Imagine High

NOVEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER



Imagine High is situated on the ancestral and unceded, shared territory of the Ts'elxwéyeqw, Semath and Pilalt Tribes. We are honoured to be in community on this land.

December Deep Dives: Student Selections Close November 9 at Noon

It's almost Deep Dive time! One of the unique parts of learning at Imagine, Deep Dives give students the opportunity to step outside their regular schedules and spend two weeks immersed in hands-on, interdisciplinary learning experiences driven by their interests and passions.

Students will select their December Deep Dives this week! We encourage families to review the offerings together and chat about which experiences might be a great fit.

Important Dates and Details:

- Tuesday, November 3 at 9 AM: Student selection survey opens.
- Monday, November 9 at 9 AM: Personal Passion Project applications are due.
- **All students must select THREE choices, including those applying for a Personal Passion Project. Surveys with fewer than three choices will not be considered.**

Personal Passion Project applications are available at the Welcome Centre. Students can complete their selections using the **December 2026 Deep Dive Selection Form.**

We can't wait to see what our students explore, create, and discover this December!







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KEY INFORMATION 2026-2027

CONTACT IMAGINE

- Visit our website imagine.sd33.bc.ca or email iss-alloffice@sd33.bc.ca
- Phone: 604.792.0941
- Follow on Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram @imaginesd33

STUDENT FEES - QUICKPAY

- School Fees are now due. Click on the 'SD33 Pay Online' link on the imagine.sd33.bc.ca website to pay fees online!

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

- If you are interested in being part of the Parent Advisory Council at Imagine High, please email: iss-pac@sd33.bc.ca
- PAC meetings will also be posted on our website

GRAD 2027

- Visit the Graduation Tab at imagine.sd33.bc.ca for the Grad Handbook and Guides
- Grade 12 students are expected to stay up to date on graduation events and information

ATTENDANCE

- ATTENDANCE IS TAKEN in BOTH AM/PM - families are notified AFTER SCHOOL if students were absent
- Reach out to teachers with attendance questions: https://imagine.sd33.bc.ca/staff/teachers

STUDENT & FAMILY HANDBOOK

- Visit the Parent & Student Info Tab on imagine.sd33.bc.ca to view the handbook

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KEY INFORMATION 2026-2027

NO-BELL SCHEDULE
2026-2027

Time	Bell
8:26PM	School Begins
8:26 - 9:49	AM Integrated Core/Pairings/Electives
9:49 - 9:57	Break
9:57 - 11:20	AM Integrated Core/Pairings/Electives
11:20 - 12:00	Lunch
12:00 - 1:23	PM Integrated Core/Pairings/Electives
1:23 - 1:30	Break
1:30 - 2:52	AM Integrated Core/Pairings/Electives
2:52 PM	School Ends

IMPORTANT DATES

November 3-9: Deep Dive Selections
November 6: Non-Instructional Day No School
November 9: Last Day for Q2 Course Changes
November 10: Remembrance Day Assembly
November 11: Remembrance Day No School
November 19: Learning Updates home
November 23: PAC Meeting
November 27: Non-Instructional Day No School
November 30-December 2: Grad Photos
December 1: Student Agency @ SSS
December 7-18: Deep Dives
December 9: Grad Meeting @ 6pm
December 16: Whole School Breakfast

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL & EARLY DISMISSAL DATES 2026-2027

Visit
https://www.sd33.bc.ca/school-calendar-20252026
for dates.

IMAGINE CAREER CENTRE

The Imagine Career Centre is your centralized spot for all things scholarships, post-secondary information, and work experience. Please follow us on Instagram @imagine_careercentre to stay informed about financial award opportunities as well as volunteer placements and enrichment opportunities.

Visit our CAREER ADVISOR, WORK EXPERIENCE FACILITATOR AND DUAL CREDIT & APPRENTICESHIP COORDINATORS IN ROOM 164 BY THE THEATRE LOBBY.





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Career Centre at Imagine

START PLANNING YOUR FUTURE TODAY

Please welcome Ms. Jones as our new Career Advisor - please E-Mail jamie_fitzpatrick@sd33.bc.ca for any Career Advisor requests or swing by the Career Centre on Mondays or Wednesdays.

