

Wolverine Weekly November 1st 2024

Ms. Keon and I were so happy to see the 'mountain' of food collected by our students during our We Scare Hunger campaign on October 31st. Thank you to all students who participated in this service project. It's wonderful to see you caring for and taking action to support your community. Thanks to Mr. Skinner and Ms. Timm for taking the lead on this project along with our Student Council representatives. Our Art teacher, Ms. Hill, has supported students in starting to curate their art in displays around the school. It is inspiring to see the variety of 2D and 3D work that students have created during their studies. Our Chemistry students are now becoming experienced chemists as they have been engaging in a number of labs recently. Ask your student in Chem 20/30 how some of the labs they have done recently have brought Chemistry to life for them. We wish our volleyball and football teams who are competing this weekend all the best. In addition our Jazz Band, led by Ms. G will be participating in the renowned Vic Lewis Festival this weekend. We look forward to meeting many families at our Parent, Teacher, Student conferences next week and we ask that students attend with their families as they learn to self advocate and take responsibility for their own learning.

Grade 9 Parent Session - Understanding Outcomes Based Assessment Grades in Parent Portal, Introduction of Research Partnership with U of C <u>November 5th 7pm - 8pm 2024</u> CCHS Theater.

CCHS will host a short parent information session on how to understand the grades in your **<u>GRADE 9</u>** student's ParentPortal in preparation for Parent, Teacher, Student Conferences. In addition we will provide information on and share the opportunity to participate and provide input about Outcomes Based Assessment via our partnership with the University of Calgary. Attending this session will help you better understand the information that will be shared with you during Parent, Teacher, Student Conferences.

Parent, Teacher, Student Conferences November 6th, 7th, 8th 2024 and Marks Update

Book here: <u>https://cchs.schoolappointments.com/</u> Online bookings close Nov 6th @ 1pm

Parent, Teacher, Student Conferences are one of the best ways to learn about your child's learning at CCHS. As students transition to adulthood it is key that they come to their own Conference with a parent or guardian as this is the first step to self advocacy and ownership of their learning. Wednesday November 6th - in person appointments 5-8 pm, Thursday

November 7th 5-8 pm - virtual or phone appointments, Friday November 8th 8:30 am - noon - in person, phone and hybrid appointments.

Remembrance Day ceremony - November 7th 11am 2024

CCHS staff and students will pause in our day on November 7th to reflect and remember at our Remembrance Day Ceremony. Parents are welcome to attend our ceremony in the Gym at 11am. Please sign in at the main office at 10:45am. We encourage donations for a poppy at our main office. Thanks to Mr. Vanderlee for spearheading and MCing this significant event.

Awards Night @ CCHS November 12th 7pm CCHS Theatre

We invite families and students to join us for our 'Parade of Honors' as we celebrate students who earned honors last academic year. We will also hand out awards and scholarships across the 4 A's on this night. Please contact <u>sarah.mackay@crps.ca</u> if you have questions about this evening.

Indigenous Students Post Secondary Dinner November 14th 5:30pm CCHS Cafeteria

We invite all our Indigenous students (grade 9-12) to bring their families to this Post Secondary event which will provide information specific to Indigenous students applying to post secondary institutions. There are many pathways available and this session will explain them all.

5:30-6:30 Knowledge Keeper prayer, blessing and welcome, Dinner and Booth time6:30 Panel with questions for each school7:30 Meet and Greet with families, students and Reps8:30 End of event

Questions? Contact <u>annabel.preece@crps.ca</u> Register to ensure we have a meal for you and your family. Contact <u>brendon.stewart@crps.ca</u>

ELAA - In Province Post Secondary Fair November 25th 2024

On November 25th from 1-3pm CCHS will host our "in province" post secondary fair (known as ELAA) in the gym. Parents are welcome to attend again. We suggest that you prepare with your child using the same materials provided to prepare for OOP. Mr. O is always available to support students beginning applications or reaching out to post secondary schools for more information. He can be contacted at <u>matt.onyschuk@crps.ca</u>

