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# Newsletter

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## ERASE Bullying

A confidential and anonymous, online reporting tool for students.

Online parent resources at:

[www.erasebullying.ca](http://www.erasebullying.ca)

**NOVEMBER 21, 2019**

**DOVER BAY SECONDARY**

The School Newsletter is available to students and parents to view on-line, on the Dover Bay website: [www.doverbay.ca](http://www.doverbay.ca)  
It will also be emailed to parents/guardians through MyEdBc. If you would like a paper copy, please have your child pick it up from the office.

### PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS:

'Uy' Skewyul and Hello to all and welcome to the Dover November newsletter.

We would like to introduce and welcome three new staff members to our Dover team;

Rebecca Wehner – Aboriginal Educator  
Colin Patrick – Science Teacher  
Rick Rathy – Counselor

We have just completed reporting for the first semester of the year. Report cards were published into the MyEd student and parent portals.

All students should be proud of their current accomplishments, set new goals for term two, and develop strategies to achieve those goals.

Dover Bay Athletes have also been very busy during the fall season.

Senior Girls Volleyball: won North Islands and 3rd at Island Championships- Qualify for Provincial Championships!

Senior Boys Volleyball: won North Islands and came 6th at Island Championships

Jr Girls Volleyball finished 2nd at North Islands and finished 4th at Islands

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Grade 8 Girls Volleyball finished 3rd and 5th at the district championships

Senior Boys soccer won the North Islands

Cross Country Team participated the Provincial Championships

Girls Field Hockey- played in the Island Championships

Swim Team - Tayden de Pol won Provincial Bronze in 50m Free and 100m Fly and Provincial Champion in 100m backstroke!

Thank you to each athlete for your accomplishments as individuals and as a team. Thank you to all the coaches and parents that have supported these teams.

In an effort to increase our communication we are going to be sending out a weekly email on Fridays.

It will give dates of the upcoming weeks events and time sensitive information.

Regards Carol Girard

### IMPORTANT DATES

Nov 22	UBC Advisor visit
Nov 22 – 23	Randerson Craft Fair
Nov 22 – 24	Grad Photo's
Nov 28	Career Fair @ Beban grades 11 & 12
Dec 5	Preview Night "Adams Family" 7 pm
Dec 6	Preview Night "Adams Family" 7 pm
Dec 11-14	"Adams Family" Show – 7 pm
Dec 17	PAC meeting at 6 pm in the Library
Dec 18	Band Winter Concert – 6:30 pm
Dec 20	Last day before Winter Vacation
Jan 6	First day back after Winter Vacation

**NEXT PAC MEETING - DECEMBER 17 at 6 pm in LIBRARY**

## MY ED and REPORTING UPDATE

1. Report Cards were published on November 19<sup>th</sup> and can be accessed through both the student and parent MyEd portals.

-To view report cards, visit the full site at the following link <https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspn>

-click on the pdf link to open the file (see the image below)



Published Reports			
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2. A graduation summary can be viewed by parents and students within the MyEd portal. This summary will provide a list of credits that have been completed, those that are in progress and those that are not yet completed. It is an easy way to check graduation requirements and total credits.

-To view click on the Family top tab → Transcript side tab → Graduation Summary option

If you are having trouble logging into your MyEd account please email your questions to

[DV-FamilyPortalQuestions@sd68.bc.ca](mailto:DV-FamilyPortalQuestions@sd68.bc.ca)

