# Sherwood Heights Junior High School

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## Administration Message

Our school year is nearing the end, and it has been an enjoyable year working with all of our students. They are beginning to show their enthusiasm for the upcoming summer holiday, while focusing on the remaining classes and exams.

Our PAT and Final Exams will be written during the last week of June, a schedule for study sessions and exams is posted on our website, as well at the end of this newsletter.

On behalf of the staff, we wish all of our grade 9 students success in high school. Hope everyone has a safe and happy summer holiday!

### Locker Cleanout and Lock Return

Our students will be removing all materials and supplies from their lockers with the exception of textbooks and binders by Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Students are encouraged to bring items home prior to the locker cleanout we will be having on Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> during period 6. Please remind students to bring a bag to carry belongings home on this day.

Students will be allowed to leave binders and textbooks only, as they will have access to the locker during exam week until Wednesday, June 28<sup>th.</sup> Exams are completed for all students at 11:00am on this day. Students will be asked to hand all locks in to their homeroom teacher at this time. Students will be able to leave jackets and textbooks in the homeroom during the lunch hour, please do not bring valuables to school during this time.

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#### Upcoming Events

June 13- Athletic Awards 7:00pm

June 23- Locker Cleanout

June 23- Grade 9 Group Picture 1:45pm

June 23-29 PAT and Final Exams

June 29- Last day for students

June 30- School closed

August 30- First day for all students

## **Final Exams**

All final exams are to be written during the scheduled exam times. During the week of June 26-29, classes begin at the regular time of 8:40am. Exams are scheduled for the morning, starting at 9:00am. We require students to be in classes at regular time to go over the instructions for each exam. Students will be writing exams with their homeroom classes, and will be remaining in the exam room as a group until the end of the exam. Students are not allowed to have cell phones in the exam room, please bring a book to read if finished early.

### **School Supplies Donations**

Gently used backpacks can be donated to Ms. Sparrow in room 211. School supplies that can be reused may be donated to Mr. Koning in room 207. We will be donating to charities at the end of June.

# Final Exams and Study Sessions

Please see the exam schedule and study session schedule below. After the completion of each exam, all students will be handing in the textbook for the course that was completed with the exam. Students will be given a break after all textbooks have been handed in. After this break, study sessions will be offered. Students may choose to attend Math, Science, LA, SS, and PE sessions. Students can attend a subject session as many times as needed, and are asked to stay in the session attended until the bell indicates the session is over. If the PE sessions are full, we will direct repeat students into a core area. We will be recording attendance at each session. Upon completion of the exams and textbook return, all students are expected to attend sessions. The office will not be available to students using the phone to call home. Lunch break follows our regular bell schedule. If there are appointments please call the office prior to the appointment. We will not be releasing students without prior notifications. If you are at the school to pick-up your student, please check into the office when doing so. Thanks for your cooperation.

Date	Grade 9 PAT	Grade 8 Final	Grade 7 Final		
Friday, June 23	French Language Arts Part B	French Language Arts	French Language Arts		
Friday, June 23	Locker cleanout during period 6. All materials except textbooks and binders are to be taken home by students at this time.				
Monday, June 26	Social	English Language Arts	Science		
Tuesday, June 27	English Language Arts Part B	Social	Math		
Wednesday, June 28	Math	Science	English Language Arts		
Thursday, June 29	Science	Math	Social		

Mon June 26	LA Rooms	LA Review Teachers	Math Rooms	Math Review Teachers	Science Rooms	Science Review Teachers	Social Rooms	Social Review Teachers	Phys Ed- Start in gym
11:10-11:45	205,206,208	Dach/Koning/Shacker/Fleck	111,209,215	Hui/Mekechuk/Sparrow	105,106,204	Gottstein/Hall/Provencher	108,112,207	Basisty/Nally/Percy	Gieringer/Olsen/Oszip
11:45-12:21	205,206,208	Koning/Staub/Malec	111,209,215	Mekechuk/Sparrow/Verrier	105,106,204	Bouwers/Foley/Hall	108,112,207	Nally/Blonski/Uniat	Olsen/Oszip
1:14-2:07	205,206,208	Shacker/Hauca/Dach	111,209,215	Sparrow/Verrier/Hui	105,106,204	Hall/Provencher/Bouwers	108,112,207	Percy/Uniat/Basisty	Oszip/Gieringer
2:07-3:00	205,206,208	Dach/Koning/Shacker	111,209,215	Verrier/Hui/Mekechuk	105,106,204	Provencher/Bouwers/Foley	108,112,207	Uniat/Basisty/Nally	Gieringer/Olsen
Tue June 27									
11:10-11:45	205,206,208	Koning/Staub/Fleck/Keeler	111,209,215	Mekechuk/Sparrow/Verrier	105,106,204	Bouwers/Foley/Hall	108,112,207	Nally/Blonski/Uniat	Gieringer/Olsen/Oszip
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Wed June 28									
11:25-12:21	205,206,208	Dach/Koning/Shacker	111,209,215	Hui/Sparrow/Mekechuk	105,106,204	Hall/Bouwers	108,112,207	Basisty/Nally	Olsen
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## Athletic Awards

