/</a> pac/Email us: ndsspacchair@gmail.com

#### **UPCOMING STUDENT COUNCIL SPIRIT DAYS**

March 13th - Denim Day

April 6th - Jersey Day (anniversary of Humboldt bus crash)

April 7th - Green Shirt Day (Organ Donation Awareness)

April 17th - Mathletes vs athletes

April 24th - Jersey Day (Wear your favourite team colours with pride) #Go Canucks!

May 6th - Gym Riot

May 22nd - Country vs. Country Club Day

**June 3**<sup>rd</sup> – Colour by grade/ rainbow day







## School Registration 2020-2021

To register your child in Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools, the online, centralized registration will begin on January 8, 2020 at 8 a.m. Pacific Standard Time. The following information will help determine if this process will apply to you.

#### Take a moment and ask yourself the following questions:

- 1. Is my child new to Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools?
- 2. Do I have a child that will be turning five years old on or before December 31, 2020 that will be entering Kindergarten? Applications must be received by June 15, 2020 to ensure a placement in your child's catchment-area school.

  3. Do I want to register my child in Late French Immersion?
- ol want to register my child in Early French Immersion? **Applications will be recei** util January **31, 2020, at which time student selection will be determined by lott rrents will be notified in early February 2020. Late French Immersion Students a** placed as space permits.
- Do I want to register my child in secondary academies?

Lottery & Soccer Try-outs/ Audition

& Lacrosse Performing Arts Jazz

Applications will be received until March 1, 2020, at which time student selection will be determined either by lottery or tryout/audition. Parents will be notified in May 2020.

Do I want to apply for a school transfer request (out-of-catchment)? **Applications are due March 31, 2020.** 

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT THE DISTRIC WEBSITE SD68.BC.CA OR BY EMAILING EREG@SD68.BC.CA





#### **FLASH FOOD MOB**

#### Every Thursday @ 1:50pm-2:10pm in Rm. 164

This service is provided by Loaves and Fishes for our youth in need to shop for groceries prior to the weekend. For new clients, they can sign up when they arrive at the room with their student card/number. Students should be excused from their classrooms after A block has started to access this service, place their groce in their lockers and return back to class.





## **THE Habitat for Humanity**®

Mid-Vancouver Island

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit organization that helps create affordable homeownership for people in the community. Habitat for Humanity Mid-Vancouver Island is looking for youth to volunteer 40 hours to the ReStore. They will be trained in a number of areas including cashier, merchandising, swamping, and receiving. This program will provide them valuable training and experience for future opportunities. Students are able to divide their volunteer hours across the different departments according to their interest.

You will receive a certificate of experience upon completion of the 40 hours

What experience will you get:

Cashier - learning to receive payments, issues receipts, refunds and credits, close cash machine at end of night

Swamping – accompany truck drivers to assist in the pickup and delivery of merchandise

Merchandising - filling shelves with stock, ensuring the space looks presentable

Warehouse receiving – receive donations, sort stock in back room before it hits shelves

#### Requirements:

Youth ages 15+

A commitment of 40 hours over 3 months Professional and positive attitude

Most information and application forms are available at www.habitatmvi.org, in the counselling area or at the NDSS main office.



#### Dear Parents/Caregivers of Students in Grade 5,

Bonjour! Have you ever wished your child were fluent in both official languages? Over half a million Canadians have achiev functional bilingualism through French Immersion. In our school district, one student in 10 is enrolled in French Immersion and will graduate ready to pursue a bilingual career or post-secondary studies in French.



Over the past 40 years, thousands of students in our district have had great success in Early French Immersion (EFI), which starts in Kindergarten or Grade 1.

If your child is entering Grade 6 in September 2020, they are eligible to enroll in Late French Immersion (LFI) and join those graduating from secondary school with bilingual Dogwood certificates. LFI is a fully funded, 2-year public education program with no additional costs.

Please discuss the LFI option with your child and with other parents. Pending sufficient enrolment, LFI will continue this September at École Quarterway Elementary School (www.quarterway.ca). Ideally there will be a class of 29 new Grade 6 students.