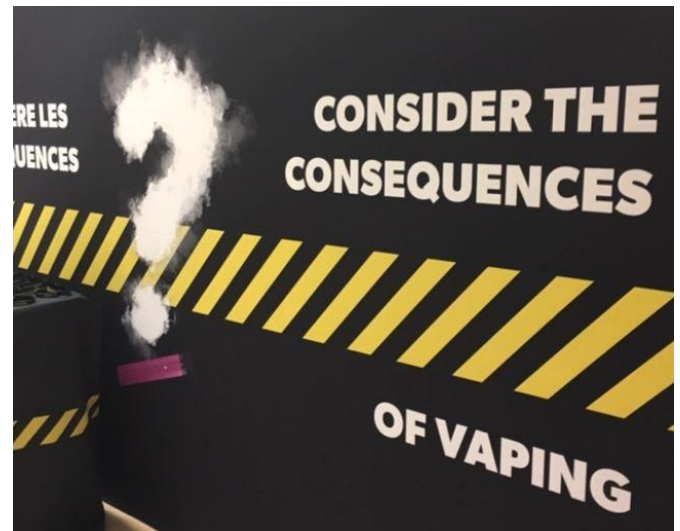
## VAPING

NLPS has been consulting with Island Health regarding the concerning amount of Vaping amongst adolescents. Island Health research indicates:

The number of youth who vape is increasing rapidly. The 2018 BC Adolescent Health Survey found that 25% of youth (grades 7-12) reported using a vape stick or pen with nicotine in the past month. The percentage of Canadian youth aged 16-19 years who had used a vape in the past month increased from 8% to 15% between 2017 and 2018. This is concerning, as there are significant concerns about the health impacts of youth vaping. For example, use of vapour products may make youth more likely to begin cigarette smoking, and nicotine can impair normal brain development and make youth susceptible

to other addictions. Further research will add to the knowledge on the short and long term health impacts of vaping. Recent reports of serious lung damage and death following the use of vapour products in the United States have brought intense attention to the risks of vaping. In British Columbia, the Provincial Health Officer has ordered that any vaping-related lung injury be promptly reported for investigation, and to date one case has been confirmed and additional probable cases may be confirmed.

Dover Bay staff has been working on educating our students around the dangers of vaping; the topic is covered in all PHE courses, we have posted information throughout the school (see poster below), and we have brought in a team from Health Canada to deliver their “Consider the Consequences” presentation to all of our Grade 9 students.



We encourage all parents and guardians to have discussions with their children regarding the concerns associated with Vaping. For more information, parents can go to the following websites:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/health/campaigns/vaping.html>

<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/health/publication/s/healthy-living/talking-teen-vaping-tip-sheet-parents.html>

## TRAFFIC & SAFETY

### Traffic Safety: Student Drop Off and Pick-Up

The Dover Bay parking lots are extremely busy before and after school, and the safety of everyone is our priority. To help with this, we ask that when students are being dropped off and picked up that the proper areas are used.

Students should be dropped off and picked up in THE MAIN PARKING LOT ONLY. To access this, enter off McGirr Road (near the McGirr Field Sport Complex) and follow the outside of the parking lot to the drop off area adjacent to the bus loop. There are then two exits: the first near the front portable, is a right turn only, and the other near the McGirr Fields is a right/left turn exit.

Please do not drive your vehicle into the entrance for the bus loop or enter the fire lane parallel to McGirr Road. We also ask that you do not park anywhere with a yellow curb.

We thank you for your help in keeping everyone safe.

## ATHLETICS

We are currently in the transition from the end of fall sports to the start of winter sports. We had a successful fall season with our Senior Girls Volleyball team finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> on Vancouver Island and advancing to provincials. Our senior boys volleyball team finished 6<sup>th</sup> on the Island and our Junior Girls Volleyball team hosted a very successful Island Championship tournament and finished 4<sup>th</sup>. Our swimming team competed at provincials with Tayden De Pol collecting 2 provincial bronze medals and won provincial gold in 100m backstroke. Thank you to all of our coaches and athletes for making the fall season such a success.

