

April Newsletter 2022-2023



P rincipal's Message



Greetings Parents and Guardians,

We are in the final push towards the end of the year and we only have about 12 weeks of school remaining until exams start! I am sure many of our students are counting down the days to the end of the school year and that often reminds me of a saying from our Associate Superintendent, Mr. Monty. Whenever one of my colleagues was having a conversation with Mr. Monty, and the topic of counting down the days to the end of the school year came up, he would reply "Don't count the days, make the days count". I think this is a great reminder for both our students and staff as we head to the end of the year. There is still a great deal of teaching and learning that must take place before the end of the year and we need to continue to work hard every day. I encourage all of our students to put forth their best effort in our final push towards summer holidays.

In addition, the staff of ÉLJHS would like to wish Mr. Monty all the best on his new adventure as a retired Associate Superintendent and I am sure he will make each day count!

Have a great month everyone!

Mr. Chomlak



APRIL IMPORTANT DATES:

APRIL 2:
CLASSES RESUME

APRIL 2:
TERM 3 OPTION CLASSES BEGIN

APRIL 4:
PICTURE DAY- NEW STUDENTS ONLY

APRIL 10:
PA & SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 19:
PD DAY- No SCHOOL

MAY 2:
GR 7 ORIENTATION & OPEN HOUSE



Mrs. Severson's
ÉLJHS Counselling Corner



LINK:

ÉLJHS Counselling Corner

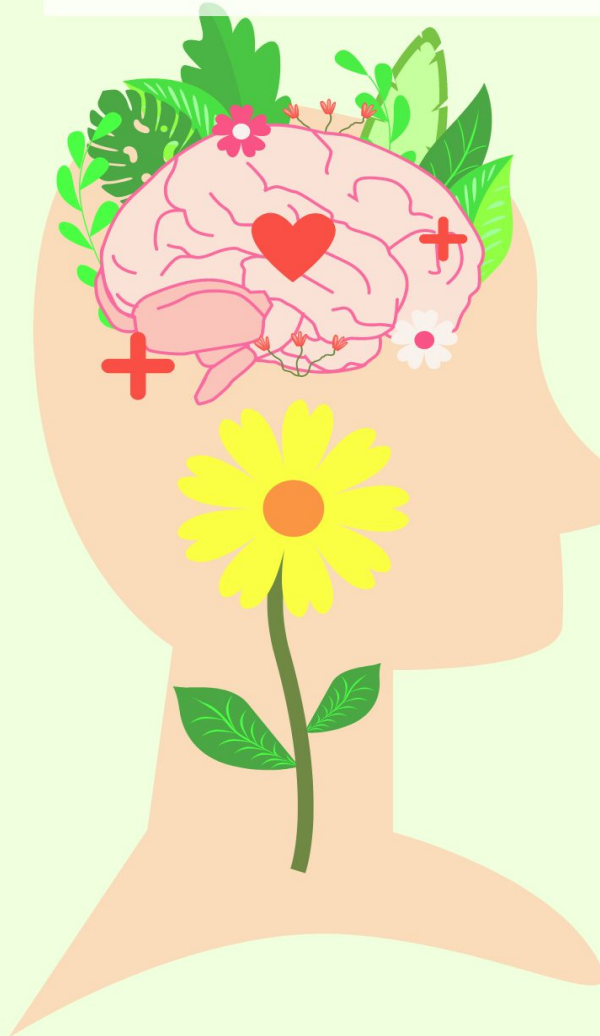
<https://sites.google.com/gshare.blackgold.ca/eljhs-counselling-corner/home>

MENTAL HEALTH SYMPOSIUM

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN
LEARNING ABOUT WAYS TO
SUPPORT YOUR CHILDREN
WITH THEIR MENTAL HEALTH?



JOIN US FOR A MENTAL HEALTH SYMPOSIUM TO CHAT WITH VARIOUS BLACK GOLD AND LEDUC AREA MENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS ABOUT WHAT SUPPORTS AND RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU. INFORMATION ON TOPICS SUCH AS GRIEF, ANXIETY, RESILIENCE, AND MUCH MORE WILL BE PROVIDED.