Grade 9 Career Exploration Program January 20-24th 2025

This program is a key part of how Canadian Rockies Public Schools helps our youngest high school students to begin to think about their future career in a hands-on, real world way. Students are offered a wide range of opportunities in workplaces across the Bow Valley in Lake

Louise, Banff, Canmore, Exshaw, Mini Thni and Kananaskis. We encourage parents of grade 9 students to talk to their student about the Grade 9 Career Exploration Program. Mr. Holthuis came to visit all grade 9 classes this week to share key information. In the letter below, you will find important details about the program as well as steps you can do to help your student become involved.

Parent Letter 2024-2025 Grade 9 Career Exploration Find out more by emailing <u>hans.holthuis@crps.ca</u>

Campus Saint-Jean, University of Alberta - For bilingual students or students who want to do a degree in which the language of instruction is French

Campus Saint-Jean offers \$3000 of scholarships for every student coming from an Immersion school and applying to Campus Saint Jean. Students don't need to apply for it, they will get it automatically. Students will also have access to more than \$500 000 of scholarships for all Campus Saint-Jean students, and they can apply now already. Find out more <u>HERE</u>

*Grade 9 French Immersion families - keep in mind that continuing your studies @ CCHS in FLA 10-1 in grade 10 will keep opportunities like this open to you. There are many universities in Canada in which the language of instruction is French. Continuing in our FLA 10-1, 20-1, 30-1 program can open up a wide range of studies in different faculties in your future.

Thompson Rivers University, Kamloops BC

TRU will be visiting CCHS on December 4th from 11:30-12:30. The representative will be able to accept registrations in person at NO COST <u>on that day</u>. Students should speak with Mr. O in student services to prepare the documents needed to apply on this day. Find out more <u>HERE</u>

Horatio Alger Association

The Horatio Alger Association provides \$1.8 million annually in need-based scholarship support for deserving students in all Canadian provinces and territories. Scholarships of up to \$25,000 are awarded to full-time grade 11 high school students with financial need (family income under \$65,000) who have demonstrated integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, a commitment to pursue a post-secondary education, a desire to contribute to society, and a good academic record. The Horatio Alger Association also awards individuals pursuing a certificate or diploma program through its Vocational and Technical scholarships of up to \$3,400. Find out how to apply <u>HERE</u>.

CRPS International Student Homestay Families Needed!

CRPS is currently looking for 6 new Homestay families in Banff, Canmore or Exshaw who can open their home to an international high school student (grade 10-12) from Feb-June 2025. Remuneration is provided at a rate of \$1300.00/month. You can go to our <u>Homestay Website</u>

for an overview of the program. Here is a direct link to our <u>Homestay Application</u>. Email homestay@crps.ca or call 403-609-6072 ext. 6220 for more information.

Breakfast by Donation

Over 200 students enjoy our 'breakfast by donation' each morning. As many of us have moved to 'cashless' finances our donation jar at breakfast is becoming obsolete. We are appealing to parents who know their students eat breakfast at school daily and who are financially able to make a donation to our breakfast program to do this through the 'donation' function on our school fees. We do apply for grants to cover the cost of daily breakfast but we are always grateful for donations to help us continue to offer a high level of quality and quantity. Thank you for considering this.

Dates for your Calendar

Nov 5th - 7pm Grade 9 parent info session - Understanding Outcomes Based Assessment in preparation for Parent, Teacher, Student conferences Nov. 6 5-8pm In Person Appointments, 7 5-8pm Phone or Virtual Appointments & 8 8:30-noon Both In person and phone/virtual appointments. Parent Teacher Conferences. Your child should attend with you to your appointment. Fri, Nov. 8 - NO SCHOOL for students Mon, Nov. 11 - NO SCHOOL (Remembrance Day) Tues, Nov. 12- Awards Night at 7 p.m.

Have a great week!

Ms. Preece, Principal

Ms. Keon, Assistant Principal