

Sherwood Heights Junior High School

780-467-5930

www.sherwoodheights.org

Administration Message

On behalf of the school staff we would like to welcome you to Sherwood Heights Junior High for the 2016/17 school year. We are very proud of our school and the excellent programs we offer to our students. We have an exceptional staff and are looking forward to a successful year.

September is an exciting time for all of us. We encourage our school community to be involved in their student's education, and wish all of our students success and a great start to the year.

Principal- Mr. Weylin Gilewich

Assistant Principal- Mr. Matt Shudra

Assistant Principal/ Counsellor- Mr. Rod Woitas

Meet the Teacher Night

Please join us Thursday, September 22 from 6:30 – 8:00pm for Meet the Teacher Night. The format is an open house event to tour the school and visit your teachers. Looking forward to seeing you then.

Upcoming Events

September 7

Early Dismissal – 2:00pm

September 7

School photo day

September 22

Meet the Teacher 6:30-8:00pm

September 30

Cougar Run

Athletics

August 30

Senior Girls Vball tryout 3-5pm

August 31

Senior Boys Vball tryout 3-5pm

Senior Girls Vball tryout 5-7pm

September 1

Senior Girls Vball tryout 3-5pm

September 2

Senior Boys Vball tryout 7-8:15am

Senior Girls Vball tryout 3-5pm

September 9

Cross Country/ Run Club 3:15pm

Run club will continue to run Mon/Wed/Fri until the season is over.

Junior Volleyball Tryout dates will be announced soon!

Course Changes

We will be reviewing option course request changes with students starting on Wednesday, August 31 in the library at 12:45pm. Students will request the changes with an administrator in the library and will bring home a form for a parent/guardian to sign. We will try to accommodate all requests, please recognize there may be limited movement available due to timetable placement of courses.

Bus Video Monitoring

All Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) buses are equipped with video surveillance equipment. The equipment helps to ensure the safety of all students, drivers and property; to deter destructive acts and is in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIP). The video surveillance equipment records and stores several days' worth of data. Both video and audio recordings are regularly reviewed by EIPS Student Transportation to help monitor student and driver conduct, and may be used as evidence in a disciplinary matter.

2016-2017

Daily Bell Schedule

	REGULAR DAY	EARLY DISMISSAL
Warning Bell	8:35 AM	8:35 AM
1	8:40 - 9:33	8:40 - 9:24
2	9:33 - 10:26	9:24 - 10:08
Break	10:26 - 10:35	10:08 - 10:17
3	10:35 - 11:28	10:17 - 11:01
4	11:28 - 12:21	11:01 - 11:45
Noon Hour**	12:21 - 1:14	11:45 - 12:32
Eat in Rooms	12:21 - 12:40	11:45 - 12:04
Warning Bell	1:09 PM	12:27 PM
5	1:14 - 2:07	12:32 - 1:16
6	2:07 - 3:00	1:16 - 2:00

** Times students may access lockers & vending machines other than before and after school

Meet our Staff

Mrs. Atchison	Teacher
Mr. Basisty	Teacher
Mrs. Blonski	Teacher
Mr. Bouwers	Teacher
Mrs. Braun	Secretary
Mrs. Carter	EA
Mrs. Dach	Teacher
Mrs. Duignan	EA
Ms. Fleck	Teacher
Mr. Foley	Teacher
Mr. Gieringer	Teacher
Mr. Gottstein	Teacher
Mr. Hall	Teacher
Mrs. Hauca	Teacher
Mr. Hui	Teacher
Ms. Keeler	Teacher
Mrs. Kirkby	EA
Mr. Koning	Teacher
Ms. Lloyd	Library Tech
Mrs. MacIsaac	EA
Ms. Malec	Teacher
Ms. Mekechuk	Teacher
Ms. Nally	Teacher
Mrs. Noppers	Business Mgr.

More Important News

Quick Facts: Student Transportation continued

For more information about the collection, use, and disclosure of personal information, please contact the EIPS FOIP coordinator at 780-417-8266.

New to Elk Island Public Schools:

Tools to enhance literacy and numeracy

As part Elk Island Public Schools' (EIPS) ongoing efforts to enhance the literacy and numeracy of students in all grade levels, the Division is introducing two new assessment tools during the 2016–2017 school year—STAR 360 and Math Intervention/Programming Instrument (MIPI). The assessments focus on literacy and numeracy, are digitally based and offer an opportunity for students to show their learning in ways not possible with paper-based tests. The goal is to provide timely information to teachers, help enhance classroom instruction and ensure all student learning needs are identified. In September and May, EIPS students in grades 2 through 12 will complete the STAR 360 assessment, which evaluates reading comprehension. Grade 1 students will take the STAR 360 exam in February. The assessment takes approximately 20 minutes and can be taken on any digital device. Also in September, students in grades 2 through 10 will take the MIPI assessment, which is a mathematic screening tool used to inform teachers about a student's math skills. For students in grades 7 through 10, the MIPI takes approximately 50 minutes to complete and for students in grades 2 through 6 it takes approximately 20 minutes. The results of each assessment give the teacher a clearer picture of a student's learning needs and help determine if any subsequent instructional planning is needed.