TUESDAY, MAY 7 2024

6 - 8 PM

ÉCOLE LEDUC ESTATES SCHOOL



DOOR PRIZES TO BE WON, AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED.

PLEASE RSVP BY APRIL 30, 2024.



RSVP Here

ÉLJHS FINAL EXAM INFORMATION:



Grade 9- Provincial Achievement Tests

MAY 13:	MAY 15:	JUNE 18:	JUNE 19:	JUNE 20:	JUNE 24:	JUNE 25:	JUNE 26:
ELA PAT PART A	FLA PAT PART A	FLA PAT PART B	MATH PAT PART A	ELA PAT PART B	MATH PAT PART B	SOCIAL PAT	SCIENCE PAT

Grade 7 & 8 - Final Exam Schedule

JUNE 18:	JUNE 19:	JUNE 20:	JUNE 24:	JUNE 25:	JUNE 26:
FLA FINAL EXAM	MATH FINAL EXAM- PART A	ELA FINAL EXAM- PART B	MATH FINAL EXAM- PART B	SOCIAL FINAL EXAM	SCIENCE FINAL EXAM

★ More specific final exam information will be communicated closer to the end of the year.



ÉLJHS Grade 7 Orientation

On **May 2, 2024**, grade six students from all of our five feeder schools will attend an orientation at Ecole Leduc Junior High School arranged by their elementary school as a field trip. The orientation aims to familiarize students with the changes and expectations of our grade seven program. Allowing students to see their new school, and develop an understanding of how it functions, will assist in the transition process into junior high.

Also, on **May 2, 2024**, from **6:00-7:00 PM**, we will have our ÉLJHS Parent Open House to provide information about our school. Your child has the opportunity to attend a junior high school catering to the individualized needs of adolescents. Please come hear about all the opportunities provided at Ecole Leduc Junior High School!

We look forward to meeting parents and students new to our school!

ÉLJHS UPCOMING EVENTS:



EVENT DATE:
Saturday, May 11th



6th Annual Black Gold Husky Dodgeball Tournament

DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

- ★ Maximum 24 Teams
- ★ Participants must be 12 yrs or older
- ★ Teams must be 6-8 players
- ★ Guaranteed 3 Games
- ★ Games are 10 minutes
- ★ Medals for Top 3 Teams
- ★ Prize Raffle
- ★ Customized team shirts available for purchase
- ★ CONCESSION!!!!!!
- ★ Registration forms available online at:

<https://eljhs.blackgold.ca/eljhs-6th-annual-blackgold-husky-dodgeball-tournament/>

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- ★ \$10.00 / Player
- ★ First Come - First Serve
- ★ Registration is complete once payment is accepted

HELPFUL LINKS

- ★ E-Transfer available: (eljhsa@gmail.com)
- ★ Registration closes: **May 3rd**

ÉLJHS Grade 9 Farewell

May 30 , 2024

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Location:

☆ ÉLJHS Gymnasium

Itinerary:

- ☆ Award Presentations
- ☆ Class Introductions
- ☆ Dance



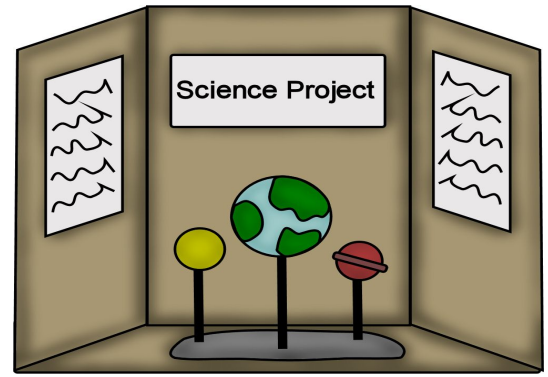
ÉLJHS Year End Activity Day

INFORMATION COMING SOON

May 31, 2024



ÉLJHS SCIENCE DEPARTMENT:



ÉLJHS SCIENCE FAIR

On March 21st, we were so excited to present a select group of science fair projects or experiments from students in Grades 7-9, that positively affect our world through scientific innovation! Take a look and see what they discovered:

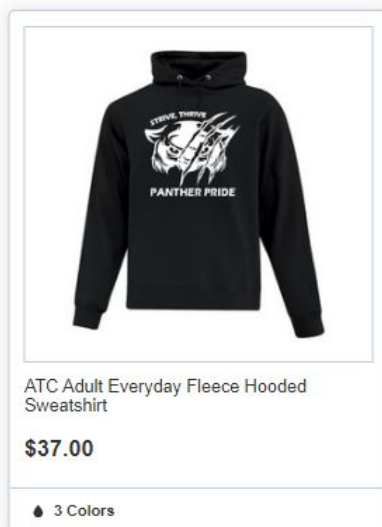


Panther Wear Store

Our limited edition slogan and logo Panther Wear is now available for purchase.

This design and slogan were created by the members of our Principal Advisory Committee and voted on by our student-body.

Get yours TODAY!



<https://eljhsstudents2021.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

SCHOOL SUPPLY CHECK-IN!

We are now in Term 3 at ÉLJHS! We are finding binders are getting **TOO FULL** and students are not prepared for class with the proper tools to be successful. **ESPECIALLY PENCILS/CALCULATORS!** Please check in with your child to see if they have enough school supplies to get them through to the end of the year. **Thank you!**

Pencils ~ Binders ~ Paper ~ Pens ~ Erasers



Order the ELJHS Yearbook for **\$40.00**

Deadline to order is: **April 30, 2024**

Order Your YEARBOOK



- If your ÉLJHS Yearbook is not paid **IN FULL** by this deadline, your order will be cancelled, and you may not receive it. Please make sure to pay for your yearbook as soon as possible.
- If you need **MULTIPLE COPIES**, please call the school office to add more to your student's account.

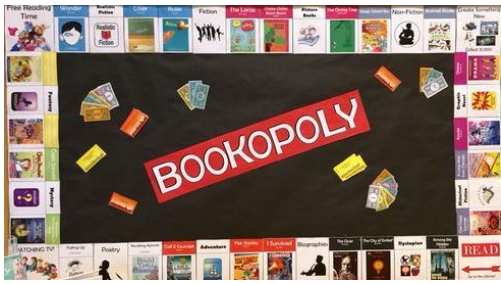
Yearbooks will arrive in the fall of the 2024-2025 school year. An email will be sent out to let you know when they are at the school for pick up.

Students who order a Yearbook and move to a new school in Leduc in 2024-25, will have them held for pick up at ÉLJHS. If you are changing to a new school next year, your Yearbook will be forwarded to the new school to collect in September.



LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE LLC:

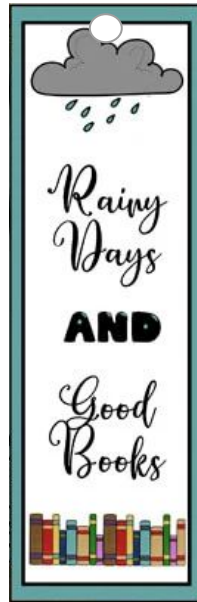
BOOKOPOLY READING CHALLENGE



Check out the Bookopoly Winners below. These amazing students won the following prizes:

PRIZES:

- 1 Free Book
- Amazon Gift Card



April will be promoting a

Create-Your-Own Bookmark Contest

The winner will have their bookmark mass-produced for student use in the LLC!

CONTEST WINNERS:

Mrs. Kern's Book Recommendations:

Congratulations...



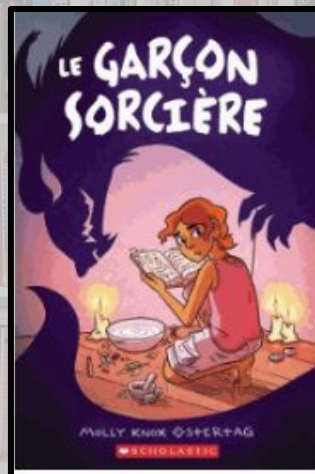
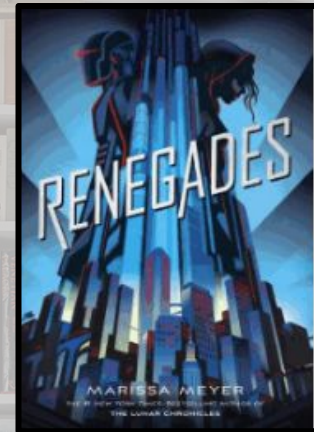
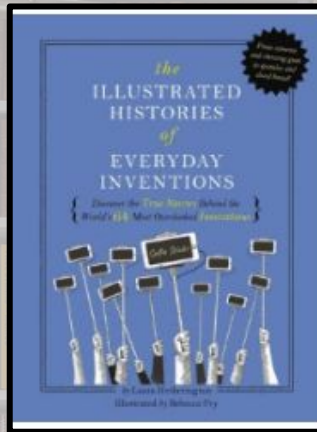
Isabella Aeichele- 8B



