

# Vanier this week

MONDAY AUGUST 24, 2009

**IDENTIFICATION (I.D.) CARDS**  
Random spot checks will be taking place, make sure you have your valid Vanier I.D. with you at all times.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CULTURAL BYWORD

He who has health has hope; he who has hope, has everything.

-Arab proverb

### IMPORTANT DATES

August 24: First Day of Classes  
August 24 & 25: Course Correction  
August 27 & 28: Preference Course Change  
September 7: College Closed for Labour Day  
September 14 & 15: STM onsite for OPUS Cards  
September 21: Course Delete & College Withdrawal Deadline  
September 22-28: Confirmation of College Attendance  
September 23: Parents' Night

**WELCOME AND WELCOME BACK TO OUR NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS** – On behalf of all the staff at Vanier College, Student Services wishes you a great semester. Remember to read the Vanier This Week bulletin each week and your Student Agenda every day. If you have any questions, drop by the Student Services office (room C203).

**RELIGIOUS HOLY DAYS** - I would like to inform the students of the College's policy and procedures regarding religious holy days. The only holidays formally recognized by Vanier's Academic Calendar are those set by law or by the collective agreements and which impact on faculty, students and staff. These days include Labour Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, etc. On other religious holy days, the College functions normally and classes take place as usual. Students who are absent for religious reasons should not suffer a penalty related only to their absence; however, they are responsible for the material covered in the classes and labs which they miss, as they would be for other absences.

Students should notify their teachers in writing within the first week of classes of the particular date(s), time(s) and name(s) of the religious holy day(s) on which they will be absent, and discuss how they will make up for the absence.

*John McMahon, Academic Dean*

**NO EATING POLICY - LIBRARY & THE MATH AND SCIENCE CENTRE**  
Please be advised, The Vanier College Library & The Math and Science Centre will be enforcing their No Eating Policy this semester. Students found eating there will be subject to fines (\$25 for a first offence - \$50 for any subsequent offence). Only bottled water will be permitted. This policy is designed to protect the library's collection and equipment from damage.

**H1N1** – Keep yourself informed! Check out H1N1 Update on the Vanier College homepage. This site will be kept up-to-date as changes occur. Please consult it regularly.

### STM STUDENT BUS PASS DAY



September 14 & 15 only – 8:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Auditorium – A103

All full-time students (16-25 years of age, resident of Montreal) may be eligible for the reduced-fare bus pass (OPUS). The new cards will be in effect as of October 31, 2009. For more information regarding eligibility and requirements to apply, please come to Student Services, Room C203.

## ACADEMIC

**LAST SEMESTER'S SCULPTURE & CLAY WORKSHOP STUDENTS** – All work from last term's workshop given by Jeanne Masterson must be picked up by Friday, September 11 or it will be thrown out.

**UNIVERSITY VISIT** – McGill University will be visiting Vanier on Wednesday, October 14th from 12-2pm in the Carrefour. This is a great opportunity to ask questions about their programs and admission requirements.

**UNIVERSITY VISIT** – Several Ontario Universities and the University of British Columbia will be at Vanier on Wednesday, October 21st from 12-2pm in the Student Mall. This is their only visit this year.

**UNIVERSITY VISIT** – The University of Toronto will be coming to Vanier on Wednesday, November 11th from 12:30-2pm in the Carrefour.

## SERVICES FOR STUDENTS



### WELCOME WEEK

Student Services would like all students to come and enjoy our Welcome Week festivities. The fun kicks off on Monday, August 31st and wraps up on Friday, September 4th. See below for a list of scheduled activities:

**MONDAY, AUGUST 31:** Want to learn about the services available to you? How to enhance your college transcript before applying for university? How to get involved in college life? How to get some counselling when you need it? Come learn about the STAR Program, Counselling Services, and C.O.R.E. in the Metro area from 1-3pm.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1:** International Education and Student Services present a multicultural event where you can learn about opportunities to experience life abroad, showcase your translation skills, and view a slideshow of a recent trip to Malawi. Come join us in the Metro from 12-2pm.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2:** Join us on the college's front lawn at 12:30pm during Universal Break for our annual Corn Roast! Drop by for some free corn, music, and meet up with some new and old friends!

