October Newsletter

Sherwood Heights Junior High School

www.sherwoodheights.org

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

Conferences will be held in the gym at Sherwood Heights on Tuesday, November 1st and Thursday, November 3rd from 5:00-7:30pm. Students are encouraged to attend with their parents/guardians. The conferences will be an open format. If you are unable to attend, please feel free to contact the teachers. You can contact our teachers through email or a phone call to the school.

Grades are currently displayed on the PowerSchool parent portal, and will remain on until the end of the school year. The grades will change as staff enter summative and formative assessment information. Assessment plans for each course can be located on the main eteacher page for all teaching staff through our school website.

We will be hosting our annual book fair on the stage during the conferences. We encourage you to check it out!

Please note the following staff and their availability for the conferences:

Mrs. Hauca will be available on Tues, November 1st only.

Ms. Blonski will be available only 5:00-6:00pm on Tues, Nov 1st and from 5:00-7:30pm on Thurs, Nov 3rd.

Mr. Olsen will be available only 6:30-7:30pm both nights.

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Upcoming Events

Oct 31 Halloween Dance 1:15-3:00pm

Nov 1 P/S/T Conferences 5:00-7:30pm

Nov 2 Grade 9 Take Your Kid to Work Day- Consent forms required

Nov 3 P/S/T Conferences 5:00-7:30pm

Nov 1 & 3 Scholastic Book Fair during conferences

Nov 10 Remembrance Day Ceremony in the gym

Nov 11 – Nov 18 No School Fall Break

Nov 28 Interim Report Card available online through PowerSchool Parent Portal 3:00pm

Nov 29 School Council 7:00pm

Halloween Dance

We will be hosting a school dance during the afternoon on Monday, October 31st. Students will have the opportunity for alternate activities if they choose not to participate in the dance.

In planning for Halloween activities, students are reminded of the following:

- All costumes must be school appropriate
- Respectful themed costumes
- No masks or face coverings
- No weapon related accessories

Download the PowerSchool App

Did you know there is a PowerSchool app? Download PowerSchool Mobile today on your Apple or Android device to stay connected with similar information available on the PowerSchool website. The same app can be used by both parents and students. You'll have real-time access to attendance, upcoming assignments, grades and more. Sign-up for push notifications to stay up to date.

Links to download PowerSchool Mobile are available from the PowerSchool parent or student portals or directly from the App Store or Google Play. Use the Elk Island Public Schools district code, HXWF, and your PowerSchool portal username and password to login to the app. The first time you login, or if you haven't used the app in a while, it may take three to five minutes for the app to load completely as it accesses all of your data from the PowerSchool server.

More information, links to download the app and a copy of the PowerSchool Mobile app user guide are available at www.eips.ca.

Inclement Weather

With the winter season already here, we want to remind parents to dress children appropriately for the weather when getting ready for school or the bus. The weather often changes unexpectedly throughout the day, so please select suitable outerwear and ensure your child is prepared for changing conditions.

If inclement weather conditions occur, Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) will advise parents of any bus cancellations using various communications tools including: automated-telephone messages, alerts posted on www.eips.ca and school websites, Twitter, Facebook, local radio stations and on Versatrans My Stop. All morning bus cancellations will be posted on www.eips.ca by 6:30 a.m.

Decisions regarding bus cancellations are guided by EIPS administrative procedures that states: "school bus service may be suspended...[when] Environment Canada reports a temperature of -40 C." Other reasons for suspending or delaying school bus services include adverse weather and poor road conditions.

When school bus services are suspended, schools will remain open to students. EIPS believes parents have the right and responsibility to make choices for their children based on their beliefs and perceptions of safety during times of inclement weather.

For more information, contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151.

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Share your Thoughts on Alberta's Curriculum

What do you want to see in Alberta Education's new curriculum? Recently, the province launched a survey to find out exactly that.

As many of you know, Alberta Education is currently reviewing and updating its provincial curriculum for students in Kindergarten to Grade 12. The goal: To ensure all students receive the best possible education to meet 21st century needs.

