

WETASKIWIN COMPOSITE HIGH SCHOOL

December 10, 2018

WCHS NEWSLETTER

"WCHS...where teachers care that every student, every day, learns, grows and feels valued"

IMPORTANT DATES

DEC 24 - JAN 4: Christmas Break - No Classes

JAN 22: Last Day of Classes for Senior High

FEB 1: PD Day - No Classes

FEB 4: Semester 2 Begins

FEB 7-8: Teachers' Convention - No Classes

FEB 18: Family Day - No Classes

<u>EVENTS</u>

DEC 16: WCHS Music Christmas Concert

JAN 17: Student Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm

FEB 6: Grad Pictures

FEB 28: Grad Picture Retakes

<u>Click here for the</u> FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE from Mr. Denney

Dear Students and Parents,

Each December I like to take time to write a key message to our students and parents. As we approach the holidays, the staff at Wetaskiwin Composite High School would like to wish the very best to you and your families. With our Christmas break approaching, we can goodbye to 2018. This should also serve as a reminder that the sav semester for our students is quickly drawing to a close. When our first students return on January 7th from our Christmas break, many of our Grade 12's will be writing their first diploma exam only 5 school days later. It is important that your son/daughter returns from the Christmas break focused on the last few weeks of their courses. As many of you know, diploma exams and most school-based final exams are worth 30% of the student's grade. These examinations may dictate which university or college program a student may enter, or if a student is eligible to graduate. As a school, we recognize the importance of these exams and want to make sure we have done everything we possibly can to ensure that our students are in a position to be successful. Teachers are available during Directed Learning on Tuesdays and Thursdays, during our exam week, and even many times before and after class. Students, I cannot stress this enough. Please make sure to take advantage of the help that is available to you.

It is important that students do not leave their examination preparations until the week of exams. Over the next few weeks, our teachers, Learning Support Teachers, Success Coaches, and counsellors will be diligently working with students to make sure they are in a position to be successful in their courses. Parents, it is imperative that your children are attending school and they are engaged in their classes. If you have questions about your son or daughter's progress please do not hesitate to contact our teachers or administrators.

WCHS encourages students to use the Christmas break to make sure that all outstanding assignments are completed and you take the time to begin studying previous units. Enjoy the break and do take some time to be with friends and family, but when you return, be prepared to focus on your studies. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely, Kris Denney - Principal



STUDENT COUNCIL

Parent Council Meeting

The Next Parent Student Council Meeting will be held on January 17th @ 7:00 pm in the Learning Commons - All Parents Welcome -

12 Days of Christmas

Schedule of Events:

- Dec 4 Door Decorating (during Directed Learning)
- Dec 5 Locker Decorating
- Dec 6 PJ Day and Free Hot Chocolate (Bring Mug)
- Dec 10 Coat the Cold Clothing drive kick off
- Dec 11 Movie & Popcorn at lunch (\$1 popcorn)
- Dec 12 Bake Sale and Candy Grams selling
- Dec 13 Bake Sale and Candy Grams Part 2
- Dec 14 Ugly Sweater Day & \$1 Pictures with Santa
- Dec 17 Winter Feast holiday food at the cafeteria
- Dec 18 S'mores Sale &1
- Dec 19 Christmas Spirit Dress Up Day
- Dec 20 Candy Gram hand out (P1 t<mark>eacher</mark>s)
- Dec 21 Fancy Friday & \$1 pictures





WCHS SCHOOL NEWS

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GREEN & GOLD GETAWAY

Grade 11 Students Wanted... If you are a Gr. 11 student with commitment to good grades and looking for a weekend opportunity with expenses paid, take a look at this! The Green and Gold (U of A) getaway is an exclusive event open to Gr. 11 students across Alberta. Twenty lucky students will be selected to visit the North U of A Campus on May 11 and May 12. This will give you a firsthand experience to see if the U of A is the right fit for you! If selected, your experience will include: Accommodations, travel expense reimbursement and a whirlwind of exciting events both on campus and in Edmonton. More information is available on the <u>U of A Website</u> or visit Mrs. Klein in Student Services.



WCHS CODE

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Please use this code at our local Co-op! The Co-op School Equity Program allows our school to earn equity on both educational and personal purchases. Liquor and purchases under personal charge accounts are not eligible. Purchases will be calculated based on Wetaskiwin Co-op's fiscal year, November 1st – October 31st and 100% of the equity earned will be paid out to the school in early January. This type of fundraising initiative allows for greater donations back to the school and allows all schools to participate equally. For instance, if a school with 700 students had \$1000 of purchases per family for a total of \$700,000 in purchases, that school would receive \$14,000 cash back based on a 2% equity allocation. With the implementation of this program, the expectation is that both parties would participate in marketing and execution of this plan and any extra sponsorship requests from the schools will not be considered.