Please contact École Quarterway Principal, Arlette Begoum-Kake for more information about Late Immersion entry - 250 754-6845



#### **JAZZFEST MARCH 6, 2020**

Jazz Fest Tickets may also be purchased at the NDSS main office, or from NDSS band students.

Proceeds from this event go towards band programs at all three featured secondary schools.





Home Phone, Mobile Phone

## COMMUNITY SCHOOL SPRING BREAK 2020

Child to walk home Yes No

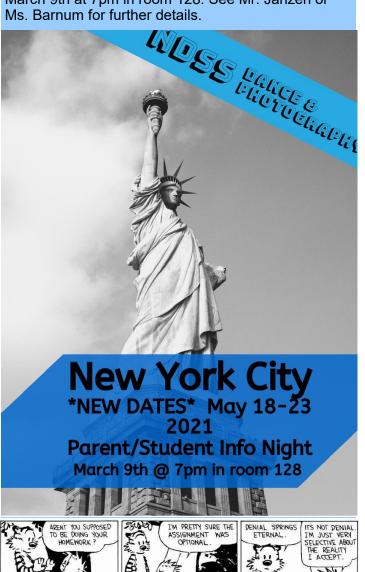
Deadline for registration is Friday, March 6, 2020

Child Name				Phone				
Address				School				
Personal Information								
Age		Allergies						
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Activity	Location	Age	Days	Time	
CASHIER'S TRAINING Basic training on cash register functions to help teens feel comfortable and confident when entering the retail industry.	John Barsby 550 – Seventh St	Grades 9 – 12	Mar 16-17	9:00-3:30	
FUN 6 FIT  Get active in the gym and on the field playing sports, games and other fun activities.	Brechin 510 Millstone Ave	Grades 3-7	Mar 16-19	9:00-11:00	
Mindfulness, self-regulation, movement and play through Hatha Yoga.	Brechin 510 Millstone Ave	Kindergarten – Grade 2	Mar 16-19	12:00-2:00	
KID'S ZUMBA CAMP  Stretch and dance learning new Zumba moves followed by crafts from around the world.	Seaview 7000 Lantzville School Rd	Grades 4-7	Mar 16-19	10:00- 12:00	
ART FUN  Exploring multi-media art (drawing, painting and clay). Get creative and enjoy the fun!	Park Avenue 395 Eight St	Kindergarten- Grade 3	Mar 17-19	1:00-3:00	

#### **NEW YORK CITY - MAY 2021**

Any Dance or Photography minded students wanting to travel to New York City in May 2021 are invited to attend a meeting with their parents on Monday, March 9th at 7pm in room 128. See Mr. Janzen or Ms. Barnum for further details.



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	BARISTA TRAINING  Available for teens to understand the growing, roasting, blending and history of coffee. Learn operations of commercial 1 group, 2 group espresso machines and the grinder. Develop skills to specialty coffee ordering, customer service and food safety.  Certificate upon completion.	John Barsby 550 – Seventh St	Grades 9-12	Mar 18	9:00-3:30	
	EMERGENCY FIRST AID WITH CPR LEVEL C & AED Teens will learn to react and improvise when dealing with time-priority, life- threatening emergencies. (initial assessment, secondary survey, airway, Alert First Aid manual and Emergency First Aid and CPR Level C Certificate at completion – valid for 3 years).	Cedar Secondary 1640 MacMillan Rd	Grades 9-12	Mar 18	8:30-4:30	
	<b>SUPER HOST</b> Teens will learn basic customer service, communication and teamwork skills.	Cedar Secondary 1640 MacMillan Rd	Grades 9-12	Mar 19	9:00-4:00	
	RED CROSS BABYSITTER'S COURSE Includes safety, basic first aid and basic childcare training.	Cedar Secondary 1640 MacMillan Rd	Grades 5-9	Mar 23	9:30-3:30	
	CASHIER'S TRAINING Basic training on cash register functions to help teens feel confident when entering the retail industry.	NDSS 355 Wakesiah Ave	Grades 9-12	Mar 23-24	9:00-3:30	
	FUN CAMP  A variety of fun activities and games (circus arts, yoga, laughter yoga and more).	North Oyster 13470 Cedar Rd	Grades 3-5	Mar 23-25	9:00-1:00	
	ART FUN  Exploring multi-media art (drawing, painting and clay). Get creative and enjoy the fun!	Rock City 3741 Departure Bay Rd	Kindergarten- Grade 3	Mar 24-25	1:00-3:00	
	<b>SUPER HOST</b> Teens will learn basic customer service, communication and teamwork skills.	NDSS 355 Wakesiah Ave	Grades 9-12	Mar 25	9:00-4:00	