Currently, the province is developing a new curriculum for the following subjects: arts, language arts, mathematics, social studies, sciences and wellness education. It's expected to take six years to fully implement. During this development, Alberta Education is exploring various opportunities to gather valued and meaningful feedback from all Albertans. Most recently, the province launched a fall 2016 online survey to help with decisions relating to the content for future curriculum.

There are two parts to the survey. Part A is about the general direction for the new curriculum and takes roughly five minutes to complete. Once finished, there is a Part B section that focuses on the strengths and gaps in the current curriculum. Part B is more detailed and will take anywhere between 15 minutes and 60 minutes to complete—depending on the number of subjects and grade-specific questions you choose to answer.

In addition, face-to-face engagement sessions are being hosted by the Alberta Regional Professional Development Consortia (ARPDC) from October 18 to November 18. These sessions allow parents and community members to meet and discuss the topics identified in the survey. In the Edmonton region, two sessions are being offer—on November 3 and November 10.

- http://erlc.ca/programs/details.php?id=6485
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TO TAKE THE SURVEY visit http://curriculumsurvey.alberta.ca

Survey closes Nov. 18, 2016

The survey and engagement sessions are two of many feedback opportunities the province plans to conduct. For more information on the provincial curriculum development, visit https://education.alberta.ca/curriculum-development/.

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Attendance Boundaries: New School in Davidson Creek

Planning has begun for the attendance boundaries of the new K-6 school in the Davidson Creek area. A key component of this process is understanding what is important to our families and community as we begin developing possible attendance boundary options for the new school. While we are gathering input from our families and the community, we'll also review population and demographic information and projected trends. As we look at the elementary attendance boundaries in the northeast quadrant of Sherwood Park, we'll also look at the junior high boundaries in the same area to determine where students of the new school will attend once they move to Grade 7.

We want to hear from you! Visit www.eips.ca starting November 4 to share your thoughts about what should be considered throughout the process. Your input will be used to help develop the elementary and junior high attendance-boundary options for the northeast quadrant of Sherwood Park that will eventually lead to the final proposed boundaries. The conversations will continue in the new year and we'll be asking for your feedback on the boundary options once developed. Your input is important throughout this process from start to finish, so we encourage you to get involved from the beginning.

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HURON ZIP-UP HOODIE VINTAGE NAVY OR BLACK



BELLA + CANVAS UNISEX T-SHIRT HEATHER GREY OR TRUE HEATHER ROYAL

RHODES PULL-OVER HOODIE VINTAGE NAVY OR BLACK



SWEAT PANTS
ELASTIC BOTTOM OR OPEN BOTTOM



CINCH BAG ROYAL BLUE



Sherwood Heights Student Apparel 2016



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Name:		Phone:			 							
Apparel Description	Decoration Description	Garment color	YL	YXL	XS	S	М	L	XL	2XL	Price	Total
UNISEX Bella & Canvas T-Shirt (3001C)	2 color print to chest	Deep Heather Grey										
		True Heather Royal									- Adult \$23	
Pull-Over Hoodie												
UNISEX Rhodes Pull-Over Hoodie (18205/58205)	1 color print to front 2 color print to back	Black									460	
		Vintage Navy									Unisex \$60	
LADIES Rhodes Pull-Over Hoodie (98205)	1 color print to front 2 color print to back	Black									- Ladies \$60	
		Vintage Navy										
Zip-Up Hoodie												
UNISEX Huron Zip-Up Hoodie (18119/58119)	1 color print to front 2 color print to back	Black									Unisex \$65	
		Vintage Navy										
LADIES Huron Zip-Up Hoodie (98119)	1 color print to front 2 color print to back	Black									Ladies \$65	
		Vintage Navy									Laules 303	
Sweat Pant (Open Bottom and	l Elastic Bottom)											
Sweat Pant – Open Bottom (596M/596B)	1 color print	Black									Adult \$35 Youth \$30	
Sweat Pant – Elastic Bottom (029M/973BR)	1 color print	Black									Adult \$35 Youth \$30	
Cinch Bag (B120)	2 color print	Royal Blue									OSFA \$15	

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