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[Welcome to February!](#)

The cold weather is upon us! Please ensure students are dressed appropriately with gloves, hats, warm footwear and winter jackets. Outside activities are not recommended when the temperature is -20 Celsius or colder including the wind-chill factor. In the event of an indoor recess due to severe weather temperatures, students will have alternative organized activities inside the school, supervised by teachers.

Teachers’ Convention is February 14 & 15, so there are no Thursday classes on February 14. Enjoy time with your loved ones on Valentine’s Day!

[Friday Activities for Semester 2](#)

- February 8th
- February 22nd
- March 8th
- April 5th
- April 26th

Message from Administration: Lunchroom Support

We want to continue offering a supervised lunchroom program for our students attending Windsor Park. Currently students have access to spaces inside the gym and on the stage for sitting during lunch as well as microwaves and a variety of supports to help make their lunch time enjoyable. All of this is only possible through the support of parent volunteers.

We have reached a critical point in the year where the unpredictable Calgary weather makes it very difficult for students to enjoy lunch outside.

Looking ahead at our lunchroom calendar, there are 20+ days where we have NO coverage from parents between now and June, including the entire month of March.

To allow supervising teachers opportunity to focus on safety and supervision, in the absence of a parent it will mean the following changes to the lunchroom on these days:

- tables or microwaves will NOT be available to students
- the stage will be closed, so ALL students will be asked to sit on the gym floor
- there will be no intramurals

Much of this requires set up and take down prior to and after the lunch break when teachers need to be in their classrooms with their students.

Parents are asked to sign up for one shift for EACH child registered in the program. If you have not yet scheduled your lunchroom shift(s), please contact our Lunchroom Coordinator as soon as possible at wplunchroom@gmail.com.

Education for Reconciliation: Assembling Strength

The Education for Reconciliation eCourse provides a learning pathway for all members of a school community to deepen their awareness and understanding of 'Foundational Knowledge' as it pertains to Alberta's Indigenous Peoples.

This eLearning opportunity is intended to help participants create shared understandings of the diverse First Nations, Métis, and Inuit culture and traditions, values and attitudes, and of historical and contemporary realities of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit people in Alberta.

<https://crcpd.ab.ca/program/3194>

This session is open for parents, teachers, support staff, and members of the community

Check D2L

A reminder to check the classroom teacher's D2L shell regularly via <https://d2l.cbe.ab.ca> for updates and online tools/resources that teachers are working to integrate into their shells.

Visible Learning for Mathematics

In this three part series, we will look at the book Visible Learning for Mathematics, Grades K-12: What Works Best to Optimize Student Learning.

The focus on this book study will be how to design high impact instruction with tangible results. As a community we will discuss the topics of study and incorporate the ideas into the design of your mathematics program at home.

Part I

Chapter 1: Make Learning Visible in Mathematics

Chapter 2: Making Learning Visible starts with Teacher Clarity

Chapter 3: Mathematical Tasks and Talk that Guide Learners

Date: February 13, 2019 | 10:00-11:30am

Visible Learning for Mathematics, Grade K-12: What Works Best to Optimize Student Learning
by John Hattie, Douglas Fisher, Nancy Grey, Linda M. Gojak, Sara Delano Moore and William Mellman

High School Registration for the 2019/20 school year

Hello grade 9 families,
It's February, which means it's time to start making decisions regarding high school! Here are the important things you need to do/be aware of in the next few weeks:

Registration for the 2019/20 school year is now Open!

Registration will remain open until September; however, our CBe-learn guidance counsellor recommends you get your registration/course selections in earlier-than-later 😊

1. If you are registering at your CBE designated school, give them a call. You can find their contact information [here](#).

2. If you plan on registering with a CBE school other than your designated CBE school:
 - Complete an [Application for Transfer](#) form and submit it to your requested school by **March 15, 2019**.
 - NOTE: This form must be signed by your *designated* school principal/assistant principal before you meet with your *requested* school. Give the school(s) a call prior to dropping in... booking an appointment ensures someone will be there to help you when you arrive! (Detailed instructions can be found on page 2 of the [Application for Transfer](#) form.)
 - Our CBe-learn guidance counsellor says it's a good idea to fill out option/course selection forms for your designated school, even if you're applying to another high school... just in case your requested school can't take you.