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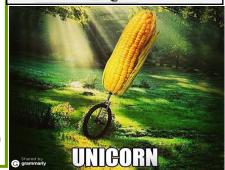
### **Math Help**

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before	Rm 225 – Mr. Tang Rm 130 – Ms. Minhas	Rm 225 – Mr. Tang Rm 217 – Ms. Lemoine	Rm 225 – Mr. Tang Rm 130 – Ms. Minhas	Rm 225 – Mr. Tang Rm 217 – Ms. Lemoine	Rm 225 – Mr. Tang Rm 217 – Ms. Lemoine
School	Rm 217 – Ms. Lemoine	Rm 239 – Mr. Schaub	Rm 217 – Ms. Lemoine Rm 215 – Mr. Begin	Rm 130 – Ms. Minhas Rm 239 – Mr. Schaub	
	Rm 215 – Mr. Begin Rm 152 – Mr. Schaub		Rm 152 - Mr. Schaub		
	(Junior math only) Rm 205 – Mr. Laforest		(Junior math only) Rm 205 – Mr. Laforest Rm 300/309 – Mr. Richardson		
Lunch	Rm 236 – Ms. Russell Rm 225 – Mr. Tang Rm 223 – Mr. Wagner	Rm 236 – Ms. Russell Rm 225 – Mr. Tang Rm 223 – Mr. Wagner	Rm 236 – Ms. Russell Rm 225 – Mr. Tang Rm 223 – Mr. Wagner	Rm 236 – Ms. Russell Rm 225 – Mr. Tang Rm 223 – Mr. Wagner	Rm 236 – Ms. Russell Rm 225 – Mr. Tang Rm 223 – Mr. Wagner
	(Junior math only) Rm 205 – Mr. Laforest Rm 300/309 – Mr. Richardson Room 231-Mr. Cizeron	(Junior math only) Rm 205 – Mr. Laforest Rm 300/309 – Mr. Richardson Room 231-Mr. Cizeron	(Junior math only) Rm 300/309 – Mr. Richardson Room 231-Mr. Cizeron	(Junior math only) Rm 205 – Mr. Laforest Rm 300/309 – Mr. Richardson Room 231-Mr. Cizeron	(Junior math only) Rm 205 – Mr. Laforest Room 231-Mr. Cizeron Rm 300/309 – Mr. Richardson
After		Rm 220 – Ms. Funk	Rm 159 – Mr. Perkins	Rm 220 – Ms. Funk	Rm 220 – Ms. Funk
School					

Remember you do not have to see your own math teacher for help Drop into any classroom above when it is open for help!

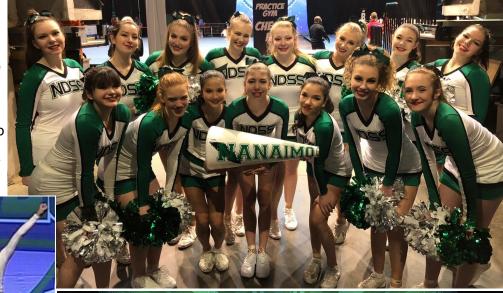
# Tense? Moody? Irregular? You must be a verb.





