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From the Principal's Office: (doucetr@lrsd.ab.ca)

A short update this week as we are now into final exams for our high school students. As we reported last week, exams will be worth 20% of the final grade. This decrease was proposed to alleviate some anxiety that students are facing due to COVID-19.

With teachers busy marking final exams and beginning their report cards, there is no teacher update in this week's weekly update. Look for a resumption of the teacher updates in the weekly update starting in two weeks.

As we begin a new semester, we have made some additional options available, this time targeting our grade 11s and 12s. We are pleased to offer Philosophy, Art, Physical Education, to name just a few. While the pandemic has impacted all programs, extracurricular activities have been the hardest hit. At this time, we do not have an ETA for their return.

Beginning next school year, Livingstone Range School Division will be moving away from PowerSchool. Moving to new software will improve workflows for the staff. The change will have considerable cost savings for the school division and offer similar functionality for Schools, teachers, and parents.

Report cards will be prepared next week and, once ready, will be mailed to families. Expect them in your mailbox in early February. As is usual, we are planning a midterm Honour Roll Assembly sometime in February. In Junior High, the Honour roll requires an average of 80% in English Language Arts, Social Studies, Math, Science, and Physical Education. Distinction occurs with an average of 90%. The honour roll is the same percentage in high school and is based on a credit average for all in-school courses.

Pauline Braun Hornecker will be retiring at the end of the first semester. Her years of service to the school and the community and her commitment to our students is exceptional. She will be missed. Her dedication has impacted countless students at JT Foster, and our entire team wishes her well as she begins a new life chapter.

Lastly, we are looking for feedback on-at-home learning. Specifically, what went well in

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comparison to last spring? Our team made significant improvements from last spring to this previous session. We hope not to have to go back to at-home learning, but we will look for ways to do better if it happens again. As a teacher, I struggle with at-home learning. I am so proud of how well the students adapted given the circumstances. Please let us know your thoughts at s-itfoster@lrsd.ab.ca

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Bus Driver Information Nights

Join us for a short presentation, talk to a current bus driver, and ask your questions about driving school bus with Livingstone Range School Division. Plus, there will be refreshments and door prizes!

- Crowsnest Pass (Crowsnest Consolidated High School, 8901 20 Ave, Coleman) - Tuesday, January 19 at 7pm
- Pincher Creek (Matthew Halton High School, 945 Davidson Ave) - Thursday, January 21 at 7pm



- Nanton (J.T. Foster High School, 2501 22 St) Tuesday, January 26 at 7pm
- Claresholm (Willow Creek Composite High School, 628 55 Ave W) Thursday, January 28 at 7pm
- Fort Macleod (G.R. Davis Administration Building, 410 20 St) Tuesday, February 2 at 7pm
- Virtual Session Wednesday, February 3 at 7pm

All in-person sessions will follow COVID-19 safety precautions.

SAVE YOUR SEAT! To RSVP call Phil at 403-625-1027 or email edwardsk@lrsd.ab.ca.

Kindergarten Registration Now Open



Schools in Livingstone Range School Division are now accepting registrations for Kindergarten for the 2021-2022 school year. Children who are 5 years old on or before December 31, 2021, may begin Kindergarten in September 2021.

Contact your local school for additional information and to register.

Click here for Registration.

If you think your child may need extra support, contact the school or Sandi Harrower, Early Learning Coordinator at 403-625-3356 or harrowers@lrsd.ab.ca. Program funding is available for eligible children.



SENIOR HIGH EXAM SCHEDULE

All Assessments start at 9:00 although students are advised to arrive for 8:30 to be ready. Students must remain in the exam room for a minimum of 90 minutes.

THURS. JAN 14 9:00 AM English 30 Part A
THURS. JAN 21 9:00 AM English 30 Part B

FRI. JAN 22 9:00 AM English 10B Part A

Physics 20 Social Studies 30

MON. JAN 25 9:00 AM English 10B Part B

Math 20-1 Biology 30

TUES. JAN 26 9:00 AM Social Studies 10A Part A

Math 10C/3 Chemistry 30

WED. JAN 27 9:00 AM CALM 10B

Social Studies 10A Part B

ELA 20 Part A Math 30-1

THURS. JAN 28 9:00 AM Science 10

Science 10 ELA 20 Part B

Physics 30

No School for Students Friday, January 29.

See you back on Monday, February 1 to start Semester 2!

JUNIOR HIGH INFORMATION!

Junior High Students HAVE REGULAR CLASSES January 11-28. If teachers have midterms for them they will be done in class.

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