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3:** Want a portrait of you and your friends? How about a temporary tattoo? We'll have a caricature artist and a temporary tattoo artist available for students in the Student Mall from 11am-2pm. Join in on the fun!

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4:** TBA

### WORD OF THE DAY: PELLUCID

a) obscure b) shining c) transparent

She peered down at the pellucid waters.

### BRAIN BUSTER:

What comes once in a minute, twice in a moment, but never in a thousand years?

### STUDY HINTS:

Plan ahead - use your agenda or a study schedule to organize your time. Set specific times for assignments and study periods, and stick to them.

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"A goal properly set is halfway reached." - Zig Ziglar

**LOCKERS** – *Where?* Lockers will be distributed in room C-204. *When?* You can get your locker assigned from 9:30am-4pm from Monday, August 24 to Friday, September 4. *How?* In order to be assigned your locker, you must have already paid the \$10 lock rental fee. This can be done via Omnivox online by clicking on My Vanier Online, then on 'Request a Locker'. This will issue a \$10 fee to your Omnivox account, which you can pay after clicking on 'Fee Payment'. The last step is bringing a copy of your schedule and preferably, your receipt, to C-204 to be assigned your locker. NO CASH OR IN-PERSON PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

**C.O.R.E.** – Are you an energetic student with great ideas for improving student life on campus? Do you enjoy helping others? Do you want to make new friends? If you answered yes to all of these questions, then CORE is the club for you! We invite you to join this dynamic team of students that contribute to student life at Vanier. Our first meeting will be Wednesday, September 9 during Universal Break (12:30-2:00pm) in Room C202. Sign up in Student Services (C203) today!

**STUDENT AGENDA** – All students can pick up an A09/H10 student agenda from Student Services (C-203). For new students who did not get their agenda on their College Prep Day, bring in your acceptance letter and we will give you your free agenda. For returning students, the cost of the agenda is \$8. Please bring exact change! CASH ONLY.

**STUDENT ID CARDS** – All students MUST have a validated Student ID Card in order to be permitted on campus and to use college resources such as the Library, IT Centre, and the like. Please go to the IT Centre (D-301) to take care of this within the first two weeks of school. New students will have a photo taken and receive their new card on the spot. Returning students MUST get their ID cards validated; a staff member will put an A09 sticker on your card.

## SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

**FREE ENGLISH PEER TUTORING** is available for students who have concerns about writing an essay, reading a textbook and/or making oral presentations. If you would like more information about the peer tutoring program, please see Joanne in The Learning Centre, B205.



### EDUCATION FOR ALL – STUDY TRIP 2009

In the summer 2009, 7 Vanier students were part of a study trip focusing on the need for universal primary education in sub-Saharan Africa. Visit our website, click on "Education for All" and see pictures of their life changing experience. [www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/international-education](http://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/international-education)

### INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION OFFICE

If you have plans to study abroad, we can help! Come and see us and let us assist you in reaching this goal. For more information, visit our website: [www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/international-education](http://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/international-education) or come to our office in B228-B.

**INTRAMURALS** – Interested in being active while having fun? Sign up to play Intramural Cosom Hockey, 4 on 4 Volleyball, Badminton, Table Tennis, Racquetball. Sign up deadline is Friday, September 4th. See Helena in the Sports Complex, room G-134, for more information or to pick up a sign-up sheet.

**SPORTS CLUBS** – Interested in joining the Swim Club, Cheerleading Club or competing Cross-Country Running? Drop by the Sports Complex-room G-134, see Helena Bastos.

### WHITE TIGER SELF DEFENSE FOR WOMEN

Sept. 29 & Oct. 6 & 13 \*6:00pm-8:00pm\* G157

\$35.00/Students\*\$60.00/Staff, Friends & Family



Attention Ladies!! Sign up for these classes and learn physical & non-physical techniques to protect yourself. The White Tiger group is a world renowned organization that has empowered thousands of girls and women across the world to recognize a potential assault and how to protect themselves in the event of an assault. These three sessions, culminating with a defense against a padded aggressor, are sure to empower you, your friends and family. For more information or to register, please come to C203 and see Dany. Space is limited, so please register early. **THIS COURSE COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE!**