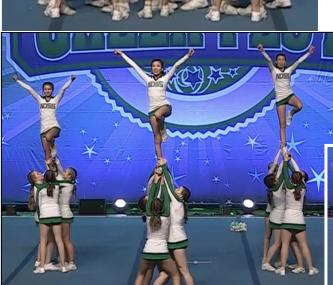
#### **CHEER TEAM**

This past month the NDSS Cheerleading team competed in their first championship of the season in Abbotsford BC on Feb 8-9th. The team competed twice over the weekend and preformed their hearts out doing their best performance yet and receiving zero deductions across the board. The girls hope to keep this streak going and are working hard to add improvements and fine tune their routine for the next competitions.













#### **VANCOUVER ISLAND UNIVERSITY CONNECTIONS**

Various activities and program information sessions are happening over the next few months. Bookmark the VIU Events page to make sure you don't miss out.



https://www.viu.ca/events/

HIGHLIGHTS: Mark your calendar ...

Science and Tech at VIU

When: Tuesday, Feb 4, 2020, 7:00PM - 8:30PM Where: Nanaimo Campus Building 210, 2nd floor Interested in studying science? Join us to explore all the programs that are offered in the Science and Technology faculty at Vancouver Island University. Come out and explore your options, meet with faculty and try hands-on activities in a variety of different science disciplines. This event is open to all learners and their families. For questions or more information, email <a href="mailto:viuconnect@viu.ca">viuconnect@viu.ca</a>

#### 2020 Dual Credit Information Session

When: Monday, February 10, 2020, 6:30PM - 7:30PM Where: Nanaimo Campus, Building 356 Room 109 Will you be in grade 12 next year? Do you want to learn more about earning University Credits while still in High School?

This unique program enables university courses to be offered to current secondary students. Students successfully completing courses will receive dual credits: elective courses towards their Dogwood Diploma, as well as university credit courses with Vancouver Island University.

## **Discovery Day** February 27, 2020 @ VIU's Nanaimo Campus

Discovery Days is VIU's largest on campus recruitment event for high school students. Discovery Day is organized to provide an opportunity for high school students (Grades 10, 11 and 12) to connect with VIU, our programs and services. Faculty and service areas host sessions to engage students in a variety of discipline specific or post-secondary oriented topics.

## **Discovery Night for Parents (Nanaimo)** March 2, 2020 at 7:00 pm

If you're a parent or guardian of a high school student considering post-secondary, or a parent of a first-year university student, this event is for you! At VIU, we recognize that when it comes to university, your child looks to you for guidance. We want to ensure you have the resources and knowledge you need at your fingertips to support and empower your child in their decisions.

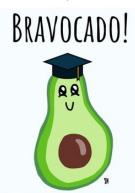
#### How to connect with VIU:

- a. General inquiries connect with a Recruitment Officer at 250.740-6672 or <a href="mailto:viu.ca">viuconnect@viu.ca</a>
- b. Visit our campus and take a tour to get a current student prospective on why VIU is for you. For registration and options: <a href="viu.ca/visit">viu.ca/visit</a>
- c. Students ready to plan for September 2020 connect with Advising at 250-740-6410 or contact Educational Advisor Jamie Wood. Email <a href="mailto:Jamie.Wood@viu.ca">Jamie.Wood@viu.ca</a>
- d. Application status and documentation questions connect with the Registration 250.740.6400 or <a href="mailto:registra-tion@viu.ca">registra-tion@viu.ca</a>

#### **ATTENTION ALL CLC 12 STUDENTS:**

If you have not presented your Capstone Project yet, please make sure you sign up for a time to do so outside of the Career Centre (Room 257) and attend a Tuesday lunch meeting. Remember that this is a mandatory graduation requirement and all grade 12 students and students expecting to graduate this year need to complete this Capstone Project. Below are the dates available for you to sign up, this is a first come first serve basis with a maximum number of 23 presenters per day.

