

CHURCHBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOL

COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL PROFILE

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CPS COMMUNITY PROFILE

Churchbridge Public School is a part of the Good Spirit School Division. It is situated in the farming and mining community of Churchbridge, Sask. CPS draws its students from the town of Churchbridge and the RMs of Churchbridge and Langenburg. The town of Churchbridge and RM of Churchbridge have a population of approximately 1400 people. Churchbridge is conveniently located at the junction of #16 (Yellowhead), and #80 highways and a short distance from the small city of Yorkton, Sask. Churchbridge is a friendly community that offers many businesses and services.

There are many things and attractions to see in Churchbridge. We have a hockey arena and curling rink, both with artificial ice. These rinks are always bustling with winter activities from minor sports, a senior hockey team and many curling bonspiels. In the summer one can enjoy our outdoor swimming pool which is situated just across from a beautiful, full service campground, ball diamonds and there is a 9 hole golf course just a couple of minutes from town. Fishing and camping can also be enjoyed after a short drive to Lake of the Prairies or Duck Mountain Provincial Park.

Throughout the year many community events such as trade shows, fundraisers, fall suppers, and cabarets, are put on by very active clubs such as the Lion's club, Lioness club, Curling club, Minor sports, and Churchbridge Business Association. We also host Star Search where young singers compete for top vocalist of the year.

The Town boasts many attractions like the Loonie monument to commemorate Canada's 125th birthday designed by local artist and staff member Rita Swanson. Many other local artists have painted many murals that are displayed throughout the town. Another very active group is the Communities in Bloom committee that beautifies our town.

Churchbridge is proud to have seven churches, a public library, a daycare and a Cultural Center that houses the Daycare, historical archives, and Lion's Club within the community.

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FACILITIES

Churchbridge Public School is a K-12 school with an enrolment of 155 students ages 4-18 years old. The school includes a gymnasium (with newly installed wood floor), library, computer labs, band room, science lab, food studies lab and 10 class rooms. CPS has 2 large outdoor sports grounds with a large playground and equipment for the elementary children. The school website may be accessed at <http://cps.gssd.ca/>

CULTURE

CPS has a family-like atmosphere and students are able to participate in a variety of cross-grade activities. The school takes pride in providing a safe and caring environment for the students and staff.

CURRICULUM

CPS follows the required Saskatchewan Ministry of Education Curriculum for each grade level with electives in Industrial Arts, Band, Food Studies, Art, Accounting, and Information Processing. SCN offers e-learning in Law, Calculus, and other distance classes in French, Psychology and Computer Science.

Students at CPS have access to a wide range of technology. The school houses an elementary and senior computer lab and a number of computer pods are located in classrooms. Teachers use SmartBoards, Flip Video, Blogs, Digital Cameras and internet sites when instructing. Each room in the school has computer internet access.

The school is short walk to the arena, curling rink and fitness center so students spend many gym periods using the community facilities. With the planned construction of a new swimming pool, students will be able to take part in extended aquatics program.

CPS has a very active band program and the majority of students in Grades 5-12 participate. The band performs during monthly assemblies, at community functions and Music Festivals.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

A full slate of extra-curricular activities such as drama, guitar, student mentoring, golf, volleyball, cross country running, basketball, curling, badminton, track & field, football (co-op with Esterhazy) and after school X-country skiing.

STAFFING

Staffing consists of 11.96 FTE professional staff, (15 different people), 3 Educational Assistants, 1 Library Technician and 1 Administrative Assistant, along with 2 custodial staff. The following services may be accessed at the school: Student Support, Speech Therapy, Counselling and Occupational Therapy.

SCHOOL YEAR AND SCHOOL DAY

School year runs from late August to the end of June each year. Exact dates are determined annually. Major holidays include regular statutory holidays, the Christmas Break, February Break, and Easter Break. Yearly calendars may be accessed at www.gssd.ca, the Good Spirit School Division website. The school day runs from 9:00 AM to 3:20 PM daily with 55 min. lunch break.