



SMITHERS SECONDARY SCHOOL
BULKLEY VALLEY EDUCATION CONNECTION
BULKLEY VALLEY LEARNING CENTRE

JUNE 2026



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SSS Website: <https://sss.sd54.bc.ca/>

IMPORTANT DATES

June 11

Art Gives Back – “James and the Giant Peach”
7:30pm Della Herman Theatre

June 12

Spirit of the Gryphon Awards Celebration (12-1pm)

June 16

Honouring Our Elders-Portrait Unveiling
(block 3)

June 18

Grad Rehearsal 10:00am
(Grads-meet in Della Herman Theatre)
Grad walk around SSS Track 10:15 am

Grad Ceremony
SSS Gym (tickets required)
Della Herman Theatre (tickets not required)
Doors open 3:15pm and starts at 4:00pm

June 20

Prom 6:00pm – 9:00pm (Prestige Hotel)
DAF to follow (SSS)

June 24

Battle of the Bands – Period 3

June 25

Last day of school
Dismissal at 1:15 pm

September 9, 2026

First day of school – Grade 8's only

September 10, 2026

First day of school – All grades

GRYPHONS OF THE MONTH

JUNE 2026

Our Gryphons of the Month are selected by our SSS staff. They are chosen for exemplifying our Gryphon SPIRIT.

Grade 8 - Emma Skerik - Emma is a dedicated and hardworking student who consistently demonstrates a strong commitment to excellence in all that she does. She contributes positively to the school culture through her supportive attitude and willingness to go above and beyond for others. Emma has high standards, holding herself accountable while encouraging others to do their best as well. Her conscientious and responsible nature is evident in her reliability and her attention to detail. She volunteers her time and energy to support school initiatives. Emma's positive presence and strong work ethic make her a valued and respected member of the school community.

Grade 8 - Lily Zoller - Lily is an inspiring student leader who actively contributes to her school community. Through her involvement in extracurricular activities such as basketball, soccer, track and field, science fair, and leadership initiatives, she demonstrates commitment and school spirit. Lily is a dedicated volunteer who takes initiative and approaches every opportunity with enthusiasm and determination. She always strives to do her best, setting a positive example for her peers. Known for her responsible and inclusive nature, Lily helps create a welcoming environment where others feel valued and supported. Her leadership, effort, and positive attitude make her an exceptional role model within the school.

Grade 9 - Justina Doerksen - Justina is a self-motivated and hardworking student who approaches her responsibilities with dedication and pride. She is personable and carries a positive attitude that makes her a pleasure to be around, while also serving as a positive influence on her peers. Known for her polite and kind nature, Justina treats others with respect and helps foster a welcoming and supportive environment. She is responsible and dependable, balancing her commitments with care and maturity. In addition to her strong character, Justina is actively involved in both school sports and the school community, demonstrating her enthusiasm and commitment to showing her Gryphon SPIRIT.

GRYPHONS OF THE MONTH

CONTINUED

Grade 10- Ryder Mathieu - Ryder is a positive and hardworking student who takes pride in his learning and consistently strives to do his best. He demonstrates responsibility by staying focused and making excellent use of class time, ensuring he reaches his full potential. Ryder's supportive nature is evident in the way he encourages and helps his peers, contributing to a collaborative and respectful classroom environment. His strong work ethic and willingness to assist others make him a valued and dependable member of the school community.

Grade 11 - Greyson Brooks - Greyson is a hardworking and respectful student who consistently makes productive use of his class time. He approaches his learning with focus and determination, which is reflected in his strong academic achievement. Greyson is also empathetic and considerate, showing genuine care and understanding toward others. He supports his peers on their learning journeys, offering encouragement and assistance when needed. His positive attitude, strong work ethic, and willingness to help others make him a valued and respected member of the school community.