March 5th: 3pm-4pm March 12th: 3pm-4pm April 2nd: 3pm-4pm 3pm-4pm April 9th: April 16th: 3pm-4pm 3pm-4pm April 23rd: April 30th: 3pm-4pm May 7th: 3pm-4pm May 14th: 3pm-4pm



If you have any questions or concerns, please email: graham.giske@sd68.bc.ca.

#### **VIU APPLICATION ASSISTANCE**

Jamie Wood from VIU will be at NDSS to support students with the **application process**. See below for dates and times.

Next Steps for Applicants:

**March 6th**: 9am-11pm in the counselling office.

Individual Appointment for Applicants:

April 24th: 9am-1:30 in the counselling office.

Web registration for students:

May 8th: 9am-130pm in the library.

#### **GRADE 11 DUAL CREDIT ENRICHMENT**

Steps for interested students:

#### Step One:

Go to <a href="https://www.ctc-careerpaths.ca/programs/dual-credit-enrichment/">https://www.ctc-careerpaths.ca/programs/dual-credit-enrichment/</a> and apply to CTC.

#### Step Iwo

Download and print the "Pre-Registration Package" from the same location.

#### Step Three:

Either deliver the completed package to the CTC office at 1111 Dufferin Cr, or return it to the counsellor at your school for pick up by CTC staff on March 13, 2020 by 10 am.

#### Step Four

You will be contacted by April 3rd and if accepted into the program will receive your course selection package.

#### **Step Five:**

You will have until 10:00 am on April 24th to submit your course selection package to the CTC office, or your school counsellor.

#### CHILD AND YOUTH CARE PROGRAM AT VIU

For grade 12 students interested in the Child and Youth Care (CYC) Program at Vancouver Island University (VIU):

We offer both a degree and diploma program that are ideal for people who want to work with children, youth and families in a helping role. Our graduates are employed in a range of settings such as schools, youth justice programs and mental health services. In addition, we offer a Child Protection Specialization that prepares students to work the Ministry for Child and Family Development and new this year are international opportunities in Australia and Norway.

The deadline to apply to the program is March 31, 2020, although applicants are encouraged to apply by the early consideration deadline of January 31, 2020. The program fills quickly and early applicants are given priority. Information on the program and how to apply can be found here <a href="https://programs.viu.ca/human-services/bachelor-arts-child-and-youth-care">https://programs.viu.ca/human-services/bachelor-arts-child-and-youth-care</a>.



Please take a moment to look at this short and entertaining video developed by some of our students that highlights the field of CYC and our program here at VIU. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WQwuikldrfl&feature=youtu.be">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WQwuikldrfl&feature=youtu.be</a>.

See <a href="http://www2.viu.ca/cyc/">http://www2.viu.ca/cyc/</a> for information on the Child and Youth Care Program at VIU, or email <a href="mailto:Teri.derksen@viu.ca">Teri.derksen@viu.ca</a>.

#### **ATTENTION GRADS!**

Grad gowns are now ordered on line at <a href="https://buildagrad.com/ndss">https://buildagrad.com/ndss</a> Please make sure you have your child's student number to register. Please call the school if you need to inquire about this. This service is only available until May 31st.

#### DRY GRAD 2020—June 19, 2020

Dry Grad provides graduating students with the opportunity to celebrate their success at an alcohol and drugfree event. The event is hosted at the Beban Park Complex in Nanaimo. Graduates will be entertained with many fun filled activities. The cost for this fun event is \$65. Volunteers are always in high demand, and often have as much fun as the students! Check it out!

Website: <a href="http://www.nanaimodrygrad.com/">http://www.nanaimodrygrad.com/</a>
Email us: <a href="mailto:lnfo@nanaimodrygrad.com">lnfo@nanaimodrygrad.com</a>

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/nanaimodrygrad/

#### **UNIVERSITY OF KING'S COLLEGE HALIFAX**

Attention students aged 15-17:

Humanities for Young People is a residential summer program that will give you a taste of university life, and encourage interests in literature, philosophy, history, politics and art. Students will attend morning lectures, and in the afternoon and evening sessions held on campus students will work with journalists, lawyers, activists, and writers to develop a more robust and nuanced understanding of the past and how we use it.

