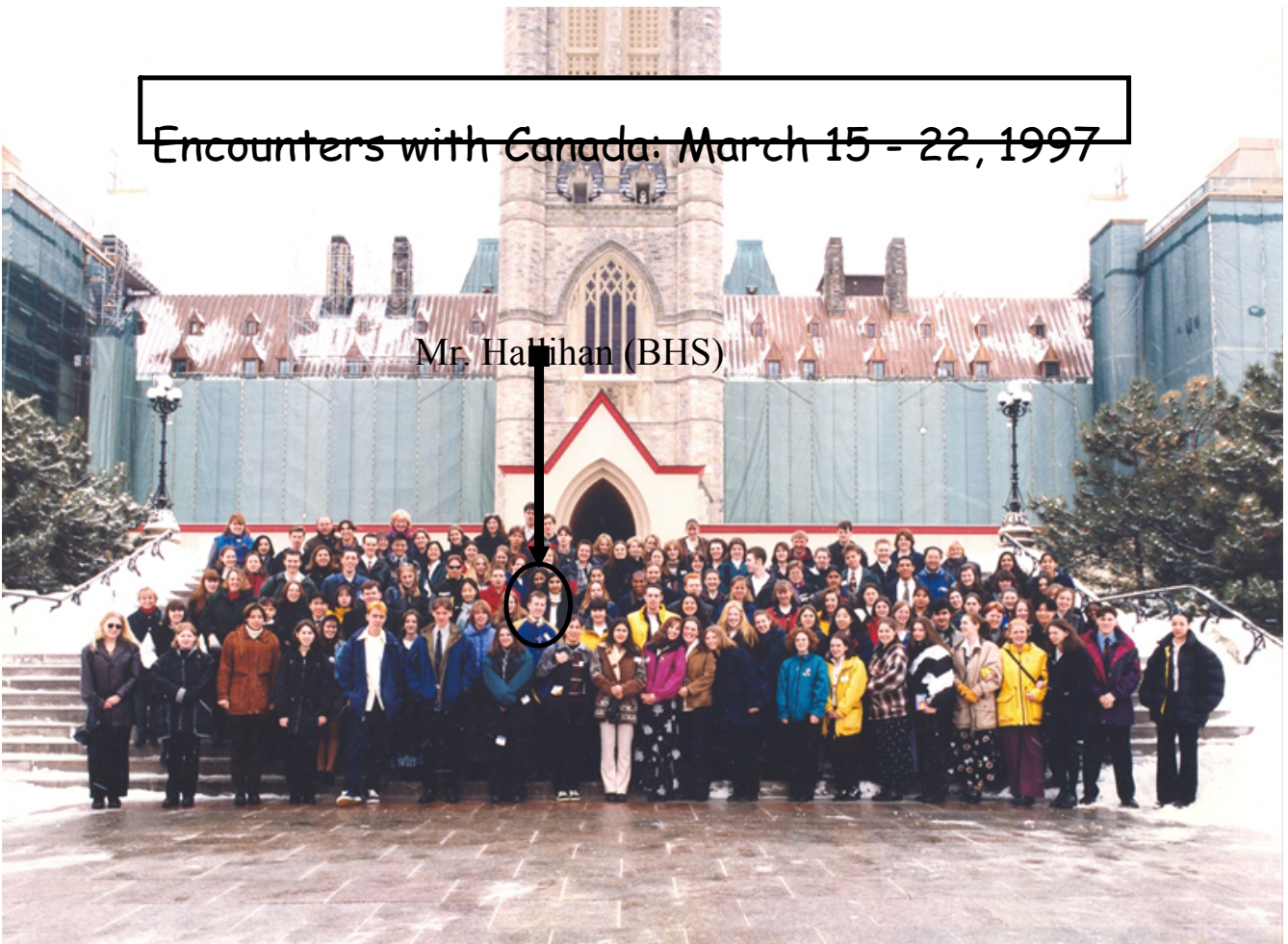


~~Encounters with Canada: March 15 - 22, 1997~~

Mr. Hallihan (BHS)





What is Encounters with Canada?