Arya Deters-Frig- 8C

Our Consolation Winners:

Colbie Harris- 8B | Mae Clarke- 8E
Tillie Dalmer-7C | Shemar Lambie- 7E



ÉLJHS SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS:

COACHES :

- ☆ Gr 7 Boys- Chomlak
- ☆ Gr 7 Girls- Kozuch
- ☆ Jr Boys- Schenk
- ☆ Jr Girls- Welz / Richardson
- ☆ Sr Boys- Baulkham
- ☆ Sr Girls- Lepage

BASKETBALL TEAMS



THANK YOU for all of your support!



Congratulations
to our
Sr Boys Basketball Team
on their **Championship**
GOLD MEDAL
in the **LDAAL League**
for the **2022-2023 Season**



Congratulations
to our
Jr Girls Basketball Team
on their **Championship**
BRONZE MEDAL
in the **LDAAL League**
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Congratulations! **GO PANTHERS GO!**



MARMOT BASIN
JASPER-CANADIAN ROCKIES

ÉLJHS grade 9 students and staff supervisors went to Marmot Basin Ski Resort in Jasper, AB on March 8th for a day of skiing and snowboarding fun!



ELJHS PARKING

The parking lot on the South side of the school is reserved for:

STAFF PARKING ONLY

If you are dropping off your child or visiting our school, there are parking areas along the street that run along the East, West, and North sides of the school yard. We have very little parking for our staff so we appreciate any cooperation with this.



SCHOOL FEES

School Fees are past due. Please ensure to check your child's PowerSchool Parent Portal for any fees that may have been added that need to be paid. If you are experiencing financial situations that you would like to discuss and require help, please reach out to me.

Shoana Theriault
Finance Admin Assistant
780-986-2184

APRIL ANXIETY SERIES @ *Leduc Public Library*

April 4, 2024 10AM-11AM

Separation Anxiety Coping Strategies *Ages 3-5 (with caregivers)*

In this free workshop, parents/caregivers will learn strategies to help ease their child's anxiety encountered during separation from caregivers. Participants will learn how to help normalize their child's experience of anxiety when separating from caregivers and provide their child with strategies to help them in moments of distress typically encountered during separation from caregivers.

Book: The Invisible String by Patrice Karst

April 11, 2024 4PM-5PM

Anxiety and Coping Strategies *Ages 6-9 (without caregivers)*

In this free workshop, children will learn about the body's "alarm system" and its functional role in their lives. Participants will learn what anxiety is and leave with practical strategies to help ease their anxiety.

Book: Please Explain Anxiety to Me by Laurie Zelinger and Jordan Zelinger

April 18, 2024 4PM-5PM

What To Do When You Worry Too Much *Ages 10-14 (without caregivers)*

Workshop attendees will learn four superpowers to help them deal with their worries and feelings of anxiety. Participants will learn what anxiety is and leave with practical tools ("4 Superpowers") that they can use to help them feel less anxious.

Book: What to Do When You Worry Too Much by Dawn Huebner

April 25, 2024 6PM-7PM (online); 7PM-8PM (in person)

Stress and Anxiety in Teen Girls *For caregivers*

Workshop attendees will discuss the many pitfalls adolescent girls face today and leave with practical strategies to help their daughters move past challenges while reinforcing confidence and minimizing stress.