July 4th-12th, 2020 Students must bbe age 15-17 and can apply online. The fee \$975 includes accommodation, meals, materials, lectures, and excursions. A number of bursaries will be available for students in financial need. The deadline for applications is June 1, 2020.

http://hyp.ukings.ca

#### WorkBC Centre

Nanaimo

#### EDUCATION INFORMATION SESSION

WorkBC Centre - Nanaimo welcomes...

#### VIU - Child & Youth Care Program

Are you interested in working with children, youth and families?

Join us for a chance to learn about Vancouver Island University's

Child & Youth Care Program options and to find out if one is a good fit for you!



#### You'll learn about:

- Career opportunities within the child & youth care field
- Entrance requirements, course length and costs
- · Diploma and degree options

#### Thursday, March 5th, 2020, 1:30-2:30 pm

WorkBC Centre - Nanaimo, #101-155 Skinner St., Nanaimo, BC 250-714-0085

Available to Nanaimo WorkBC Centre clients. If you are interested in becoming registered, please visit our centre.

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This program is funded by the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia.



#### **Nanaimo Minor Softball Association**

January 28 at 7:04 PM · 🔇

NMSA is looking for up to 10 umpires for the 2020 season! If you or somebody you know are 12 years and older and would like to earn \$30 a game week night evenings and for a couple weekend tournaments April through June as your schedule allows contact our Umpire in Chief at uic@nanaimosoftball.ca for more information.

No experience necessary, current players, non-players and adults are all welcome! NMSA will cover training fees. Umpire courses begin soon!



# BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING

## IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

## Create your own path with a career in Software Engineering

Do you want a career that allows you to make an impact, and that is part of one of the fastest growing and most in demand professions in Canada? Do you want to contribute to the ever-growing need for software based solutions across a variety of industries and professions?

With a focus on skill-based learning and a commitment to small class sizes, the Software Engineering program at TRU provides a hands-on experience led by industry professionals. By blending engineering, business, computing science, project management and quality assurance, students receive a well-rounded and multi-faceted education that equips them with skills needed for the workplace.

#### EXPERIENCE HANDS ON LEARNING

The program's focus on experiential learning includes two mandatory co-op work terms in the fourth year of the program, which puts students in the position to be a paid employee before graduation and have opportunities to test-drive the wide variety of career options available in software engineering.

Career Paths in Software Engineering

Manufacturing

Entertainment

- Research
- Medicine
- Automobiles
- Banking
- Technology companies such as Google, Amazon and Facebook

#### THE TRU SOFTWARE ENGINEERING ADVANTAGE

- Offers strong foundations in principles and practice of software systems development, and related computing technologies.
- Students develop knowledge of the tools, technical skills and competencies required to design, develop, test and maintain cycles of software product.
- Emphasis on project-based learning practices that apply theoretical concepts to practical problems.
- Co-op work terms to gain relevant, paid work experience in industry.
- One-year design capstone project from real world industry to gain in-depth experiential learning.

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

#### First Year Entry

- BC Grade 12 (or equivalent).
- . BC English 12 with a minimum of 67% (or equivalent).
- Pre-Calculus 12 with a minimum of 67% (or equivalent).
- Chemistry 12 with a minimum of 67% (or equivalent).
- Physics 12 with a minimum of 67% (or equivalent).

You may also be considered for second or third year direct entry if you have completed or partially completed first or second year science, engineering or cognate department courses. Please contact Dr. Faheem Ahmed for more information and evaluation.

#### CONTACT US

Dr. Faheem Ahmed, P.Eng., Department Chair 250-371-5696 | fahmed@tru.ca

To apply for this program, visit tru.ca/admissions/apply

tru.ca/se

Teacher contact is the first step. If you have received notification that your student has missed a class / assignment, and you would like to check, please email the teacher first before calling the office.

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