



Program Activities

We are excited for you to Engage, Experience, and Explore all our Island, Province, and Country has to offer! Here is a list of potential activities. Stay tuned for dates and times and come experience traditional Canadian activities with us. You can find updates on our activities on our website studyvancouverisland.ca. 'True North' is the email we use to share upcoming trips and how to sign up. Watch for 'True North' emails and when activities are offered see your School Advisor for details. Check that 'True North' emails don't end up in your junk folder!

Some Fall Activities



Learn to Curl - Nanaimo Curling Club

This activity is a great Canadian experience filled with many laughs and tons of fun. Whether you're a brand-new curler or an experienced one the Nanaimo curling Center provides a great event for everyone!

Half day activity
Includes: lunch and curling equipment.



Discover Victoria - Victoria, BC

Victoria is known for its stunning heritage architecture framed by ocean views and mountain vistas. It is considered one of the most beautiful cities in the world.

Full day excursion
Includes: bus and tickets to attractions



One Day Salish Sea Sailing Adventure

Learn about local coastal ecosystems while observing marine life. Gain sailing and navigational skills sailing this 68 foot sail boat with Captain Drew and his crew.

Full day adventure out of Nanaimo Harbour in the Salish Sea



Discover Vancouver Vancouver, BC

Vancouver is a coastal gem surrounded by beautiful mountains. Spend the day experiencing Vancouver's natural and urban highlights

One day excursion
Includes: ferry, bus, and tickets to attractions



Festival of Lights – Ladysmith, BC

Celebrate the beginning of the Christmas season as Ladysmith simultaneously lights up the town with thousands of festive lights! Discover the spirit of Christmas and keep an eye out for Santa Claus.

November – Last Thursday
An evening event
Includes: family dinner



Whale Watching Adventure

A whale watching adventure offers a thrilling opportunity to observe magnificent marine mammals in their natural habitat. Navigating the Salish Sea in search of orcas (killer whales), humpback whales, and other wildlife.



Discover Whistler Mountain Ski Trip

Whistler Mountain is a famous winter destination playground attracting skiers, snowboarders, and winter enthusiasts from all over the world. Whistler Mountain offers spectacular recreation and Whistler Village overflows with Alpine charm.

Two-night, three-day excursion
Includes: ferry, bus, lift tickets, lessons and hotel.



Skating - Nanaimo

In Canada, millions of people lace up skates every year! Come learn the basics of skating and experience gliding across the ice. Guaranteed to bring on the laughter and fun times!

½ day activity
Includes: bus, activity fee and snacks



Winter Social and Farewell - Nanaimo

Gather your friends and come celebrate the completion of your first semester together. Enjoy music, dancing, and games. Share your stories and say farewell to students returning home.

January
An evening event
Includes: snacks



Mount Washington - Vancouver Island

Spend a day at Mount Washington! Enjoy snowshoeing, skiing, snowboarding, and tubing at Vancouver Island's winter playground. A true Canadian experience.

Full day activity
Includes: bus, activity fees



Discover Rocky Mountain Tour

The Rocky Mountains are renowned for their stunning scenery of emerald lakes, majestic mountains, amazing glaciers, and untouched wilderness. This tour includes visits to Lake Louise and Banff and hopefully some sightings of bears, moose, and mountain goats.

Three-night, four-day tour
Includes: ferry, bus, hotels and some meals.



Wild Play

WildPlay is an outdoor adventure park in a beautiful location beside Nanaimo River. We participate in ropes courses and ziplines designed for various skill levels and ages.

½ day activity
Includes: bus, activity fee and light dinner

Some Spring Activities



Bowling - Brechin Lanes or Splitsville, Nanaimo

Bowling is one of North America's most popular social activities. All it requires is a willingness to try something new and a good sense of humour! Join in for some friendly competition, some laughter, and some pizza

Half day activity
Includes: bus, activity fee, snacks



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Discover Yukon –Whitehorse, YT -

Experience Canada's "True North!" Learn about the way of life in the Yukon and see the Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights). Option to do a half-day dog sledding experience.

Four-day excursion
Includes: ferry, flights, bus, winter clothing, hotels, and some meals



Discover Rocky Mountain Tour

The Rocky Mountains are renowned for their stunning scenery of emerald lakes, majestic mountains, amazing glaciers, and untouched wilderness. This tour includes visits to Banff and Jasper and hopefully some sightings of bears, moose, and mountain goats

Three-night, four-day tour
Includes: ferry, bus, hotels and some meals.



Surfing - Tofino, Vancouver Island

Join us on Vancouver Island's wild west coast! Learn surfing basics, perfect your pop-up and master your wave catching while learning about Canadian surf-culture.

Full day excursion
Includes: bus and activity fee



Year End Celebration – Transfer Beach

Fun games, activities and farewell BBQ in Ladysmith, Vancouver Island.

Afternoon / early evening.
Includes: bbq dinner, activities and games.