Book: Under Pressure by Lisa Damour



REGISTER AT

www.familycounsellingcentres.com > **Groups**



Family
Counselling Centres

Family & Community Support Services

SUBSIDIZED PROGRAMS

- For City of Leduc Residents -

INCOME ELIGIBILITY

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	MAX ANNUAL INCOME
1 person	\$35,000
2 persons	\$45,000
3 persons	\$47,500
4 persons	\$50,000
5 persons	\$52,500
6 or more persons	Add \$2,500 for each additional family member

SUBSIDIZED COUNSELLING

Short term individuals, couple, and family therapy. Fees are based on household annual income and can range from \$15- \$55 per appointment.

- Clients must have no access to benefits or used up all benefits
- Household income threshold is \$75,000 per year

TRANSIT SUBSIDY

Provides half price monthly bus passes. Client's choice between local, commuter or LATS monthly pass.

UTILITY ARREARS PROGRAM

Provides up to \$400 for past due utility bills.

- Available to each household once every 2 years

RECREATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Provides a free LRC annual membership OR \$200 in funding to use for registered LRC programs per year.

- Also available to RURAL Leduc County Residents

CREATIVE CULTURE CONNECTIONS

Up to \$200 per person, per year to attend Arts or Culture opportunities (example: music lessons, painting, etc).

- Program must be at least once a week for 5 weeks.
- Also available to RURAL Leduc County Residents

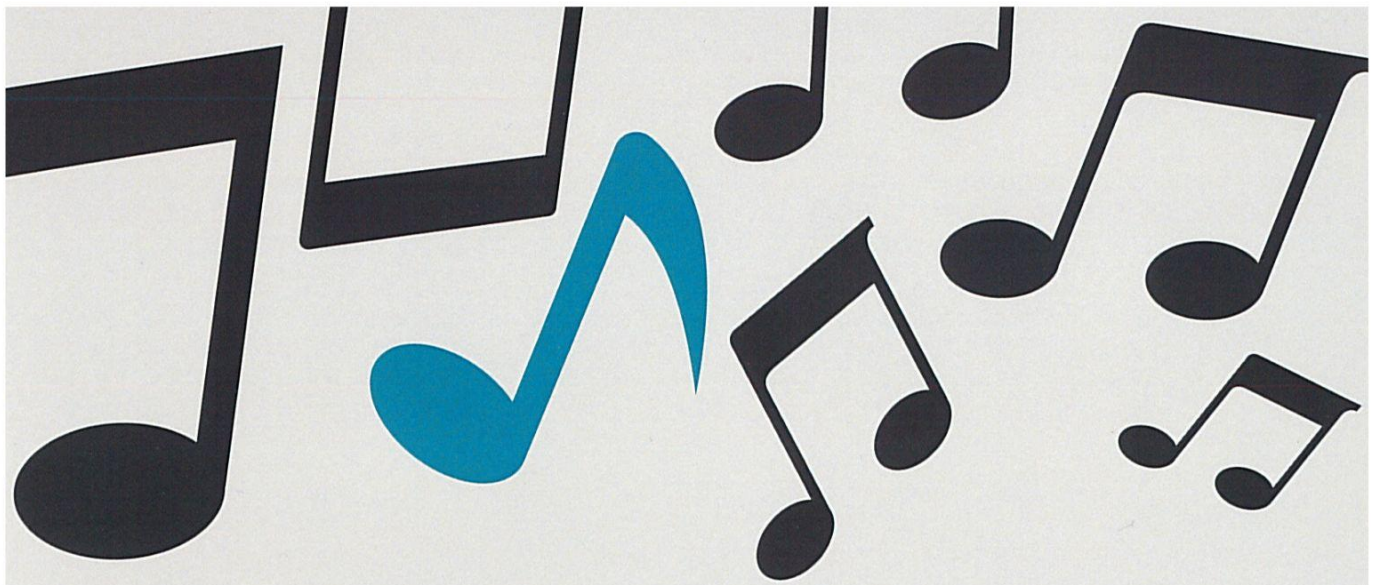
INCOME TAX PROGRAM

Provides free income tax filing for residents that have a simple tax return.

