



# DAVID THOMPSON SECONDARY SCHOOL

## Extended Vacation Request

**TO: Parents/Guardians of students who plan to take extended vacations while school is in session:**

The Public Schools Act of British Columbia stipulates the number of days and hours school should be in session. The School Act does not allow for school officials to grant students permission for extended vacations while school is in session.

**Extended Vacations for Students**

Increasingly over the past few years, a number of students/families have extended their vacations. We have no wish to be punitive when absences are legitimate; however, extended holidays cannot be accommodated and teachers are not expected to provide work during or prior to the vacation nor reteach lessons missed. Missed learning and an extended absence may not give teachers enough information to adequately assess your child, and may result in **'Insufficient Evidence of Learning' or IE.**

The purpose of this form is to emphasize the fact that extended vacations are the responsibility of the parents/guardians. The teachers' signatures on this form indicate that they have been informed of the student's intention to miss school; however, these signatures are **not** an assurance that the student's final standing in his/her courses will be unaffected.

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**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student No.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Extended Vacation Dates: FROM:** \_\_\_\_\_ **TO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason(s):** \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian
Date

**TEACHERS:**

Semester 1	Subject:	Teacher's Signature:
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
Semester 2	Subject:	
1.		
2.		
3.		
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**COUNSELLOR SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student retains the original copy of this document and provides the school Counsellor and Records Clerk a photocopy.**