

Chemainus Secondary School

Career Centre Newsletter – November 2017

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The Career Centre is located in the counselling office at Chemainus Secondary. We are open from 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM. Mr. Garry Culbertson is our Career Facilitator and Ms. Shauna Mann is our Career Centre Assistant.



At the Career Centre, there is a wealth of information available for all students including information regarding:

- Dual Credit Trade Opportunities - Vancouver Island University & Camosun College
- Apprenticeship Opportunities
- Work Experience Opportunities
- Certificate Training (Food Safe, etc.)
- Job Search, Job Board, Job Market Trends and Volunteer Opportunities
- National Scholarship Opportunities
- Career Exploration
- Grad Transition Program



PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

The next Youth Health Clinics are on November 20, December 4 and 11. A nurse from VIHA is onsite from 10:00-12:00. Appointments can be booked in the counselling office.

FOOD SAFE COURSE

Are you interested in taking Food Safe? Food Safe is a requirement for employment to work in almost all food service facilities and it is invaluable on a Resume! Cost is approximately \$50. This is a full day course which is scheduled on a weekday during school hours. We need approximately 25 students to run the course so if you are interested, please come and sign up at the Career Centre. We are planning for January and/or February 2018. Valid for 5 years





Post-Secondary Institution visit

On Tuesday, November 22nd, representatives from Post-Secondary Institutions around BC are coming to Chemainus Secondary from 1:00 -3:00 pm. Grade 11 and 12 students will be visiting the mini-fair style information booths with their classes that afternoon. The following institutions attending this year are: UBC, NWCC, Quest, Camosun, SFU, VIU, UVIC and CAF-RMC.



Volunteer Opportunity

Christmas is quickly approaching and sadly for many Canadians, the necessities of life needed for basic human dignity are out of reach. Make a difference this Christmas and give the gift of your time and volunteer with your local Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Campaign. Give your time, receive some volunteer experience and hours and receive the gift of joy in your heart! What a great way to get into the Christmas spirit! More information will be available in the December newsletter. For more information, please see Ms. Mann in the Counselling/Careers Office.

P.A.R.T.Y **(Prevent Alcohol and Risk-related Trauma in Youth)**

The P.A.R.T.Y program is an injury prevention program aimed at teens, to help educate about consequences of poor decision-making in relation to risk-taking behaviours such as: drinking and driving, lack of seat belt use, not wearing a bike helmet, etc. This program will be presented by staff at Cowichan District Hospital on November 28, 2017 (from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm). Students will be bussed to and from Cowichan District Hospital.

Work Experience

If you have a job, let's make it count! Work Experience is a course that allows you to earn school credits while gaining valuable experience in the workplace. You will earn 4 credits for 90 hours of work! If you are interested in registering, or would like more information please make an appointment with Mr. Culbertson in the Career Centre.

Job Board

Looking for a job, make sure to check out the Job Board located inside the Careers office.

Dual Credit Programs ACE-IT Trades Programs

ACE IT

The Accelerated Credit Enrolment in Industry Training (ACE IT) program is the in-class component of a high school apprenticeship. ACE IT students are Youth Apprentices registered with the Industry Training Authority (ITA).

Camosun College and Vancouver Island University in partnership with School District 79, are offering the following ACE-IT Trades programs:

- Automotive
- Administrative Assistant
- Carpentry
- Culinary Arts
- Early Childhood Education
- Electrical
- Golf Course Management
- Hairdressing
- Heating and Cooling
- Heavy Duty Mechanic
- Health Care Assistant
- Information Technology
- Introduction to Trades
- Joinery/Cabinet making
- Sheet Metal/Metal Fabrication
- Plumbing and Piping
- Trades Apprenticeship
- Exploring Technology
- Welder Level C
- Welder Level C/Pipefitter

These programs are open to Grade 11 and 12 students who can receive their dual credits, meaning University and Secondary School credits on their transcript. There is no tuition cost for these programs, however, you will be responsible to purchase any necessary supplies and books. Students are able to complete Level One or Foundation Technical Training before graduation. Please visit the Career Centre to make an appointment with Mr. Culbertson or email at gculbert@sd79.bc.ca or speak to Ms. Mann for more information.

WORK EXPERIENCE (WEX) CERTIFICATE CREDITS

Do you have Food Safe, CPR, WHMIS, Lifeguard Training, Babysitting or some other certificate that you worked hard to get? You can receive credits for those certificates. For more information, please see Mr. Culbertson or Ms. Mann in the Career Center.

Info for Grads

Grad Transitions:

Grad Transitions is a **mandatory** component for graduation worth 4 credits. Students must complete a Graduation Transition Plan. There are different areas in which they will need to meet a certain requirement such as Daily Physical Activity, Hours of Work or Volunteer, etc. Grade 12's will be given all necessary information about Grad Transition requirements by Ms. Hryniuk. Please see Ms. Hryniuk or Ms. Mann (in the Counselling Office) for more information.