Sherwood Heights Junior High School

www.sherwoodheights.org

Principals Message

On Friday, April 6th, 2018, our nation was notified of a terrible tragedy. On Thursday, April 12, our school community will be joining those across Canada, to wear sports jerseys, or green and gold, to honour every one of those affected in the Humboldt Broncos bus crash tragedy. We are collecting donations on behalf of the school, and will be forwarding the donations to the GoFundMe campaign for the Humboldt Broncos.

In times of difficulty, students can be impacted in many ways. If your son or daughter is struggling with the difficult emotions around this tragedy, we encourage them to come speak with Mr. Woitas, our counsellor.

Registration Information

We are currently registering students for courses for the 2018/2019 school year. Registration forms have been sent home with students in grade 7 and 8, please sign and return the form to the office by Friday, April 13. Students will be entering their course requests from the returned sheets into PowerSchool from April 16-18 in our computer lab with their homeroom classes. Students that do not hand in a form by April 13 will still be asked to get signed confirmation from a parent/guardian. If you require another copy of the registration form, please contact the office. Our course handbook is on the homepage of our www.sherwoodheights.org website.

Application forms for the Academic Excellence program in grades 8 and 9 are available for students in the office. Information about the program is available on the form, and signed applications are also due to the office by the end of the day on April 13. If you require a copy, please contact the office.

Upcoming Events

April 27 No School Professional Learning Day

May 1 Track and Field Meet All students meet at Sherwood Heights for busing (permission form required)

May 2 Early Dismissal Day

May 8 English LA 9 Part A PAT

May 10 French Language Arts Part A PAT (French Immersion only)

Grade 9 English Language Arts and French Language Arts Part A Provincial Achievement Tests

Our grade 9 students will be writing their Part A provincial achievement tests in May. The English Language Arts PAT examination is scheduled for the morning of **Tuesday**, May 8th. The English exam is for all of our arade 9 students, including French Immersion. Only our French Immersion students will be writing the FLA Part A examination on Thursday, May 10th in the morning. Please see the final exam schedule for all courses at the end of our newsletter.

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Track Meet

Our annual track meet will be held on Tuesday, May 1st, at Strathcona Athletic Park. We will be busing all 550 students to and from the track, and our regular school start and dismissal times will apply. We will be taking attendance at Sherwood Heights when the morning bell goes to start period 1 at 8:40am.

On the morning of May 1st, all students will meet their homeroom teacher for attendance in the gym at Sherwood Heights no later than 8:40am. Attendance is taken again at the end of the day by homeroom teachers, this time in the soccer field in the middle of the track at SAP. Students will then board buses back to Sherwood Heights where they will be dismissed once the final bell rings.

Lunch time: The track event will be considered a closed campus event, this means that students will not be able to leave the track area during the day. They can bring a lunch, or buy from the concession at the field. Students that live close by will not be able to go home for lunch.

A field trip form was sent home on **Wednesday**, **April 11th** with details of the day, and transportation arrangements. All forms are to be completed and please hand in to the office by **Wednesday**, **April 18th**. We will send a synrevoice communication to parents on the morning of the track meet in the event of a cancellation due to inclement weather or field closure.

Our students look forward to this yearly event, and we hope the sun is shining for an enjoyable day. The track meet is part of our curricular outcomes for physical education, and all students are required to participate. Students should be reminded to bring lunch, water, sunscreen, hats, and appropriate clothing for the weather.

Our school office will have a staff member answering the phone and any situations requiring immediate attention should be directed to the school at 780-467-5930. Our school office staff will contact the on-site coordinator immediately if needed.

A big THANK YOU to all of our volunteers

On behalf of the Board of Trustees at Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS), thank you to all of our volunteers within the Division who help make our schools and programs successful. Whether it's assisting at an athletic competition, coordinating a fundraising initiative or helping at a school event, the impact you make within our school community is profound. Together, we've built a positive relationships that has allowed us to rally behind one clear vision: Provide exceptional education for all students.

In recognition of National Volunteer Week, which runs April 15-21, EIPS extends a heartfelt thanks and celebrates the hundreds of volunteers across EIPS who dedicate countless hours of their time in our schools.

Trina Boymook Chair, Board of Trustees

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All days have a regular school start time of 8:40am

All exams start at 9:00am

Further communication will be sent later in May that will include information about review sessions and the daily bell schedule changes due to exams. The last day of school for students is Thursday, June 28th. **Students that are not writing the PAT exams will be required to write a final assessment for their respective course.**

Date	Grade 9 PATs	Grade 8 Finals	Grade 7 Finals
Tuesday, May 8	English Language Arts Part A		
Thursday, May 10	French Language Arts Part A		
Friday, June 22	French LA Part B	French LA	French LA
Monday, June 25	Social Studies	Language Arts	Science
Tuesday, June 26	English LA Part B	Social Studies	Math
Wednesday, June 27	Mathematics	Science	Language Arts
Thursday, June 28	Science	Math	Social Studies

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