

### Wolverine Weekly October 4th 2024

Hello CCHS families,

Ms. Keon and I really enjoyed seeing our student body getting involved in student life this week. Clubs are starting up and many of our fall sports teams are in full swing. Now would be a great time to do an academic check in with your student, take a look at your parent portal and ask your student to sit down and show you their Google Classrooms for each course. Our next parent info session is tentatively set as, "How can I stay connected with my child's high school achievement? Google Classroom, ParentPortal, and the CCHS website demystified." The session will be October 15th from 6:30pm- 7pm in the cafeteria. We encourage you to bring your questions about how to support your child in their classes and how to access information to help you with this during this short session.

# Truth and Reconciliation Monday October 7th 11am CCHS Gym

CCHS will recognize Truth and Reconciliation on Monday October 7th at 11am in our main Gym. This week some of our students from Mini Thni, along with the Knowledge Keepers who support our Division, raised our tipi in recognition of Truth and Reconciliation. Parents are welcome to join us for our ceremony on October 7th and we ask that you sign in at the main office by 10:45am. We will welcome Eli Snow as our MC along with his drumming group. Some of our Indigenous students will be dancing to honor children and lives lost to residential schools, the sixties scoop and other colonial policies in Canada. We thank them for sharing this special ceremony with us. The theme this year for Truth and Reconciliation is "Taking Truth to Action". CCHS administration has worked with our Indigenous Services Coordinator and the Knowledge Keepers who work with our Division to make the following year long commitments to reconciliation:

- Recognize: Holding a meeting at the start of semester for Indigenous students with our Knowledge Keepers to empower them within our building and connect them to a source of support
- Teach: Indigenous Services Coordinator to attend School Based PD sessions on ½ day Friday to support staff with integrating Indigenous ways of doing, knowing and being with intentionality
- Recognize: Indigenous and non Indigenous student voice included in selecting titles

with Indigenous themes or relevance which will be added to our library

- Explore: Connecting with Knowledge Keepers before going out on the land for certain field trips
- Take Action: Create a video library of lyarhe Nakoda words that are shared with students via the daily announcements (Calls to Action 63 i)
- Learn and Understand by Exploring the history of trauma and residential schools through applying for the Witness Blanket for the 2025-2026 school year

# Awards Night and Awards Applications

A<u>n email</u> was sent out listing <u>all the Awards</u> students can apply for or be nominated for. Please review it carefully and if your child is eligible for any awards please have them fill out the Google Form that was in the email. For more information contact <u>cchs.info@crps.ca</u> We are grateful to the many organizations that donate financial awards to our students in a diverse range of areas each year. Please join us for our Awards Night November 12th at 7pm in the CCHS Theatre. If you know of a graduated student who did not receive the awards night applications please have them contact the email address above.

# CCHS Students speaking at national assessment conference

The Canadian Assessment for Learning Network is holding a conference for teachers and administrators this weekend in Canmore. Many of our CCHS teachers are attending Friday and Saturday. In addition, 6 students from CCHS were invited to be part of a panel to share their views on assessment for learning. These students were selected by CCHS administration and teachers and we are very grateful for all the time and effort they have put into preparing to speak to hundreds of teachers and administrators this afternoon at the conference.

# Major Scholarship Application Deadline Approaching

Applications are currently open for the 2025 cohort of <u>Loran Scholars</u> — and university-bound students from Alberta are currently significantly under-represented in our applicant pool. This year, 36 Loran Awards will be offered to university-bound students from across Canada who demonstrate strength of character, a deep commitment to service, and intrinsic leadership potential. Presently, there are 14 exceptional Loran Scholars who hail from Alberta. You can filter by home province—read about them <u>here</u>.

The only scholarship of its kind in Canada, the Loran Award offers a four-year leadership-enrichment program, financial support for undergrad, diverse opportunities for experiential learning, and a long-term supportive community of peers and mentors, renewable over four years of university undergraduate studies.

### Applications close Oct. 15 at 8 p.m. ET. Please apply online here.

Have a great week!

Ms. Preece, Principal

Ms. Keon, Assistant Principal