## CAREER CORNER

### **Nov. 22, UBC**

*12-1 pm (Block A/B), Room C104*

### **Week of Nov. 25-29 – CLC – LUNCH - Help Sessions**

ALL Career Life Education:

*Nov. 26 – Lunch – Career Corner - Boyko*

*Nov. 26 – Afterschool – Career Corner - Boyko*

*Nov. 27 – Lunch – E209 - Webb*

*Nov. 29 – Lunch – E209 - Webb*

### **Nov. 25 - Sean Aiken - 52 Weeks/52 Jobs**

*Block C - Grade 8, 9, 10*

*Block D – Grade 11, 12*

### **Nov. 25 – Education and Career Fair – Field Trip Forms DUE**

### **Nov. 28 - Education and Career Fair – Field Trips**

*Beban Social Centre - Select Grade 10-12*

*8:50-11:25 – CLE classes + some grade 11/12 (2 buses)*

*12:15-3:00 – CLE classes + some grade 11/12 (2 buses)*

### **Dec. 2 – Career Life Connections (CLC)**

*ALL grade 11 & 12*

*Assignment due: Preparing for Graduation*

### **Jan. 22 - ALL grade 9**

*8:30 am – 1:20 pm*

*On Wednesday, January 22, grade 9's will participate in a full day, Career Education Event. Participation is mandatory. There will be guest speakers, educational activities, and assignments. With an excused absence, students unable to attend must complete an alternate paper-based assignment; this assignment will be provided by the career teacher.*

## COUNSELLING

The last week of November is Substance Use Awareness week, this is to raise awareness around stigma and education surrounding substance use and the resources available to youth and families. Discovery will be coming into Dover on Wednesday, November 27 from 11:25 – 12:00 to give students an opportunity to come meet some of the counsellors and to have a chance to ask anything they've been curious about regarding substance use in a judgement free environment. Come hang out for a bit or just pop by and say hi.

**Report Cards:** You can access report cards through MyEd BC's Parent portal. Please contact the front office, if you are not able to log in. Paper reports are no longer sent home.

**Maintaining Communication** with classroom Teachers supports student success.

**Post-Secondary Applications:** Grade 12 students who are planning to attend a post-secondary program next

year should begin the application process now. Some university programs have an application deadline as early as the end of January. Others base registration dates on when students apply. Check out the university websites for the most up-to-date admission information!

**Education and Career Fair:** The Education and Career Fair is at the Beban Park Social Centre, Thursday November 28, 9:00-2:00 pm. More information about this event and the list of exhibitors and features can be found on the Education and Career Fair website: <http://www.educationcareerfairs.com>.

**Career Technical Centre:** The coordinator from Nanaimo-Ladysmith's Career Technical Centre (CTC) is scheduled to be here every Thursday from 9:15 to 11:30. If you have any questions regarding attending a CTC program such as training in trades, dual-credit enrichment, apprenticeship, please come to the counselling area to sign up for an appointment to sit down and meet Rob Gowan-Smith. Check out the CTC website at: [www.ctc-careerpaths.ca](http://www.ctc-careerpaths.ca)

**Dover Bay Counselling Website:** Check out our new Dover Bay Counselling website for some frequently accessed resources. It can be found on [Doverbay.ca](http://Doverbay.ca), under "Departments", and then "Counselling".

### Encounters with Canada

Until further notice, BC students can apply for any week at Encounters for the remainder of the school year. Reminder that you can apply directly through the web site now!

There is also a **\$100 discount** on the following three weeks below! Promos are limited so the faster we receive their signed applications, the better their chances are to grab one. The promos last until January 17, 2020 or once the promo fund is empty. First come first served.

1. Tech & Agri-Food (Feb 9-15, 2020)
2. Global Affairs (Feb 16-22, 2020)
3. Business & Entrepreneurship (Mar 1-7, 2020)

## VIU CONNECTIONS

### 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.....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 [viuconnect@viu.ca](mailto:viuconnect@viu.ca)
- b. Visit our campus and take a tour to get a current student perspective on why VIU is for you. For registration and options: [viu.ca/visit](http://viu.ca/visit)
- c. Students ready to plan for September 2020 connect with Advising at 250-740-6410 or contact Educational Advisor [jennifer.merner@viu.ca](mailto:jennifer.merner@viu.ca)
- d. Application status and documentation questions connect with the Registration 250.740.6400 or [registration@viu.ca](mailto:registration@viu.ca)

