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NEWSLETTER

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Staff Appreciation Week

We saw many wonderful celebrations during Staff Appreciation Week, which took place February 10-14. We received 489 Staff Shout Outs from parents, students, staff, and community members. We are grateful and proud to work with an amazing group of individuals and we hope our entire Prairie South team felt the appreciation they all so deeply deserve.

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Heather Rauscher
Caronport Elementary School

Heather, Thanks for your work as SST in our school. Your deep care for kids does not go unnoticed. Thank you also for keeping our Band and Choir program going! CES wouldn't be the same without you.

Staff Member

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Steen Hoffman
Riverview Collegiate

Steen is an excellent teacher with a lot of real world experience such as welding, carpentry, AutoCAD, car repair, and so many other skills. He's patient, kind, and a great role model for our students.

Staff Member

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Dorsche G
Assiniboia Composite High School

Assiniboia is so lucky to have you!! You are always looking out for the best interests of your students and making learning fun. What an incredible job you have done getting the Drama program up and running! So proud of you, keep on doing you!

Staff Member



STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Shawna Wirz
Chaplin School

A huge shout-out to our incredible principal! Your kindness, compassion, and knowledge inspire us every day. Your unwavering support and leadership create a positive and welcoming environment for staff and students alike. Thank you for all that you do to make our school a better place! We appreciate you!

Staff Member

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Heather Dunlop
Ecole Palliser Heights School

Your patience, kindness, and flexibility make such a difference every day. You're always ready to help, no matter what, and you consistently go above and beyond to support everyone. Your dedication and caring nature create such a positive environment, and I truly appreciate everything you do!

Staff Member

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Facilities Department

A BIG THANK-YOU to our Facilities Dept, the admins, the boots on the ground Trades staff and our casual facility operators.

Your services are greatly appreciated when we need your help.

You ARE the lifeline of Prairie South!

Staff Member



STAFF SHOUT OUT!

All the Staff at William Grayson School

I know a few of the staff, and I am always amazed to hear their stories of student interactions. The trust the students have with Ms. Heshka and the teachers is absolutely incredible. There is no way I would have shared or trusted my teachers the way the students do at William Grayson. A true culture of Caring.

Community Member

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Jackie Hundersmarek

École Gravelbourg School

Jackie is a wonderful bus driver! She is friendly and knows all the riders by name. She communicates all changes to the schedule in advance.

Parent/Guardian/Caregiver

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Jessie Karst

Rose Valley Colony School

Jessie and I have worked together for many years! She is an amazing teacher, coworker, and friend! Thanks for all that you do for the kids and me, Jessie! We couldn't do it without you!

Staff Member



STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Alayna Beaubien

Rockglen School

Your patience and hard work shows daily. The students in the school adore you. You always have a smile on your face that shows thru every student you teach.

Parent/Guardian/Caregiver

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Sheena Mullens

Prince Arthur School

Sheena lights up every room she walks into with her positivity and bright smile! She teaches both Pre-k and kindergarten kids, and frankly excels at it! She is always updating parents on how the kids are doing in class and sending pictures home so we can feel like we're a part of it all too! She has the sweetest and kindest soul, with the singing voice of an angel!

Parent/Guardian/Caregiver

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Nikki Lix

Lindale School

Mrs Lix has the biggest heart I have ever seen in a teacher. Her caring ways never end and she truly loves every student!

Staff Member



STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Mrs. Terry Clements

Mossbank School

Thank you for your tireless efforts in organizing our library space. Your creativity and enthusiasm have made our library a vibrant hub of learning.

Staff Member

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Brian Butler

Sunningdale School

Mr. Butler is amazing! Our school has never been so clean and sparkly. He has a great relationship with the kids and is always interested in their learning. He always has a smile on his face no matter what task he is doing. He is like the energizer bunny and goes above and beyond!

Staff Member

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Lisa Schlamp

Central Office - Learning Department

Lisa is an unsung hero! She works, often behind the scenes to keep so many things running smoothly for the school division. I appreciate all she does. She is a valued member of the learning department.

Staff Member



STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Kristy Oninex

AE Peacock Collegiate

Kristy continually goes above and beyond for her students and her co-workers. She is warm, kind, and welcoming.

Staff Member

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

David Hopper

Coronach School

For keeping the senior end of the school sparkling clean. Your attention to detail is wonderful. Keep up the good work!

Parent/Guardian/Caregiver

STAFF SHOUT OUT!

Amber Bloom

King George School

This woman is absolutely an amazing person inside and out. She goes above and beyond for all students. With what she does outside of school on her own time, helping kids get to camp and different after school programs. She's made a big change in our family for the better. We love her so much.

Parent/Guardian/Caregiver



ROCKET NATION

Assiniboia Composite High School



Assiniboia Composite High School (AKA - ACHS) is a Grade 9 to 12 School in the southern part of Prairie South. We currently have 180 students, 5 support staff and 10 teachers. Students come from a large surrounding area (10 buses every day!) as well as just around the corner. Opened in 1962, ACHS is a busy school with a multitude of athletic and extracurricular clubs that see our students active on a daily basis. Assiniboia Composite takes pride in academic success with students challenged every semester to attain the elusive 80% school average which, by hard work, happened during semester 1 midterm reports. It is this type of combination of academic and extracurricular involvement which makes the students enjoy every opportunity that is part of being a high school student.

