

## Ballenas Secondary School - Profile

135 Pym St, Parksville, BC

<https://www.sd69.bc.ca/school/BSS>



**Grades 8-12**

**School Population: 1000**

**Semester School**

### School Highlights

- Great Theatre and Music programs
- Strong Athletic Programs with a very successful Football Program Comprehensive Fine Arts programs: band, dance, drama, strings, visual arts, musical theatre, and film studies
- Excellent choice of high level academic classes in the areas of English, Social Studies and Science

Hello Future/Potential Ballenas Whalers!

I look forward to meeting you all and welcoming you to our school. We are so happy to have you join us and are eager to share with you all that our school has to offer. I encourage you to try some classes you wouldn't normally take in your home countries. Take advantage of the flexibility of our schedules here in Canada, and try something new and different, after all, that is why you came isn't it? Also, the best way to make friends is by joining a team or a club so I would be happy to help point you in the right direction once you arrive. My office door is always open so please stop by and ask questions, seek advice or just say hi!

See you soon! Mrs. Philip

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
				DAY 1	DAY 2
Block A 8:40-10:00	Block C 8:40-10:00	<b>FLEXIBLE LEARNING</b> 8:40-10:00	Block D 8:40-10:00	Block A 8:40-9:35	Block C 8:40-9:35
Block B 10:05-11:25	Block D 10:05-11:25	Block B 10:05-11:05	Block C 10:05-11:25	HR/CLC 9:40-10:25	HR/CLC 9:40-10:25
		Block A 11:10-12:10		Block B 10:30-11:25	Block D 10:30-11:25
LUNCH 11:25-12:16	LUNCH 11:25-12:16	LUNCH 12:10-12:56	LUNCH 11:25-12:16	LUNCH 11:25-12:16	
Block C 12:21-1:40	Block A 12:21-1:40	Block D 1:01-2:00	Block B 12:21-1:40	Block C 12:21-1:40	Block A 12:21-1:40
Block D 1:45-3:05	Block B 1:45-3:05	Block C 2:05-3:05	Block A 1:45-3:05	Block D 1:45-3:05	Block B 1:45-3:05

**ACADEMICS**

Language: English, French, Spanish

Science: Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Environmental Science

Math: Applied Math, Foundations of Math, Calculus

Social Studies: First Nations, Law, Psychology, History

Career and Life Education/Career and Health Education

Scientific methodology

**ELECTIVE COURSES**

Electronics and Robotics

Foods and Nutrition

Woodwork/Metalwork

Art and Visual Media Arts

Computer Information Systems/ Marketing/Entrepreneurship

Theatre/Drama/Music

Drafting

Power Mechanics

**CLUBS**

Interact Club (school and community activism)

Model UN VClub

Robotics club

Leadership

Run club

Gay Straight Alliance Club

Choir

**Please note:** the selection of specific extracurricular activities and clubs may change from year to year. Students who wish to participate in a specific activity or club should inquire on availability at the time of application. Team selection is based on tryouts and student participation cannot be guaranteed. International students wishing to be part of one of our sports teams must be enrolled for at LEAST one semester of full classes to be eligible to play, according to BC School Sports regulations.

Season	Sport	Team	Age Level*
<b>Fall</b> September to December	Soccer	Boys	Junior and Senior
	American Football	Boys	Junior and Senior
	Volleyball	Boys and Girls	Junior and Senior
<b>Winter</b> December to	Basketball	Boys and Girls	Junior and Senior
	Curling	Boys and Girls	Senior
<b>Spring</b> March to June	Track and Field	Boys and Girls	Junior and Senior
	Soccer	Girls	Junior and Senior
	Mountain Biking	Boys and Girls	Junior and Senior
	Rugby	Boys and Girls	Junior and Senior
*Ballenas Gym has a Climbing Wall open on Wed nights and for use in Physical Education classes			

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## BALLENAS SECONDARY SCHOOL

- School population 1000
- International students 100
- Students come from 16 different countries
- Semester School
- French Immersion

## ACADEMICS

- English
- Science: Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Environmental Science
- Math: Applied Math, Foundations of Math, Calculus
- Social Studies: First Nations, Law, Psychology, History
- Career and Life Education/Career and Health Education
- Scientific methodology

## ELECTIVE COURSES

- Electronics
- Foods and Nutrition
- Woodwork/Metalwork
- Art and Visual Media Arts
- Computer Information Systems/Marketing/Entrepreneurship
- Musical Theatre

## SPORTS TEAMS

- American Football
- Basketball
- Rugby
- Track and field
- Volleyball
- Soccer (spring)

## CLUBS

- Interact Club (school and community activism)
- Model UN
- Robotics club
- Leadership
- Run club
- Gay Straight Alliance Club
- Choir

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS

- ROAMS and Global ROAMS (RIVER, OCEAN AND MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS)
- Soccer Program
- Golf program
- French Immersion
- Peer Listeners
- Spanish
- Ice Hockey program

## PARKVILLE: THINGS TO DO

- Hike Englishman River Trail System and Top Bridge
- Swim at Rathtrevor Provincial Park
- Play tennis or beach volleyball at Parkville Beach
- Skate at Oceanside arena
- Watch our local hockey team: The Oceanside Generals
- Mini-golf at 2 different courses

## SPORTS

- American Football (September – November)
- Soccer (Boys, Girls – spring)
- Volleyball (September – November)
- Basketball (November – February)
- Rugby (spring)
- Curling (winter)
- Badminton (October – April, every Wed night)
- Tennis (March – May)
- Track and Field (March – May)
- Golf (March – May)
- Ice Hockey (winter)
- Fitness/Yoga (October – April, two days per week after school)
- Scuba diving (See ROAMS)
- Climbing (October – April, every Wed night)
- Surfing (see ROAMS)
- Skiing (See ROAMS)

