



# ROCKRIDGE

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CALENDAR UPDATE	
May	Event
1	Summer Learning 2018 – <a href="#">Registration</a> Open
18	Professional Development Day – School not in Session
21	Victoria Day Holiday – School not in Session

## A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The school year may seem like it is winding down, yet our students are still engaged in many exciting learning activities. On May 5-6<sup>th</sup>, five Grade 9 girls competed in the 2018 Technovation BC Regional Competition at Simon Fraser University. According to the organizers, Technovation is a program that, “offers girls around the world the opportunity to learn the skills they need to emerge as tech entrepreneurs and leaders. Every year we invite girls to identify a problem in their community, and then challenge them to solve it. Girls work in teams to build both a mobile app and a business plan to launch that app, supported by mentors and guided by our curriculum”. Our Rockridge team presented and pitched months of research, business planning and app development to a panel of judges. Their app, *Quakesafe*, brings awareness, prepares and educates individuals and families about earthquakes. Our Rockridge Technovation team consisting of **Laila S, Fiona A, Lucy R, Lauren S and Megan S** placed 3<sup>rd</sup> and won a trip to Silicon Valley this summer for the 2018 World Pitch event. While in Silicon Valley they will meet other teams and women in technology. Congratulations to Ms. Kashani and the Rockridge team on their impressive showing!

This Wednesday, 40 Rockridge students in Grades 10-12 will be joining thousands of students across British Columbia at Youth Innovation Day at the #BCTECH Summit. Students will explore the wide range of education, training and career opportunities in our tech sector, and have the opportunity to meet with post-secondary institutions and companies who are creating the jobs of the future. Accompanied by Mr. Kim and Mr. Henning, this group of students should have a wonderful day of learning.

Mountain biking, rugby, Ultimate, golf and track and field are sports still underway. Wishing all our teams the best of luck in their remaining competitions!

## HOW ARE YOU PLANNING TO SPEND YOUR SUMMER? WORK, VOLUNTEER OR LEARN?

Summer is a great time to follow passions whether it's volunteering, learning or getting a job. Use the time to relax and get ready for the fall but also do some self-discovery. Many students get a better idea

of career direction by following their interests in extracurricular activities. Remember many post-secondary institutions are not only looking at grades. Many require a supplementary with your application so those extracurricular activities can prove very important in a university application. See a list of [summer opportunities](#) on the Rockridge Careers Page or come into the Career Centre (E102).

### STUDENT PARKING

If you are a student, you must have a Rockridge Parking pass to be parked anywhere on school grounds. Passes can be purchased in the office. Don't risk being towed; get your parking pass today. Reminder: student parking is in the upper lot only! Do not park in numbered spaces or the visitor spots out front.

**STUDENT TRANSPORTATION 2018/19** - Online Registration [here](#)

### GRADE 9 IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

#### Did you miss your GRADE 9 immunization at Rockridge?

You can call for an appointment at a community clinic or attend a drop-in clinic at the following locations:

<b>Central Community Health Centre</b> 132 West Esplanade, 6 <sup>th</sup> floor North Vancouver	<b>West Community Health Centre</b> Main Floor – 2121 Marine Drive West Vancouver
<b>Wednesdays</b> 3-5:30pm <b>(4-19 years)</b>	<b>Thursdays</b> 2:30-4:00pm <b>(4-19 years)</b>

If you have any questions please contact your **school nurse Sue Foster** at [sue.foster@vch.ca](mailto:sue.foster@vch.ca)

#### WHY IS IT IMPORTANT FOR YOUR STUDENT TO HAVE THEIR FORMS COMPLETED?

##### ONLINE FORMS

The completion of the online form enables students to fully participate in their classroom activities. At this time:

- **Some teachers cannot get all their students in their class set up on Google Apps**

We ask that parents and guardians please complete the District Policies and Procedures Forms electronically, which are found on the school website at <https://eforms.sd45.bc.ca/Form/PandP>

##### STUDENT RELEASE FORMS

We ask that parents complete and return these forms to the school so that we can complete our Emergency Preparedness plan. Student Release Forms were distributed to students during the first week.

##### STUDENT VERIFICATION FORMS

We ask that parents sign and return forms confirming all information is correct and noting any changes to contact information. Student Verification Forms were distributed to students during the first week.

**YOUR ASSISTANCE IN ENSURING THAT ALL OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED FORMS ARE COMPLETED  
IS APPRECIATED**