If you are still undecided about which high school to pick, what courses to take, or have other questions, here are a few helpful resources:

- [High School Planning form](#). This is a quick, one page planner to help sort out courses and credits.
- The CBE's high school planning guide, [Get Ready – Get Set – Go For It](#) has information on courses/programs offered by the CBE.
- You can find your CBE designated high school on this [map](#).
- More CBE high school information can be found [here](#).

I hope you have enjoyed checking out a few open houses this winter and are excited about the many programs CBE high schools have to offer! I'll touch base with you again in March. In the meantime, if you have any questions/concerns please let me know.

Kind regards,

Lisa Stuart
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[Grade 9 Celebration... Save the date!](#)

Thursday June 13th, 2019

The CBe-learn team (homeschooling and online) is organizing a special certificate ceremony for our Junior High students the evening of Thursday June 13th. In the past, parents have planned an event following the certificate ceremony to celebrate our incredible grade 9 community. These celebrations have always been a lovely opportunity for students and families to catch-up, say good-bye, and share the many stories & memories they have of their time here.

CBE Home Education IXL Account

Recently, IXL (Language arts and Math assessment tool) has made it more affordable for schools to purchase IXL accounts. As such, CBE Home Schooling has purchased 100 seats for the remainder of this and all of next school year (18 months). The IXL platform is primarily a practice site that is aligned with the Alberta Curriculum for k to 12, allowing students to see how they perform based on specific outcomes. It is not a full curriculum, nor is it a teaching site, but provides feedback on student skills.

We would like to offer seats to those families who will use the site regularly and would like to integrate it into their learning plan to track progress. If you are interested in a seat and am not currently using or familiar with IXL, we would ask you to request a trial account so you know what the site can do for you and your student.

If you know it will be a support you will use or decide this is a support you can use after the trial, please email Mr. Paul the following information to get access to the CBE Homeschooling Seats

- Student CBE ID number
- Student First and Last Name
- Parent Email Address
- Grade
- What subject you would like to use the system for (LA, MATH, BOTH)
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Once the request is received, Mr. Paul will set up the account and send you the log in details. Thank you for your time. Please only request a seat if you will use the site as CBE is paying for the site for this year and next.

Mr Paul

pbmarlett@cbe.ab.ca

Update from the CBE Home Education Lunchroom Coordinator

Parents are **URGENTLY** needed for lunchroom supervision. Please consider signing up for an **extra shift**. There are multiple ways to sign up, the calendar (in the front hall) or the lunchroom book (by the sign in sheets) is available anytime. Just pick a day that works for you and write down your name on the appropriate day. If you are unable to sign up in school, I would be happy to work with you over email to find a day that works best.

****Remember to sign in when you arrive for your shift. Carefully read the new lunchroom procedures in the volunteer sign in binder near the main office.****

Tuesday Families

Tuesday, February 5, 2019 –	Sheila MacMaster	and	Paula MacMaster
Tuesday, February 12, 2019 –	Lynette Nagel	and	Alissa King
Tuesday, February 19, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Wednesday, February 20, 2019 –	Amber Hanscomb	and	VACANT
Tuesday, February 26, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Tuesday, March 5, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Wednesday, March 6, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Tuesday, March 12, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Tuesday, March 19, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Wednesday, March 20, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT

Available dates for the remainder of the year

- April – 2, 10, 16, 24
- May – 7, 14, 21, 22, 28
- June – 5

There are 36 spots still available. Of those spots, 11 are for parents that still need to fulfill their required number of shifts and 25 are open shifts available to anyone able to help out. If you have the time, please consider taking on one of these extra shifts.

Thursday Families

Wednesday, February 6, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Thursday, February 7, 2019 –	Roxanne McCallum	and	VACANT
Wednesday, February 13, 2019 –	Melinda Felso	and	VACANT
Thursday, February 21, 2019 –	Angela Johnsen	and	VACANT
Wednesday, February 27, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Thursday, February 28, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Thursday, March 7, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Wednesday, March 13, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Thursday, March 14, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT
Thursday, March 21, 2019 –	VACANT	and	VACANT

Available dates for the remainder of the year

- April – 3, 4, 11, 17, 18, 25
- May – 1, 2, 9, 15, 16, 23, 29, 30
- June – 6

There are 41 spots still available. Of those spots, 25 are for parents that still need to fulfill their required number of shifts and 16 are open shifts available to anyone able to help out. If you have the time, please consider taking on one of these extra shifts.

Thank you to all our families for their continued support of the lunchroom program. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Holly Michalsky

Lunchroom Coordinator

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