

**Administration Report
Ardrossan School Council
September 17, 2018 6:30 p.m. Learning Commons**

Welcome/Introduction

- Thank you for becoming involved!
- open door policy-communication is key-website-newsletter-Bison Tracks -Parent Portal
- decisions made based on what is best for the student(s) individually as well as in the big picture with all students

Current Status and Issues:

- enrolment now at approximately 813 students- 101- grade 7, 129 - grade 8, 151- grade 9, 142 grade 10, 140 grade 11, 150 grade 12
- Parent portal for grades will be showing after Monday, Oct. 15
- Construction in mechanics over the summer
- No cell phones in Grade 7, 8 and 9 classes
- If late to class, late slip is needed from the office

School Education Plan:

Every 3 years, all schools in Alberta develop a School Education Plan (SEP)

In EIPS, our School Education Plan process is now combined with the School Results report and is submitted every 3 years

Our SEP was developed based on current Alberta Education goals, EIPS goals, our students' need, our school needs and current situation, the programs we are able to offer, and the resources we have

Staff have been working together to determine priorities, and then administrative team put it all together

Plan will be submitted to the superintendent

Plan is in the first of three years

Based on Accountability Survey in grade 7 and 10 and PAT/Diploma results

3 School Goals:

GOAL 1:

Promote growth and success for all students in the area of literacy and numeracy. (EIPS Priority 1: Goal 3)

GOAL 2:

To improve student engagement through a variety of evidence based practices and innovative learning. (EIPS Priority 2: Goal 4)

GOAL 3:

To increase community involvement by developing resilient, empathetic citizens, and encouraging a school culture of social responsibility. (EIPS Priority 2: Goal 1)

Feedback or questions?

Student - Parent - Teacher Conferences: This year we want to welcome you to our Student - Parent - Teacher Conferences in October, again in early March.

It is our belief that moving our conferences earlier in the school year will facilitate a more timely demonstration of student learning for the parents. The following benefits and rationale led to this change in format.

Benefits in doing interviews before report cards:

- Ongoing open student parent-teacher communication.
- Children demonstrate their learning (strengths and weaknesses), prior to report cards. They then have the opportunity, with the assistance and understanding of their parents, to improve in the areas where they may have difficulties and make any changes necessary in order to work towards achieving their goals.
- Previously, we had some frustrated students and parents who, after receiving the report cards, did not understand why the student's marks were low, or why they were struggling. The early conferences facilitates the opportunity to address these concerns and provide time to work on these areas, prior to final assessments and report cards.
- Earlier conferences support what we know about effective assessment for, of, and as learning, by providing the opportunity for an earlier mid-term demonstration of what has been achieved and setting directions to increase understanding.
- Setting up our conferences early creates a more consistent flow of communication with the parents throughout the year. Report cards are 1/3, newsletters, notes and phone calls home are 1/3, student led conferences and other meetings are the other 1/3 of the way we communicate.
- The report card becomes a reflection of the child's highest levels of consistent achievement. Report cards will be available on line end of November, mid- February, beginning of May and end of June. No conferences are scheduled for the time the report cards go home.

What can you expect at the first conference dates? October 23 and 25 - will allow a **10 minute sharing of information** will take place in classroom. Please use the schoolinterviews.ca to schedule your 10 minutes for each child starting on **Monday, Oct. 15 @ 3:30 p.m.** until **Wednesday, Oct. 25 @ 2 p.m.** The second conference date in March.

If there are any confidential issues (learning challenges, serious behavior, testing etc.) these conversations will be scheduled in a separate meeting at a different time.

PAT results and Diploma Results

Official results in October - look on website-questions or feedback to me- present to SC at November meeting

Safety

Thank you to all families for keeping all our kids safe

Parking lots and slowing down

New Parking Lot

New staff

Welcome to Mme Bilodeau- Lepage, Mme Booiij, Ms. Carstairs, Ms. Fleckenstein, Ms. Kelm, M. Laliberte, Mrs. Manchakowski, Mr. Reimer, Mr. VanBerkel

Events previous

Bison Football- thanks to Mr. Schwartz

Welcome assemblies

SUTP sales for Wellness Center

Welcome week- Apple and Cookie Day, Photo Scavenger Hunt-Crazy Hat Day, Pride Day-Tug of

War- Hot dog day

V-ball started up-Varsity and Jr. High-thanks to Mike Gordulic, Rita Purdy, Nadine Stefiuk, Christa Manchakowski, Meagan Kelm and Tyler VanBerkel

Video Club-Thank you to Mrs. Booij

Student Fee Invoice online

PE 10/20/30 trips- thanks to Mr. Clark

Picture Day-Icon

Nait visit

Sr. X-Country- thanks to Mr. Ferguson

Future Events

Bio 20 Riverwatch-thanks to Mrs. Hoffos and Mme Parker-Young

Grade 7 Rec Fit trips

Health 7 DARE presentations

U of A visit

Concordia visit

MacEwan visit

Enviro Education to Lesser Slave Lake

EIPS X-country meet- and Zones - Goldbar Park

Oct. 5 - World Teacher Day

Read in Week-October 1 to 5

Oct. 5- Professional Learning day- no classes

Oct. 16- Jr. High and Sr. High Awards Night

Picture retake- Oct. 17

PST interviews Oct. 23 and 25 - bookings open Monday, Oct. 15 @ 3:30

EIPS It's a Matter of Choice

Take your Kids to Work Day Grade 9

Remembrance Day Ceremony

Fall Break