- No self-employment income or interest income over \$1000

SANTA'S HELPERS

Intakes on behalf of Leduc Santa's Helpers Society to provide Christmas presents for children in need



Leduc Rotary



Music Festival
Association

48th Annual

Music Festival

April 2-18, 2024



TUES. 2nd, 9-1 - SPEECH LEDUC COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

WED. 3rd, 9-5 - MUSICAL THEATRE MACLAB

MON. 8th, 9-4, 6-9 - VOCAL PEACE LUTHERAN

THUR. 11th, 9-5 - BAND & INSTRUMENTAL MACLAB

FRI. 12th, 9:30-2 - CHORAL EBENEZER CHURCH

MON. 15th, 9-4:30 - JR. PIANO ST. DAVID'S 9-4:30 INT. & SR. PIANO PEACE LUTHERAN

TUES. 16th, 9-4:30 - JR. PIANO ST. DAVID'S 9-4:30 INT & SR. PIANO PEACE LUTHERAN

WED. 17th, 9-12 JR. PIANO ST.DAVID'S 9-4, 6-9 INT. & SR. PIANO PEACE LUTHERAN

THUR. 18TH, 9-12 INT. & SR. PIANO PEACE LUTHERAN

AWARDS GALA

SUN. APRIL 28 AT 2PM

leducmusicfestival.ca

2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR:

BLACK GOLD SCHOOL DIVISION 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR										
Monthly Calendar							Teacher Days	Student Days	Dates & Details	
AUGUST 2023	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	4	2	August 28 & 29 - Teacher Workdays (No Students) August 30 - School Commences for ALL Grades 1 - 12 Students
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	13	14	15	16	17	18	19			
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26			
	27	28	29	30	31					
SEPTEMBER 2023	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	19	18	September 4 - Labour Day (Schools Closed) September 15 - PD Day: (No Students): (AM) Welcome Back & LSA Ceremony (To follow) PD Day September 29 - Day in Lieu - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Schools Closed) September 30 - National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
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OCTOBER 2023	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	21	20	October 9 - Thanksgiving Day (Schools Closed) October 10 - PD Day (No Students) Diploma Exam
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	15	16	17	18	19	20	21			
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28			
NOVEMBER 2023	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	17	16	November 1 - PD Day (No Students) November 5 - Daylight Savings Time (clocks backward) November 11 - Remembrance Day November 13 - 17 - Midterm Break (Schools Closed) Diploma Exam
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	26	27	28	29	30					
DECEMBER 2023	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	16	15	December 4 - PD Day (No Students) December 25 - 29 - Christmas Vacation (Schools Closed)
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	17	18	19	20	21	22	23			
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30			
JANUARY 2024	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	18	17	January 1 - 5 - Christmas Vacation (Schools Closed) January 8 - School Resumes January 31 - PD Day (No Students) Provincial Achievement Tests (PAT) Diploma Exam & Provincial Achievement Tests (PAT) Diploma Exam
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	28	29	30	31						
Semester 1: Aug 31, 2023 - Jan 31, 2024							95	88	Semester 2 - Commences Feb 1, 2024	
FEBRUARY 2024	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	20	18	February 1 - Semester 2 Commences February 8 & 9 - ATA Teachers' Convention (No Students) February 19 - Family Day (Schools Closed)
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	25	26	27	28	29					
MARCH 2024	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	16	15	March 10 - Daylight Savings Time (clocks forward) March 11 - PD Day (No Students) March 25 - 29 - Spring Break (Schools Closed)
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APRIL 2024	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	21	20	April 1 - Easter Monday (Schools Closed) April 2 - School Resumes April 19 - PD Day (No Students) Diploma Exam
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MAY 2024	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	22	21	May 17 - PD Day (No Students) May 20 - Victoria Day (Schools Closed) Provincial Achievement Tests (PAT)
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JUNE 2024	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	20	18	June 26 - Last School Day with Diploma Exam & PAT June 27 & 28 - Teacher Workday (No Students) Diploma Exam & PAT Diploma Exam
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	16	17	18	19	20	21	22			
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29			
Semester 2: February 1 - June 28, 2024							99	92		
TOTAL = Operational Days-Teachers / Instructional Days-Students							194	180	Aug-Dec/23: 77 -T & 71 -S; Jan-June/24: 117 -T & 109 -S	

Approved - February 22, 2023

INSPIRING SUCCESS FOR EVERY STUDENT EVERY DAY