Please join us for Athletic Awards Night on Tuesday, June 13th to celebrate our 2016-2017 athletes. All students who represented Sherwood Heights on a school team this year are invited to attend along with their coaches, and parents or guardians. All of our athletes will be called up and recognized on stage to acknowledge their commitment to our Athletics program. Individual team awards will be presented at this time. The event begins at 7:00 pm in the school gym. We hope you will be able to share in this special event with us.

# **Digital Toolkit for Parents**

During the months of February, March, and April our Sherwood Heights staff shared information with our students on Digital Etiquette, Digital Health and Wellness, and Digital Rights and Responsibilities. We covered these main points with Digital Etiquette:

- Basic rules you should follow when using technology
- Appropriate use: time and place in a classroom
- Treat others with courtesy and respect online
- Permission is needed to post pictures and/or video
- Social media is not a forum to post
  - Relationship issues
  - Personal opinions about your job
  - Financial information
  - Embarrassing photos
  - Phone number or address

We encourage you to discuss Digital Etiquette with your student. We have included a video from commonsensemedia.org, the topic is social media musts for teens and can be used as a conversation topic with your student. <u>https://www.commonsensemedia.org/videos/5-social-media-musts-for-teens</u>

Here are some common themes we hear from the students at school, and are passing along some information to help in your awareness with social media:

- Students can access their Instagram and snapchat accounts anywhere and at any time, they simply need to login and do not need to have the app on their device.
- It is beneficial to know your students username and password to their accounts to help monitor their usage.
- There are apps disguised as a calculator, they act as a vault and storage device. Many
  of these apps use a passcode that requires a sequence of numbers entered to access
  the vault. The icon may appear similar to the native app for the device, but can be
  recognized by searching online. Here is an information article related to calculator apps
  for parents to help recognize them. <u>https://useboomerang.com/2016/09/13/vault-apps-2/</u>

Please feel free to let us know if there are any topics you would like us to share with you in the next digital toolkit communication.

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# Student Transportation: 2017-18 registration is now open

Planning to use EIPS Student Transportation in the 2017-18 school year? If so, make sure to register your child as soon as possible.

Families currently using student transportation services have received their tentative route schedules and invoices. If you haven't, contact Student Transportation. All transportation fees are due by June 30, 2017. After that date, a late fee will be applied.

If you have any questions about registration, invoicing or accessing transportation for the 2017-18 school year, contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151 or email *st@eips.ca*.

*NOTE:* Student Transportation will remain open during the summer months and operate during the same hours as Central Office. Student Transportation can't accept in-person transportation payments on the days it's closed.

# Summer Hours at Elk Island Public Schools

Throughout the summer break, Sherwood Heights will be closed and will reopen on August 24, 2017 at 8:30am until 3:00pm. If you have any school-related questions or concerns during this time, contact the Central Office at Elk Island Public School—the office is open all summer to complete year-end activities and prepare for the 2017-18 school year.

# EIPS Central Office Summer Hours (July and August)

Open: Monday to Friday; 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Phone: 780-464-3477 Address: 683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park

# **Statutory Holidays**

Closed	Monday, July 3	Canada Day
Closed	Monday, August 7	Heritage Day

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# Tools for Schools

Sherwood Heights has once again partnered with the United Way for the 2017-18 Tools for School campaign. Annually, Tools for School provides backpacks and school supplies to students in kindergarten through Grade 12 whose families have limited resources.

If you're a parent, or know a parent, who needs access to the program, contact our school directly. We'll respectfully distribute the backpack to your child at the beginning of the 2017-18 school year.

Alternatively, if you'd like to donate to the program, you can pick up few extra supplies when you're out shopping for back to school. Drop-off boxes are located at various businesses in the community during the summer months—including Staples and the Central Office at Elk Island Public Schools. All supplies donated within our community are invested back into in our region.

For more information about Tools for School, contact Colleen Sims at 780-467-5930 or call our Central Office at 780-464-3477.

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