It's important to note, the results of the assessments will not be used towards a student's grade and there is no need to study ahead of time. The assessment

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Ms. Oszip	Teacher
Mr. Percy	Teacher
Ms. Provencher	Teacher
Mrs. Ryan	EA
Mrs. Shacker	Teacher
Mrs. Shiloff	Lunch Supervisor
Mrs. Sims	Secretary
Ms. Sparrow	Teacher
Mrs. Stone	Secretary
Mr. Uniat	Teacher
Mr. Verrier	Teacher
Mrs. Wert	EA

Absence Reporting

Phones are answered by office staff daily between the hours of 8:00am and 3:45pm. If you are calling outside of these times, our automated answering machine will accept messages for reporting future absences and appointments. The school contact number is 780-467-5930. We encourage you to call in advance to report absences. Thank you.

Tools to enhance literacy continued

tools simply provide information to the teacher so he or she can better understand where each student is in terms of reading comprehension and mathematic ability. If, after analyzing the results, it's determined a student can benefit from extra support, the teacher will contact the parent or guardian to discuss possible strategies to be used to better support students.

Should you require more information about the Division's STAR 360 and MIPI assessment tools, please contact Deb Barron, the director of Learning Supports, at 780-417-8160.

Improving Home-School Communication

To enhance communication between families and schools, Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) has created a manual entitled, "Communication Protocol for Schools." The manual provides a framework for communication between EIPS schools and its families, and includes a standard format, structure and sequence for regular and ongoing home-school communication within the Division. It also offers useful tools and resources schools can use when planning their communication efforts, such as face-to-face meetings, email, Synrevoice and social media. Additionally, the manual provides a process parents or guardians can use if they need to bring forward a question or concern.

Sherwood Heights Junior High encourages all our families to review the document. The "Communication Protocol for Schools" is available by visiting www.eips.ca/download/40981.

Literacy and Learning Day

The 14th annual Literacy and Learning Day Conference takes place on Oct. 22, 2016 at the Edmonton Expo Centre. The event is a fun-filled day for both parents and teachers, and includes various free workshops and keynote speakers. Participants are guaranteed to walk away with new strategies, tools and resources to support children as they grow and learn. The conference is free and everyone is welcome. For more information, or to register, visit www.literacyday.ca.

Updating Your PowerSchool Information

During the first week of school, families will receive a PowerSchool Correction Form for each student enrolled in Sherwood Heights. The form ensures the school has the most up-to-date information regarding each of its students. When you receive the form, please review it carefully and make sure all the information is correct. If any changes need to be made, please update the form and add any new details you think are necessary.

If you have any technical questions regarding PowerSchool, please contact the school office at 780-467-5930. Thank you for your assistance.

Sync the School Calendar to Your Personal Calendar

Did you know you can sync the school calendar to your own personal calendar? Just visit <http://sherwoodheights.org/about/calendar> and click on one of the following calendar options you want to subscribe to:

- Add to Google Calendar
- Subscribe to Calendar (Outlook)
- Download iCal

NOTE: Using a mobile device, these options are located above the calendar. Using a computer, these options are located below the calendar.

Once you click on the calendar option you want to subscribe to, simply follow the instructions that appear on your computer screen or mobile device. Within seconds, your personal calendar will contain all of Sherwood Heights important dates including holidays, school-closure dates, school activities and events, and more.

Pay School Fees Online

School fee information for the 2016–2017 school year will be available on the PowerSchool Parent Portal by Sept. 19, 2016. All fees are due within 30 days of being posted. To access your fee information, simply login to your PowerSchool Parent Portal account (<https://powerschool.eips.ca/public/home.html>) and click the tab entitled, "Student Fees." Once logged in, you will be able to view and pay fees online using Visa, MasterCard or INTERAC Online (if available from your financial institution).

Remember to regularly login to your PowerSchool Parent Portal throughout the year. Fees are often added to your child's account to cover the cost of various school activities including field trips, class projects, athletic-team fees, and more. Additionally, junior high and senior high fees can change as courses are added and deleted—the course change deadline is September 9, 2016.

For more information about school fees and payment deadlines visit www.eips.ca/schools/school-fees/acorn. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Shantel Noppers, Business Manager at Sherwood Heights Junior High, 780-467-5930.

Logos Society Fundraiser

Please fill in the order form below and return with payment to the school office. Thanks for your support.



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OUR APPLES

...are freshly hand picked and packed into a 15 lb box. We pick them, pack them, and deliver them all within a week. It's as fresh as it gets! Due to inclement weather, no Honey crisp variety is available for ordering this year.



ROYAL GALA 15lb Box

...crisp, sweet, and tree ripened to perfection! Royal Gala is a popular variety that's delicious to eat fresh & also they keep extremely well.

OKANAGAN BLEND 15lb Box

...leave it to us to choose 2 of the specialty Okanagan apple varieties for you. Open the box and enjoy the surprise!

Please complete the form below & return it to your school with cash or a cheque.

Order deadline is 12:00, September 11th.

Pick up is after school on Thursday, September 23rd.

Questions? Contact Rachel Milne at 780-974-6910 or email: Rachelmilne0@gmail.com

Name: _____ Phone: _____

* Email: _____ School: _____

Royal Gala Box: _____ x \$25 Okanagan Blend Box: _____ x \$25

Total: \$_____ Paid by: cash or cheque #_____

Cheques payable to the Elk Island Logos Society.

Pick up will be at your school, after 3:00 on **Thursday, September 23rd.**

* We will be **emailing** you if there are any changes to pick-up details.