SHEDS FOR SALE



Support WCHS Construction Students by purchasing a shed or place an order to have one custom made. All sheds are shingled, sided and complete with soffits. Prices at \$30/sq ft.

The following are ready for immediate pick up:

- 1 8 x 8 Barn-style shed with wood siding
- 1 8 x 10 Lean-to-style shed with light grey vinyl siding
- 1 8 x10 Gable-style shed with off white vinyl siding

1 - 40" x 70" Gable-style insulated dog house with covered veranda porch painted medium grey

For more information, please contact Mr. Kelly Kijewski (kelly.kijewski@wrps11.ca)

WCHS SCHOOL NEWS continued ...



Students writing Diploma Exams in January will need to make sure they have their <u>MyPass Accounts</u> set up to view exam results

WCHS would like to welcome Jennifer Christie who is now working in our cosmetology program

DAY 1: 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS DOOR DECORATING



WCHS SCHOOL EVENTS



ARCHERY

Archery is going full steam with 63 archers participating. Competitions start in February 2019 with sign-ups starting now. We are continuing with fundraising for the necessary extra equipment needed. Find out how you can help! Thanks for all the support to make this such a huge success for our students!

- Mr. Kijewski

PIZZA FRIDAY!!

The Music Department is pleased to present Pizza Friday! It will be sold during the lunch hour and the cafeteria will **NOT** be open. This is to support the Music Ireland Trip Participants.

December 14th 1 Slice for \$3.00 / 2 Slices for \$5.00 Drinks \$1.00



CASH ONLY

WCHS CHRISTMAS EVENTS

WCHS Christmas Show – December 16th @ 2:00pm Full Gospel Church: located on Hwy 13

The WCHS Music Department presents a Christmas Extravaganza! Join us at the Full Gospel Church on December 16th at 2:00pm for a lovely afternoon filled with the sounds of Christmas. – No tickets required, cash donations will be accepted –



WCHS ATHLETICS

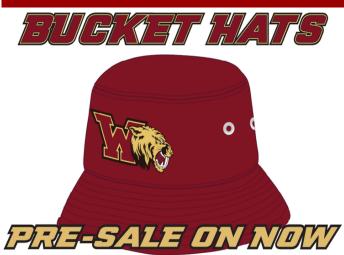
A Message from Coach Cross, WCHS Athletics Director

Basketball tryouts are completed and the season is underway. We anticipate a great season! Our coaches are as follows:

Sr. Boys: Mr. Cross Sr. Girls: Mr. Hebert JV Boys: Mr. Sorenson JV Girls: Mrs. Ilg Gr. 9 Boys: Ms. Orr & Ms. Bodnar Gr. 9 Girls: Ms. Singer & Mr. Jensen



GO SABRES!!!!



ORDER FORMS IN THE OFFICE OR SEE MR. HETLINGER IN ROOM #166 FOR DETAILS



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Sabres Pride Wear

WCHS is excited to offer Pride Wear for staff, students, friends and family on a year-round basis. <u>Click this link</u> and follow the directions!



STAY CONNECTED

Free WRPS Bus Status APP

Snow and icy conditions today serve as a great reminder about the Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools Bus Status app.

Enjoy the faster and more personalized version of our Bus Status App. Access through the <u>Web</u>, <u>iPhone</u>, and <u>Android</u>.

Push notification system lets you know about delays and cancellations when they are posted.

Important: Users must "star" buses you wish to receive push notifications for once they have upgraded.

Reminder to please call the school to report your child's absences!



STUDENT SERVICES CONTACTS

Grade 9 & 10

Vice Principal: Mr. DeMoneViLearning Support: Mrs. Bodnar/Mrs. GrahamLeCounsellor: Ms. BrandhamCoSuccess Coach: Mrs. LittlechildSuAdministrative Assistants: Mrs. Campbell & Mrs. Hill

Grade 10 & 11

Vice Principle: Mr. Willmott Learning Support: Mrs. McFarland Counsellors: Mrs. Klein & Ms. Werner Success Coach: Mr. Dick

connectEd

Access your child's marks & attendance online using <u>Maplewood ConnectEd</u>. Please call the office at 780-352-2295 for your username & password if you don't already have them.



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Phone: (780) 352-2295 Fax: (780) 352-7319 Pay for your child's school or extra circular fees online through <u>Rycor Solutions Student Quick</u> <u>Pay</u>.

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Form Submission

Web:Wetaskiwin Composite High SchoolWeb:Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools

<u>Click here</u> if you wish to contact teachers or administrators.

WRPS DIVISION NEWS

2019 - 2020 School Calendar Survey

WRPS would like your input into the 2019—2020 school calendar. Please complete the <u>survey here!</u>