Grade 12- Mason Gale - Mason is a hardworking student who consistently a strong commitment to his academic success. He approaches his learning with a positive attitude and a determination to achieve at a high level, setting an excellent example for his peers. Mason's dedication to his studies is evident in his high achievement and the effort he puts into every task. As a role model within the classroom, he inspires others through his work ethic, focus, and willingness to strive for excellence. Mason's positive mindset and academic commitment make him a highly respected and valued member of the school community.

Grade 12 - Olivia Jaarsma - Olivia is a creative and compassionate individual who has shown remarkable resilience in rising above challenges. She is a natural leader among her peers and often serves as the glue that keeps groups connected and working effectively together. Olivia demonstrates a strong sense of responsibility, ensuring that she stays on top of her assignments and consistently meets expectations. She approaches her work with initiative and determination, taking ownership of her learning and contributing positively to her classroom community. Olivia's leadership, empathy, and dedication make her a valued and inspiring presence in our school community.

Smithers
Secondary School

Class of **2026**

IMPORTANT INFO:

Grad rehearsal

Date: Thursday June 18

Time: 10:00 am

Location: Della Herman Theatre



Grad Ceremony

Date: Thursday June 18

Time: 4:00 pm (Doors open at 3:15 pm)

Location: SSS Gym

****Tickets required for Gym**

(Overflow in Della Herman Theatre-tickets not required)

****Each family will receive 4 ceremony
(gym) tickets after May 1, and after fees paid.**

**If you do not require 4, please leave for others.
If you need more than 4 tickets, add your name to the
waitlist at SSS Office (via phone, email or in person).**

Smithers
Secondary School

Class of **2026**

IMPORTANT INFO:

Prom



Date: Saturday June 20

Time: 6:00-9:00 pm

Location: Prestige Hotel

(Tickets required-pick up at SSS Office)

DAF to follow at SSS

GRAD FEES

Fee payment due now.

Fees must be paid prior to ticket release

Gown \$35

Prom \$40

DAF \$50



GRADUATION WALK 2026

JUNE 18, 2026 10:15AM

SMITHERS SECONDARY SCHOOL

SSS (INNER) TRACK

Join us in congratulating the class of
2026 while they do their grad walk
around the SSS track.

Questions?
250-847-2231
sssoffice@sd54.bc.ca



SSS ARTS GIVES BACK 2026

Featuring

**JAMES and
the GIANT
PEACH**

**Performances
& Silent Auction**

**Thursday, June 11th
Della Herman Theatre
7:30 pm**

**An SSS Grub Hub
Fundraiser!**

**Tickets: by donation (suggested amount: \$20.00)
Tickets available at Interior Stationery and the SSS Office**



SPIRIT of the Gryphon

AWARDS CELEBRATION



GLEN RIDENNOURE OUTSTANDING ATHLETE AWARD

Glenn Ridenoure was known to be a natural athlete, appearing to make anything he tried look easy.

The Glenn Ridenoure Award recognizes athletes in Grades 9-12 that excel in multiple sports. These individuals participate in a number of sports and display exemplary commitment to training, competition and sportsmanship, making them outstanding ambassadors of our school athletics program.

DEBBIE STACEY SERVICE TO SPORT AWARD

Debbie was a tremendous ambassador for sport. She was willing to help when and as needed and was extremely keen and organized.

This award in Debbie's name is presented to an athlete who has displayed outstanding service to sport in our school by means of volunteering, service, coaching elementary programs, dedication to the improvement of their sport.



MICHAEL CROMER ACADEMIC ATHLETE AWARD

Michael attended Smithers Secondary School from 1987-1991. During his time at SSS he participated at a high level in multiple sports, attending provincial championships on numerous occasions. In addition to being an outstanding athlete, Michael was also a very strong student, achieving a straight A average in his academics.

The Michael Cromer Award is awarded to an athlete that achieves exemplary academic and athletic achievement embodying the concept of the student athlete.