Important Information for grade 12 students!
Look out for seminars coming soon on how to apply to the district scholarship program. Please note that the District Scholarship Program deadline date is February 11, 2027, by noon.

Nomination Awards– For those Grade 12 Students who are interested in applying for the following scholarships, please see the Career Centre for information on how to seek school nominations. Student will require an Essay, Student Transcripts, and Activities Resume to be submitted before the nomination deadline to the career advisor. For more information, please stop by the Career Centre.

Schulich Leaders– Nomination Deadline November 24, 2026, Schulich Leader Scholarships are Canada's most coveted undergraduate STEM scholarships. One hundred are awarded to entrepreneurial-minded high school graduates enrolling in a Science, Technology, Engineering or Math program at 20 partner universities across Canada. Half are valued at $120,000 for engineering scholarships and half are valued at $100,000* for science and math scholarships. Every high school in Canada can nominate one graduating student each year to apply for the scholarship. Seek Nomination!

BC Excellence- Nomination Deadline November 24, 2026 - The BC Excellence Scholarship is a $5000 scholarship awarded to high school graduates who have demonstrated service and leadership, both at school and in their communities, and who show aptitude for and commitment to their chosen career or area of post-secondary study.

Cmolik Foundation—Nomination Deadline November 24, 2026 - Are you a student graduating from BC high school? Have you demonstrated a strong work ethic and tenacity in overcoming adversity and in achieving your goals? If so, we would love to hear from you! Every year, Cmolik Foundation awards up to 20 scholarships each with a maximum value of $50,000, paid over five years, to deserving students.



Supporting Student Success Through Partnership

INCLUSIVE DESIGN TEAM: SONJA WYKPIS, JENN ANGLEHART, ROBYN PAGE, SCOTT HEWITTSON, DAN KATZ

At Imagine High, we believe students thrive when families, educators, and support teams work together. For students with diverse learning needs, strong partnerships build consistency, confidence, and independence. Each student's CBIEP includes strategies for teachers, students, and families. Here are some ways parents and caregivers can support success throughout the school year.

Focus on Strengths

Recognizing and celebrating your child's strengths builds confidence and resilience. Encouraging what they do well helps them approach challenges with a positive mindset.

Maintain Open Communication

Stay connected with teachers, counsellors, and the Inclusive Design Team (IDT). Sharing successes, concerns, and strategies that work at home helps us better support your child at school.

Encourage Organization and Independence

Help your child develop skills for lifelong success by encouraging:

- Use of planners, calendars, and reminders
- Consistent homework and study routines
- Self-advocacy and asking for help when needed
- Small steps toward independence can make a big difference.

Prioritize Well-Being

Adequate sleep, healthy nutrition, physical activity, and predictable routines support emotional well-being and learning.

Connect with Community Supports

Families don't have to navigate challenges alone. Many community organizations offer resources, advocacy, and support for students with diverse abilities. Reach out to the IDT if you need help connecting with appropriate services.



Fall Sports at Imagine

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR - KRISTEN LOW

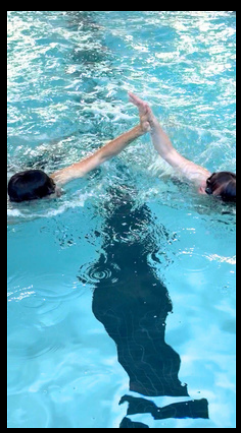
As the fall sports season is winding down at Imagine, we are celebrating all the successes that our Nation athletes accomplished.

Volleyball: Our co-ed senior team this year had a lot of heart and determination. They battled hard in every match against strong AAA and AAAA teams with close scores and even walking away with several set wins. Congrats to all the players and best of luck to our graduating seniors: Bryan James, Calleigh Jimmie, Lance Deschene, Corwin Willms, and Emmy Casper-Joe.

Cross-Country: Our cross-country team was small but mighty with only 3 runners that attended the EVAA Zone Championships. Each of them had repeating personal best times throughout the various meets this season. At the EVAA Zone Championships in the senior girls AA category, Annalia Alton placed 9th and Sapphire Vialpando placed 18th. Malcolm McTague finished 23rd in the senior boys AA category. Congrats to all the runners and our graduating senior Annalia Alton!