## Implementation for Students During Transition Provincial Graduation Assessments

If I'm currently in Grade 9...	
• In 2019/20 (Grade 9)	No provincial assessment
• In 2020/21 (Grade 10)	✓ Grade 10 Graduation Numeracy Assessment ✓ Grade 10 Graduation Literacy Assessment
• In 2021/22 (Grade 11)	No provincial assessment
• In 2022/23 (Grade 12)	✓ Grade 12 Graduation Literacy Assessment
If I'm currently in Grade 10...	
• In 2019/20 (Grade 10)	✓ Grade 10 Graduation Numeracy Assessment ✓ Grade 10 Graduation Literacy Assessment
• In 2020/21 (Grade 11)	No provincial assessment
• In 2021/22 (Grade 12)	✓ Grade 12 Graduation Literacy Assessment
If I'm currently in Grade 11...	
• In 2019/20 (Grade 11)	No requirement to complete the Grade 10 Graduation Literacy Assessment ✓ Grade 10 Graduation Numeracy Assessment is required (if not already written). <sup>1</sup>
• In 2020/21 (Grade 12)	✓ Grade 12 Graduation Literacy Assessment
If I'm currently in Grade 12...	
• In 2019/20 (Grade 12)	No requirement to complete the Grade 10 Graduation Literacy Assessment No Grade 12 Language Arts provincial exam <sup>2</sup> No Grade 12 Graduation Literacy Assessment ✓ Grade 10 Graduation Numeracy Assessment is required (if not already written). <sup>1</sup>

Update: September 2019

# BC's 2018 Graduation Program Parent Guide



## Path to Graduation

The future our children must succeed in is different from the one we envisioned 10 or 15 years ago.

B.C.'s New Curriculum and reporting procedures are based on a competency-driven model of "Know-Do-Understand" that will support students in their pursuit of success in life after high school.

## What is Different?

The graduation years are still spanning grades 10, 11 and 12, but the path to graduation is slightly different in the new 2018 Grad Program. To graduate, students will:

- ▶ Write three new Provincial Assessments (Numeracy 10 and Literacy 10 & 12)
- ▶ Complete 80 credits including Career Life Education and Career Life Connections
- ▶ Complete a Capstone Project – students showcase an area they are passionate about and would consider pursuing after graduation.

## Why Change?

The Ministry of Education consulted with educators, parents and students throughout the province about the current state of curriculum, assessments and the graduation program. The overwhelming response was a desire and need for updates to the education system to better prepare students for opportunities and challenges in today's world.

VISIT US ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Instagram icons | [sd68.bc.ca](http://sd68.bc.ca)

## 2018 Graduation Program

### Requirements:

#### 80 credits including:

- ▶ Two Career Education Courses (8 credits)
- ▶ Physical and health Education 10 (4)
- ▶ Science 10 (4) and Science 11 or 12 (4)
- ▶ Social Studies 10 (4) and SS 11 or 12 (4)
- ▶ A Math 10 (4) and a Math 11 or 12 (4)
- ▶ A Language Arts 10, 11 AND 12 (12)
- ▶ An Arts Ed 10, 11 OR 12 and/or and Applied Design, Skills and Technologies 10, 11 or 12 (4)
- ▶ 28 elective credits (16 at grade 12 level)

#### 3 Provincial Assessments:

- ▶ Numeracy 10 Assessment
- ▶ Literacy 10 & 12 Assessment

The updated graduation program will help students to move forward on their chosen path - college, university, trades training, or the workforce.