WHEN: JUNE 12
TIME: 12:00-1:00PM
WHERE: SSS GYM

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT
AWARD
AN INDIVIDUAL SPORT OR TEAM SPORT

SHERI MOTZ DEDICATION TO VOLLEYBALL AWARD

Sheri Motz was a graduate of Smithers Secondary in 1987. During her time at SSS Sheri was an avid volleyball player.

This award was created in her name to honour a member of our volleyball community that has shown outstanding commitment to volleyball.



CRAIG ROBERTS RESILIENCY AWARD

Craig was a prominent member of the wrestling team during his time at SSS. He was part of a group that established Smithers as a perennial wrestling powerhouse. He began wrestling at the age of 12 and went on to win 4 BC High school championships. Craig left Smithers to join the world-renowned Burnaby Mountain Wrestling program. Under the direction of his coaches Craig went on to become a three-time All American for Simon Fraser University, he represented Canada on many occasions, most notably being a two-time Commonwealth Games champion and a 12th place finish at the 1996 summer Olympics in Atlanta.

This award in Craig's name is presented to an athlete that has overcome substantial adversity.

AWARD CATEGORIES

CULINARY ARTS

MEDIA DESIGN

TECH. ED

METALWORK

WOODWORK

PHOTOGRAPHY

FINE ARTS





BOTTLES

Spring BBQ left you with a
stack of bottles?



Want to support kids going
off to post secondary
school?

**Donate your bottles this
spring and summer to the
SSS PAC at the Smithers
recycling depot!**



**The money made from
returned bottles will go
toward our bursary program!**

FOR BURSARIES

BULKLEY VALLEY SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT



JUNE 12-14 2026

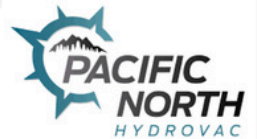
U9 - U17 CO-ED DIVISIONS

FOOD TRUCKS
FULL CANTEEN
FINALS SUNDAY

Come support your local teams at the Elks Fields !



CUTTING EDGE
PROJECTS



JESSE BUTLER
PERSONAL REAL ESTATE CORPORATION



PHIL BERNIER
PERSONAL REAL ESTATE CORPORATION



— 4TH ANNUAL — **FATHER'S DAY**

FAMILY FISHING EVENT

TYHEE LAKE PROVINCIAL PARK **JUNE 21 | 11AM – 3PM**

**SO LONG
SUCKER
DIVISION!**



**WIN A FULL DAY
FISHING CHARTER!**



**NORTHERN DREAM
COASTAL CHARTERS**

-  Up to 4 people
-  Kitimat or Prince Rupert
-  Full Day
-  Salmon • Halibut • Lingcod

**AWARDED TO
THE BIGGEST
FISH –
FAMILY
DIVISION**

FAMILY FUN FOR EVERYONE!



Free BBQ & Ice Cream

Games & Face Painting

Kids Bingo



Learn to Fish (All Ages)

Pond Dipping

Fly Fishing Demo

Lots of Prizes & Draws



Ages
14-18

Smithers

June 29 -
July 2



Hazelton

July 27 -
July 30

Witset Citwangak Terrace

July 6 -
July 9

July 13 -
July 16

July 20 -
July 23

QUESTIONS?

Email - Rafting@SkeenaWaterShed.com or call 250-842-2494

**AUG
18-20
2026**



Impact
Volleyball is
back with
year two of
bringing high
quality camps
to the north!

**IMPACT GR 5-7 GIRLS
VOLLEYBALL CAMP -
SMITHERS
2:30-4:30 - \$129**

**IMPACT GR 8-10 GIRLS
VOLLEYBALL CAMP -
SMITHERS
12:30-2:30 - \$129**

**IMPACT GR 10-12 GIRLS
VOLLEYBALL CAMP -
SMITHERS
9:00-11:30 - \$159**



SCAN HERE TO REGISTER

https://register.citruscomps.com/pg/pg_FZm1qR5TmetGnX/WV?type=camp&place_name=Smithers

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