What's Up at ACHS

ACHS staff and student body have enjoyed the renewal of drama after a long hiatus from the stage. This year's actors and crew have upped their game with doing a fall as well as a spring production. Two years ago the club did not exist and now totals close to 30 members and is looking forward to many more productions as the majority of the students are in grade 9 and 10!!!



One of the newest clubs at ACHS is the Warhammer Alliance Club which combines the art of model making with the strategy of Dungeons and Dragons (which is another club that is also running) and Risk. Students have definitely enjoyed the model making part of the club as the picture shows. Can't wait to see what type of figures are up next!!

ACHS Student Leadership for 2024-25 school year has done many activities and has the student body revved up and having a great time during all the many events that they host. This year marked a resurrection of school dances at ACHS which had not been done for at least 15 years!! The night was memorable with the final dance of the night being a 100-student conga line. Next dance will be coming soon with a "Spring Fling" theme!!



Every year, as part of basketball season, the Senior Girls annual tournament provides an opportunity to a member of the community who is struggling with a cancer diagnosis. This year's event raised a record \$28K to support Crystal Christopherson from Willow Bunch. The event brought together people from many communities to support this great cause. ACHS is proud of the many students who took on leadership roles and made this event another huge success.

**16TH ANNUAL
PINK GAME**

ACHS ROCKETS | **JANUARY 31ST**
VS | **7:00PM @**
FILLMORE FALCONS | **ACHS**

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO CRYSTAL CHRISTOPHERSON
FREE ADMISSION DONATIONS WELCOME



ACHS could not be the busy school it is without the dedication of our many coaches and supervisors. Without them we could never offer the opportunities we have. With such dedication, it is not surprising that PSSD and South Central Athletics honour our staff with many awards and praises. Coaches and Supervisors are always amazed at the accolades but always remind everyone it's the students that matter most and providing them with the opportunities is what makes it worthwhile.



Students at ACHS enjoy working together and having fun. Student Leadership likes to bring in events that bring out the competition in all of the students and its surprising how quick the students will band together to be successful. No matter what the game, ACHS students are in and willing to do whatever it takes!!



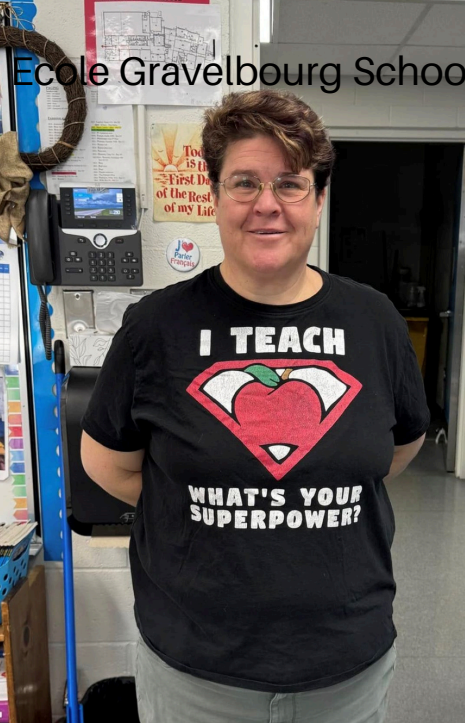
Craik School



Riverview Collegiate



Ecole Gravelbourg School



Eye Brow School



Mortlach School



Central Collegiate



Upcoming Events

March 4

- Regular Board Meeting

March 5

- High School Tours in Moose Jaw

March 8

- International Women's Day

March 12

- Prekindergarten Applications & Kindergarten Registrations Open

March 14

- Prep/LIT Day (No School for Students)

March 17

- St. Patrick's Day

March 20

- School-based Administrators' Meeting

March 25

- Board Planning Meeting

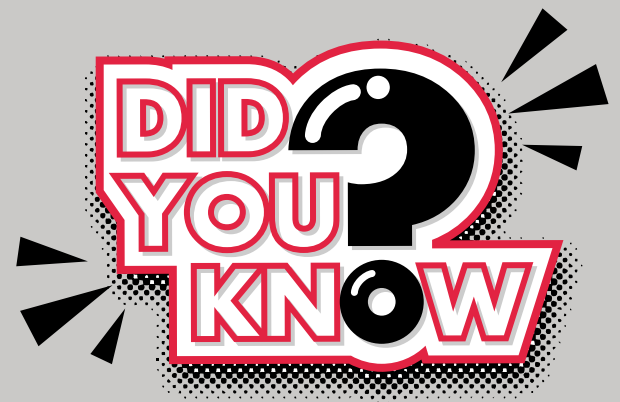
March 29-April 6

- World Men's Curling in Moose Jaw

SHARE

We would love to hear from you!

Do you have any stories or ideas to share? Please email your submission today!



Moose Jaw Co-op, along with River Street Promotions, have a new "Retro Roots" initiative.

They have a limited-edition "Retro Roots" hat, which is a throwback style snapback hat. Grab yours today at the Moose Jaw Co-op Agro location and \$5 will go to support Youth Mental Health in Prairie South!

Thank you to River Street Promotions and Moose Jaw Co-op for your continued support!