

# 65th Vancouver Island REGIONAL SCIENCE FAIR

Sunday April 12 – Monday April 13, 2026

## Science Fair Schedule

### Fair Schedule and Location

The Fair will be run in the **Elliott Lecture Wing** at the University of Victoria.

See the map below. The Elliott Lecture Wing is located at grid B2. The nearest public parking is in Lot #1 - grid C3. The MacLaurin Building is in grid A2. The Bob Wright Centre (Earth and Ocean Sciences) is in grid C1-C2 close to the parking Lot #1.

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Sunday, April 12, 2026		
Students	8:00 - 9:00	<b>Exhibit Setup.</b> Arrive as late as you like, provided your exhibit is set-up by 8:30 am. Volunteers will come around to each project doing a required safety check.
Judges	8:30 - 9:00	<b>Judges Arrive:</b> Get badges, coffee, donuts and find groups in the ECS 123
Judges	9:00 - 9:30	<b>Judges Orientation</b> - in the ECS 123
Students	9:00 - 9:30	<b>Welcome:</b> Student Orientation to Parents and Students - Elliott Room 168
Students	9:30 - 12:00	<b>Judging - Round 1 :</b> Each entrant will see three or more judges.
Judges	9:30 - 11:30	<b>Judging - Round 1 :</b> Judging may extend to 12:00 as needed.
Students	12:00 - 13:00	<b>Break:</b> Entrants are encouraged to look at other exhibits at the Science Fair
Judges	11:45 - 13:00	<b>Deliberation and Lunch:</b> Judges to rank exhibits and prepare for 2nd round of judging in ECS 123
Specialty Judges	12:30 - 13:00	<b>Registration:</b> Judges for Specialty Awards to get badges and exhibit information in ECS 123
Students, Judges & Specialty Judges	13:00 - 15:00	<b>Judging - Round 2 :</b> Follow-up judging of selected exhibits. Judging for Specialty Awards
GENERAL PUBLIC		<b>Public Viewing of Exhibits</b>
Students, Judges & Specialty Judges	15:00 - 16:00	Judging for Specialty Awards may continue
Students & Judges	16:00	Sunday fair day is complete. All students and judges may leave.
Monday, April 13, 2026		
9:00 - 10:00		Chemistry Show presented by University of Victoria's Chemistry Department
10:00 - 12:30		<b>School tours and public viewing.</b>
12:30 - 13:15		Student Lunch. Proceed to MacLaurin Building after 1:15
13:30 - 15:00		<b>Awards Ceremony</b> in room A144 of the MacLaurin building.
15:30		Overall Winners meet with SAYS officials to discuss the Canada Wide Science Fair NOTE: Parents of the Overall Winners are needed to complete registration for the CWSF.
16:00		Exhibits dismantled by 4:00pm.

### Parents and Teachers

- Only entrants and judges are permitted in the building during the first round of judging on Sunday from 10:00 - 12:00 . In order to ensure that the participants are judged fairly, everyone else must leave the building. The public is welcome during the 2nd round of judging but must not interfere with judging that may take place from 1:00 - 3:00 pm.

### Parents

- Students will be required to supply their own lunches each day they are on site.  
Vending machines are also available within the building for snacks.

### Students

- During the judging and at times during public viewing there may be periods when you will be waiting.  
Bring a book to read or something to work on during this time.

### Registration Fee

The students or their school on their behalf are required to pay an entrance fee of \$35.00 per exhibit.  
Follow the instructions on the VIRSF website in order to pay.