**ALVYN POWELL & THE SAVING STATION FOUNDATION** – Student Services invite you to meet a truly inspirational speaker on September 23rd in the Auditorium during UB. Mr. Powell was a former NFL lineman (Miami Dolphins &

Seattle Seahawks) who had fallen prey to the disease of addiction. Now recovered, he tells the story of how drugs ruined his NFL career, his life and brought him to the brink of death. He has turned his life around and is now working to help others quit the habit and prevent others from ever beginning the downward spiral. **THIS FREE EVENT IS NOT TO BE MISSED!**

**COMMUNITY RESOURCES & VOLUNTEER FAIR** – This event will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 16th during UB in the Student Mall. Are you looking to complete your service education (volunteer) hours for a course requirement or for your university application? Do you enjoy helping those in your community? Would you like a chance to volunteer in a profession that you may want to enter in the future? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then this fair is definitely for you! Come by and meet the various organizations (external & internal) who can help you fulfill yourself and aid your community.

## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Students interested in receiving **SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION** can visit Joshua Berman in The Learning Centre (B-205F) for more details. There are numerous scholarships available throughout the academic year. For more details on specific scholarships, see <http://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/scholarships/index.html>

## VCSA

**WWW.VCSA.CA** – Make sure to check out Vanier College Student Association's website for info about your student government & all of its upcoming events – [www.vcsa.ca](http://www.vcsa.ca).

**SPC CARD** – Are you ready to shop???? Don't do it before you pass by the VCSA Office (Room C214) and pick up your SPC Card for \$8.50. This card will get you loads of deals...

**VIRGIN MOVIE IN THE PARK – VCSA** welcomes you back with a Virgin Movie in the Park on Wednesday, September 2nd at the Sports Complex. Bring your lawn chairs & blankets and get ready for X-MEN. The free food starts at 6pm and the movie will get going when it gets dark...

**GET INVOLVED!!!** Looking to get involved with your student government? Come by C214 and get some info. We're always looking for new people.

**CLUBS** - Looking to start a club on campus? Pick up your info package at the VCSA- Room C-214...

**LIKE TO TRAVEL?** Come by the VCSA and see where we're going... We're always on the move and going somewhere!

## GREAT PART-TIME JOBS FOR STUDENTS

Looking for work? **Future Shop** is hiring and will be here Wednesday September 9, 10am-2pm, in the F-building CARREFOUR. - Employment Development Office.

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



Emergencies, disasters, accidents, injuries and crisis situations can occur at any time and without warning. The best preventive and safety program will not eliminate the possibility of fire, life threatening injuries or other serious threats on College premises. When such crises do develop, the protection of persons and their property requires immediate and appropriate actions. Therefore, it is the responsibility of all members of the College Community to be aware of and to follow the emergency procedures established by the College.

### General Evacuation Procedure

#### AT THE LOUD CONTINUOUS SOUND OF THE ALARM BELLS

1. Stay calm, do not panic.
2. Leave the building immediately by the nearest exit and alert others to do the same. Take your valuables and close all windows and doors.  
**WALK – DO NOT RUN.**
3. Do not use elevator.
4. Treat all alarms as if they are real. Failing to leave the building during an alarm is a serious offence. You may be endangering not only yourself, but those who may be looking for you (firemen, etc.).
5. Follow the instructions of the Security Agent or Emergency Team Member.
6. Once outside, proceed to a clear area that is at least 70 meters (200 feet) away from the affected building.
7. Keep roads, exit routes, hydrants and walkways clear for Emergency Team vehicles use.

8. Do not re-enter the evacuated building unless told to do so by a Security Agent or an Emergency Team Member.
9. Unless in imminent danger, do not attempt to carry any injured or disabled person out of the building. Contact the nearest Security Agent or Emergency Team Member and advise them of the problem.
10. Wait for further instructions from the Security Agent or Emergency Team Member.

In the event of a general evacuation we ask all faculty and staff not assigned to a specific task to be part of the volunteer Building Sweep Team.

- Ask everybody in the classroom or office to leave the building immediately.
- Close all windows and doors.
- Ask everyone else in the classroom, office or bathroom on your floor of your building to leave immediately.
- Leave the building immediately.
- Report any problems to an Emergency Team Member (red and yellow arm-band) or a security agent.

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Security Services, Parking & Printing (B121)