Encounters with Canada is a one-week program of Canadian studies held at the Terry Fox Canadian Youth Centre in Ottawa. Its objective is to bring young Canadians from different backgrounds and regions together in order to give them an opportunity to learn about one another, to discover their country through each other and to gain a better understanding of Canadian institutions. **Encounters with Canada is the largest youth forum in Canada.**





<https://www.ewc-rdc.ca/en/promo.html>

MODULES :

Students participate in unique and interactive modules, each linked to their chosen career theme.

Linguistic Duality

- programmed by Official Languages of the Department of Canadian Heritage

Participants consider the benefits and challenges of living in a bilingual country. This module is adapted to reflect the issues expressed by participants in each career theme.

Multiculturalism

- programmed by Citizenship and Immigration Canada

The goal is to foster increased intercultural understanding and an integrated society with equal opportunity for all, as well as to enhance the values and promote the rights and responsibilities of Canadian citizenship.

Peace

- programmed by the Department of Veterans Affairs Canada

The aim is to raise student awareness of the price of peace, and to honour and remember Canadians currently serving or who have served our country with great dignity and sacrifice, so we may live in a free society.

Youth Engagement

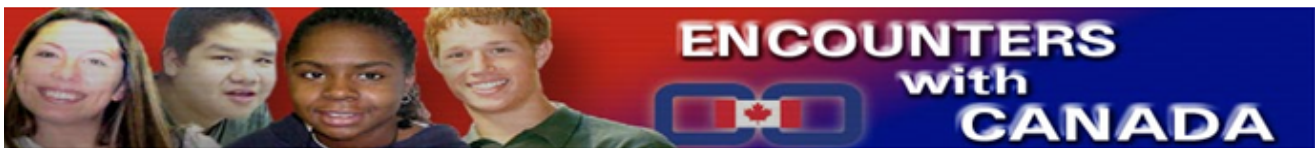
Students meet Senior Citizenship Judge George Springate to discuss how they can make a difference, and the important role they can play through their involvement in their communities and in the political process.

A WEEK OF UNIQUE EXPERIENCES - A LIFETIME OF MEMORIES

Every week, Encounters with Canada (EWC) hosts over 130 dynamic young people aged 14 to 17 years, who travel to the Terry Fox Canadian Youth Centre, forming a mini-Canada representation and taking part in this amazing bilingual adventure.

To be eligible, the student must be:

- Between 14 and 17 years old
- Enrolled in an educational institution recognized by the Ministry of Education
- A Canadian citizen or landed immigrant



- **What programs are offered?**

The week is divided into two parts:

(1) first part of the week focuses on Canadian Institutes and includes a visit to Parliament, the Senate and guided tours of the National Capital Region.

(2) second part of the week focuses around 12 sub-themes (bold themes offered only once)...

- **Canada Remembers (November 4 - 10, 2012)**
- **Royal Canadian Mounted Police (February 17 – 23, 2013)**
- Vimy: Canada's Coming of Age (2 weeks)
- Sports and Fitness (5 weeks)
- Arts and Culture (4 weeks)
- Medicine and Health (5 weeks)
- Science and Technology (2 weeks)
- **Law (Nov. 25 – Dec. 1, 2012)**
- **Journalism and Communications (Mar. 3 – 9, 2013)**
- **Politics in Canada (Apr. 21 – 27, 2013)**
- International Affairs (2 weeks)
- **Environment and Ecology (Apr. 28 – May 4, 2013)**





- **How much does it cost?**

The registration fee for the 2012-2013 program year is \$675 per student. However, our provincial government will contribute \$175 per student. Therefore, **the total cost is \$500 per student**. Each student can either obtain sponsors and/or pay the fee themselves. At MVHS, we have a number of sponsors each year that will help offset the cost for all participants.





- **How can I get selected?**

The student must be **14 – 17 years old** when they attend. Students that attend the program should meet the following criteria for selection...

- have an interest in the particular themes as well as an interest in Canadian studies.
- be an active, responsible participant in the various conferences, seminars, presentations, group discussion and tours.
- be responsive to the centre's goal of "developing a spirit of understanding and brotherhood among Canadians of all backgrounds".
- be committed to academic studies.
- be able to catch up on work missed at school during their week in Ottawa.
- be good ambassadors for their school, community and the province.
- be able to travel independently.