## 1. Numeracy Assessment

The Grade 10 Graduation Numeracy Assessment (GNA 10) is a provincial assessment that assesses student proficiency in numeracy. It is a graduation requirement that students will take in Grade 10. The assessment will measure the application of numeracy across the curriculum. Students will be assessed on a proficiency scale which will appear on their transcript. Sample exam can be found at [www.curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/numeracy-assessment](http://www.curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/numeracy-assessment)



## 2. Literacy Assessment

The Grade 10 Literacy Assessment (GLA 10) assesses students' ability to use critical thinking and analysis to make meaning from diverse texts. It is a graduation requirement that students will take in Grade 10. Students will be assessed on a proficiency scale that will appear on their transcript. A sample literacy assessment can be found at [www.curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/literacy-assessment/gla-10](http://www.curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/literacy-assessment/gla-10)

## How does this affect my child?

The following chart should help when planning for your high school child's graduation. Please keep in mind that unique situations will occur and student should always consult a counselor when planning for graduation.

2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	Grad Requirements
Grade 9 • New curriculum	Grade 10 • New curriculum • Numeracy & Literacy 10 Assessments • Career Life Education	Grade 11 • New curriculum	• New curriculum • Numeracy 10 and Literacy 10 & 12 Assessments • Career Life Education and Career Life Connections
Grade 10 • New curriculum • Numeracy 10 Assessment • Literacy 10 Assessment • Career Life Education	Grade 11 • New curriculum	Grade 12 • New curriculum • Literacy 12 Assessment • Career Life Connections	• New curriculum • Numeracy 10 Assessment • Literacy 10 & 12 Assessment • Career Life Education and Career Life Connections
2020 and 2021 graduates:			• Combination curriculum
Grade 11 • New curriculum • Numeracy 10 Assessment • Career Life Education	Grade 12 • New curriculum • Literacy 12 Assessment • Career Life Connections	_____	• Numeracy 10 Assessment • Literacy 12 Assessment • Career Life Education and Career Life Connections
Grade 12 • New curriculum • Career Life Connections	_____	_____	• Combination curriculum • Numeracy 10 Assessment • Planning 10 and Career Life Connections

## Websites

- Ministry of Education [Pathway to Graduation](#)
- BC Ministry of Education [Graduation Assessment Schedule](#)
- Ministry of Education [Graduation Requirements 2018 Graduation Requirements](#)



## Additional Resources

- [Handbook of Procedures for the Grad Program](#)
- [Provincial Assessments](#)
- [Numeracy Assessment info for parents](#)
- [Literacy Assessment information](#)
- NLPS [Nanaimo Ladysmith Schools Foundation – Scholarships and Awards](#)



## MEDICAL HEALTH OFFICERS

November 4, 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians:

### Re: Requirements Under BC's New Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation

BC's new Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation came into effect on July 1, 2019. It supports the gathering of immunization records by local Public Health units. The regulation applies to all students in all schools within the Province's jurisdiction, including those who are home-schooled. It does not apply to children attending schools in First Nations communities.

In the coming months our staff will check the immunization records we have on file for school age children. They will identify children whose records are missing or incomplete. Families of these children may be contacted. They will be asked to provide us with the immunization information required under the regulation. We will also let families know where children can receive immunizations.

Health authority public health units already have complete immunization information on file for most children. For this reason, most families will not be contacted or need to take any further action. If you are contacted, it may only mean that we need to update some information in our files. It may not mean that your child is missing immunizations.

You can use the online [Vaccination Status Indicator tool](http://www.immunizebc.ca/vaccination-status-indicator) ([www.immunizebc.ca/vaccination-status-indicator](http://www.immunizebc.ca/vaccination-status-indicator)) to check if your child's immunization record is missing or incomplete. It tells you if your child's immunization record is on file with public health but does not provide any details about their immunization status or history.

Collecting immunization information allows us to connect with families about the importance of disease prevention. It also helps us respond quickly to outbreaks and helps everyone get back to school as soon as possible.

For more information, please visit <https://immunizebc.ca/vaccination-status-reporting-regulation>.

Thank you for helping to keep BC children and communities healthy.

Sincerely,

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