Swimming: This past Sunday our swim team attended the EVAA Zone Championships in Agassiz and they had a very successful day at the pool! In the individual races we saw several swimmers improve their best times in the 50m freestyle, 50m backstroke, and 50m butterfly. Our mixed relay team (Axel McNama, Ayden Crabe, Zoey Legere, Annalia Alton) in the 50m freestyle placed 2nd overall and will be attending BCSS Provincials in Richmond on November 21/22. Dhruv Sandhu also placed 1st in the 50m SC freestyle and 2nd in the 50m SC backstroke and will be joining the relay team to represent Imagine High at the BCSS Provincial Championships. Best of luck to our 2 graduating swimmers this year: Axel McNama and Annalia Alton!

Winter sports: We have several winter sports starting up this month: Boys basketball, boys and girls curling and wrestling. Please listen to announcements or see Ms. Low for further information regarding the start of each season. We look forward to more Nation Athletics success through the winter season!











Indigenous Enhancement & Education Support

INDIGENOUS EA - ALEXANDREA DESILETS, GRAD COACH - CAM MCKERCHAR

October was a busy month for Indigenous Education at Imagine High, with lots of opportunities for students to connect with culture, community, and one another. We hosted a Grade 10 Indigenous Student Connect gathering with community members to explore future pathways and opportunities. We also had our first monthly district-wide ISVA meeting, with 22 Imagine students attending. Our school hosted a screening of Bev Sellers' documentary The Spirit Who Swims, and we welcomed former students back to help support our Indigenous drumming program. International students also partnered with Indigenous students for land-based learning and an art project, with plans to reconnect in November to learn about and make rattles. We wrapped up the month with Halloween-week drop-in activities, giving students a space to connect, enjoy snacks, play games, and participate in arts and crafts.

Indigenous Student Voice and Agency (ISVA) will be continuing this month on Monday November the 16th at NLC - Subject to change, stay tuned to the ISVA chat on teams or talk to your grad coach for updates as they come along.

University Application season is among us for grade 12s! UFV, UBC, CapU and more have applications open now, and if you are looking to apply, most Universities are taking Fall 2027 intake applications now. See your grad coach, or email cameron_mckerchar@sd33.bc.ca for help. Upcoming: SD33 Scholarship applications will be due in February, but book a time with your Grad Coach to begin the forms as soon as possible.

New Grad Coach Office and hours for this year:
Find Cameron McKerchar in room 212 from 7:45am - 4:00pm Mondays, Thursdays and Alternating Fridays.

Child & Youth Care Worker Update

Ms. Welsh

The school year is flying by! As the Child and Youth Care Worker (CYCW) at Imagine High, I have enjoyed getting to know students, especially our new Grade 9s, and building connections throughout the school. I also help coordinate the Starfish Backpack Program, which provides bags of food to help support students and families. If you think your child or family could benefit from the program, please reach out. Spaces are limited, but I am always happy to add names to the list and see what supports may be available. As we move into the colder months, I look forward to getting to know more students and continuing to support them. Whether students need someone to talk to, help finding resources, or just a place to check in, I am here to help.

Imagine Library

TEACHER LIBRARIAN - STEPHEN WYLIE

October was a fun month in the library! Our two-sentence scare contest was a great way to get students writing short, spooky stories, and we enjoyed reading every entry. Thank you to everyone who took part!

KNOW-vember is our theme this month! We are focusing on non-fiction titles and keeping ourselves in the loop. Learning and practicing how to think critically about where our information comes from matters more than ever. Before you believe or share something, ask: who wrote it, why they wrote it, and whether other trustworthy sources say the same thing. Websites like Snopes and FactCheck.orgcan help you verify claims, and a Google reverse image search can show you where a photo actually came from. Mr. Wylie is happy to help with any of these tools, so please stop by with your questions.