Each applicant must pass in the following documents into Mr. A. Hallihan by **Monday, May 7th**:

(1) a current resume

(2) a letter of intentions addressed to Mr. A. Hallihan that must clearly answer each of the following questions...

- What is your theme choice and how is the theme important to you?
- What skills and characteristics will allow you to be successful in group work situations?
- How can you be a good ambassador for your school, community and province from this experience?
- How do you intend to stay on top of your academics after missing one week of school?

After the submission of these documents, a third party from within the community will analyze the documents and select the **best candidates** based upon their application. Only the selected students will be notified and then the registration process will begin. However, there will be an ordered waiting list developed from all the applications with the possibility of obtaining extra seats.

CANADA REMEMBERS THEME WEEK

An exciting week of interactive Remembrance learning awaits you!

Encounters With Canada and Veterans Affairs Canada are proud to present the *Canada Remembers Theme Week* each November.

As a participant, you will have the opportunity to:

- talk with Veterans from wartime and more recent peace support efforts to explore their stories and experiences;
- participate in sessions designed to bring alive the legacy of peace left to young Canadians and to explore how Canadian history and heritage drives today's realities for youth;
- create a unique expression of Remembrance that reflects your thoughts and feelings on the sacrifices and achievements of all those Canadians who fought and protected peace and freedom worldwide;
- attend the National Remembrance Day Ceremony at the National War Memorial;
- make an act of Remembrance to express your thanks and appreciation for the Canada that we know and enjoy today;
- visit the Canadian War Museum; the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at the National War Memorial; the Memorial Chamber in the Peace Tower; the National Military Cemetery, and more..

Experience Canadian history as never before!

RCMP



Historica Encounters
RCMP Week

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Get a first hand look at law enforcement and crime prevention in Canada; make your voice heard to the RCMP Commissioner! The RCMP wants to give you the chance to rub shoulders with six RCMP officers at the Historica Encounters RCMP Week, February 21 - 27, 2010.

Participants will get the inside scoop on the RCMP's Explosive Disposal Unit, forensic lab services, police dog services as well as learn more about www.deal.org. The week will also include a tour of the stables of the legendary Musical Ride. Another highlight will be the Commissioner's Forum where you can raise issues of special concerns with the top Mountie!

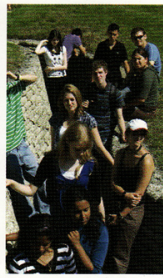
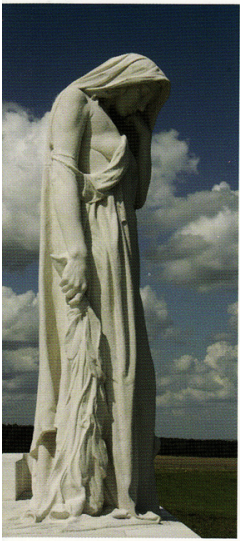
The RCMP has identified Canada's youth as a strategic priority. This is why the RCMP needs to know what you think about the involvement of youth in crime, both as victims and as offenders. Tell us how the RCMP can be more relevant to Canada's youth population, which is more culturally diverse now than ever before.

So make your voice heard; make a difference; step into the fascinating world of an RCMP officer...come to RCMP Week at Historica Encounters.



Royal Canadian Mounted Police Gendarmerie royale du Canada

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VIMY RIDGE

A LESSON IN WHAT IT MEANS TO BE CANADIAN

Are you interested in Canadian history? Do you enjoy sharing ideas and debating? Then the Vimy Ridge Week at Encounters With Canada is for you!

The Vimy Foundation believes that the key to a successful future lies in knowing one's past, and that the remarkable story of Vimy should be shared with young people from across the country.

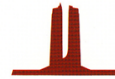
A true milestone in Canada's evolution from dominion to a nation among nations, the Battle of Vimy Ridge has been widely embraced as a turning point that brought Canada to the world stage. The Vimy Encounters week is an in-depth look at Canada's participation in the Great War, with seminars or debates on the Canadian Corps,

the capture of Vimy Ridge, Canada's 100 Days, the conscription crisis and the home front, Canada's new identity following the First World War and the legacy of Vimy. The week includes a special visit of Parliament, the War Museum, a ceremony on Vimy Ridge Day and a farewell banquet.

Two Vimy Week participants will also be honoured with the Vimy Prize Scholarship, a once-in-a-lifetime learning opportunity annually awarded to 16 Canadian, British and French youth that takes place in England, France and Belgium for two weeks in August.

HISTORICA ENCOUNTERS VIMY RIDGE WEEK
 Vimy: Canada's Coming of Age

www.vimyfoundation.ca



THE VIMY FOUNDATION

New Website for Encounters with Canada...

<http://mvhs.nbed.nb.ca/clubs/encounters-canada>





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EWC 2011-2012 Participants

 Image Gallery
Posted April 26, 2012



This past school year MVHS sent **9 students** to participate in the Encounters with Canada program. The themes included: Arts & Culture, Sports & Fitness, Medicine & Health, International Affairs and Canada Remembers...

MVHS Students Participating in the 2011-2012 Encounters with Canada Program

Posted August 29, 2011

This year the following students will be traveling to Ottawa to participate in the Encounters with Canada program at the

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MVHS 2011-2012 Participants...



- Bernard Wierzchoslawski - Arts and Culture (Sept. 18 - Sept. 24)
- Emma Boulay - Sports and Fitness (Oct. 29 - Oct. 15)
- Emily King - International Affairs (Oct. 29 - Oct. 30)
- Kendra DeGard - Medicine and Health (Oct. 30 - Nov. 5)
- Jayne McEachern - Medicine and Health (Oct. 30 - Nov. 5)
- Krystal Wilson - Canada Remembers (Nov. 6 - Nov. 12)
- Julianna Hache - Sports and Fitness (Jan. 29 - Feb. 4)
- Sarah Turcotte - Sports and Fitness (Jan. 29 - Feb. 4)



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THE PEACE MODULE

Explore the Concepts of Peace and Conflict

Most of us in Canada enjoy a level of peace and security that is only a distant dream to many in the world. Canada's culture of peace is in sharp contrast to the ongoing strife that plagues many parts of the globe. However, peace is a complex issue – more complex than it might seem at first glance.

To help Canadian youth learn more about this important subject, **Veterans Affairs Canada** is proud to support an exciting initiative in peace education. A key component of each of the **Encounters with Canada** theme weeks throughout the year is a learning and commemoration activity called the **Peace Module**.

The Peace Module

The Peace Module explores such things as the nature of Canadian peace support efforts worldwide, the nature of conflict in the world and the presence of these elements within our own 'peaceful' society. As well, some of the ways that peace can be nurtured are explored. These themes help build on many important aspects of citizenship and help unravel the questions surrounding what it means to be Canadian.

In the course of the 90-minute Peace Module, you will engage in several different activities. You will watch a thought-provoking presentation on issues of peace and its costs and learn from a Canadian Forces Veteran about his or her personal experiences in helping others – whether serving overseas on a peace mission, serving here in Canada during natural disasters, or dealing with the challenges faced in returning to civilian life once these efforts were over. As well, you will have the opportunity to discuss issues surrounding the concept of peace and the concrete efforts to build peace, whether here in our own communities, schools and homes, or around the world. The Peace Module also includes a Candlelight Tribute in which a symbolic 'flame of remembrance' is lit by a Veteran and then passed on to all the youth taking part in the ceremony.

Active, Dynamic Learning

The Module has important components of student reflection, discussion and remembrance. A key aspect of the Peace Module is how it moves beyond hearing about these issues and allows you to dynamically share ideas with other youth on how to make our country a more peaceful place and interact, first-hand, with a brave Canadian who has put his or her life on the line in the cause of peace.

So come to Encounters with Canada in Ottawa and experience and learn much about your country, your fellow Canadians and the peace with which we are privileged... and become better Canadians in the process!

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