Our Book Spotlight for this month is Patron Saints of Nothing by Randy Ribay. After Jay, a Filipino American teenager, learns that his cousin has died in the Philippines' drug war, he travels there to find out what truly happened. The story explores family, grief, and identity, and it shows how hard it can be to uncover the truth; it is a great pick for readers who enjoy realistic fiction and mysteries.

As always, please do not hesitate to email Mr. Wylie (stephen_wylie@sd33.bc.ca) or visit the library to chat books, ask questions, or just to see the space! We look forward to seeing you soon!

Chilliwack Youth Health Centre (CYHC)

SCHOOL COUNSELLOR - DAN KATZ

Just a reminder as we head into fall season that the Chilliwack Youth Health Centre (CYHC) provides free, confidential, low-barrier health and wellness services for youth and young adults ages 12–26. No referral is required, and youth can access support on a drop-in basis, either in person or virtually. Services include counselling and mental health support, medical services, and connections/referrals to other community resources.

Counselling hours: Neighbourhood Learning Centre (46361 Yale Rd): Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, 1:00–7:00 p.m. (last drop-in at 5:30 p.m.)

Contact CYHC:

📞 604-819-4603

📧 chilliwackyhc@gmail.com

🌐 chilliwackyhc.com

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5-WEEK CULINARY SAMPLER PROGRAM

A TASTE OF YOUR FUTURE!



OPEN TO ALL SD33 STUDENTS IN GRADES 9 – 12



WHEN?
Last week of May until the end of school (5 weeks)

WHERE?
Imagine (Chilliwack)

SCHEDULE
Monday to Friday
8:30 am – 2:30 pm

WHAT YOU'LL EXPLORE:

- Knife skills & kitchen basics
- Cooking techniques
- Working with fresh ingredients
- Food preparation & plating
- Teamwork in a professional kitchen
- A taste of post-secondary culinary training (like PC1!)





LIMITED SEATING AVAILABLE.

INTERESTED?

Talk to your teachers or counsellors to learn more or email for details: **tbedford@vcc.ca**



Imagine High

GRAD 2027

ALL STUDENT & PARENT MEETING

Wednesday, December 9 @ 6 pm

Imagine Theatre

Community Resources in Chilliwack, BC

Indigenous-Specific Resources

Health & Wellness

- Stò:lo Service Agency 604-858-3366
- Mémiyelhtel Youth Services Chilliwack 604-824-3200
- Xyólheméylh – 604-858-0113
- Aboriginal Outreach Mental Health Nurse – 604-702-4860

Employment

- Stò:lo Aboriginal Skills & Employment Training (SASET) – 604-858-3691

Justice & Crisis (24/7)

- KUU-US Crisis Response Service – 1-800-KUU-US17 (1-800-588-8717)

  Culturally sensitive help, available 24/7.
  First Nations helping First Nations.

- Métis Crisis Line – 1-833-MÉTISBC (1-833-638-4722)
  Available 24/7.
  A place where you can talk, trust, trust, and feel safe.

- National Indian Residential School (IRS) Crisis Line – 1-866-925-4419

  Support for Former IRS students and their families.
  Available 24/7.

Culture & Community

- Sqwa First Nation – 604-792-9204
- Chilliwack Métis Association – 236-522-2461
- Coqualeetza Cultural Education Centre – 604-858-9431

Resources for All Students & Families

Mental Health & Medical

- Chilliwack General Hospital – 604-795-4141
- New Hope Health & Wellness Clinic – 604-798-2183
- Chilliwack Gender Care Clinic – 604-798-2183
- Chilliwack Division of Family Practice – 604-795-0034

Substance Use

- Chilliwack Addiction and Prevention Services – 604-795-5994
- Substance Use Access Team – 604-814-5542

Housing & Shelter

- Cyrus Centre (Youth) – 604-795-5773
- Wilma's Transition Society – 604-858-0468
- Ann Davis Transition Society – 604-792-2760
- Ruth & Naomi's Mission – 604-795-2322
- Salvation Army – 604-792-4466

Food & Basic Needs

- Ruth & Naomi's Mission – Meals & Hampers
- Salvation Army – Food Bank & Showers
- New Horizons – 604-308-9085

Income & Employment

- WorkBC – 778-860-5452
- Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction – 1-866-866-0800