

ESTERHAZY HIGH SCHOOL ehs.gssd.ca**September 2016 Newsletter**

Welcome back. I hope that you had a great summer. For the grade 6 students, for the grade 10 students from Stockholm, and for any students new to our community, I extend a warm welcome to our school.

We have had some staffing changes over the summer. Mr. and Ms. Copp have moved to Ontario. I am pleased to announce that Ms. Parsons has taken on the role of vice-principal. Mr. Mark Jacobs returns to EHS to assume Ms. Copp's grade 7 classroom. As well, Ms. Gogol will be the new LEAP teacher.

GSSD has made changes to our student attendance policy. A simplified version is on page 3, was verbally explained to students and will be posted on our school website within the first week of classes. Please take time to review it. Student attendance in our school and across the school division has been getting worse over the past few years, and the effects are being seen by teachers. Students who missed a lot of school are doing substandard work and are falling behind their classmates.

Extracurricular activities are already up and going. I encourage all students to join an activity. It will be fun, and furthermore, there is a lot of research which shows that students do better at school when they are more involved in its activities.

We will be sending Data Verification sheets home with students. This is something we do every year. The point of this is to update any biographical information that has changed. Examples would be any changes in phone numbers, email addresses, land location, or marital status. It is important to us that we have accurate and up-to-date information.

Talking about current email addresses, soon we will be sending out the usernames and passwords to log on to ConnectEd to parents who have not yet used it. With this program, you can track your child's grades and attendance, among other information. You can access this from the tab on the left hand side on our school's website. If you have forgotten your log-in information, call the office and we can reset your account. But we need a current email to do this.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me or any of the staff. My door is always open.

I hope you all have another great year at school.

IMPORTANT DATES for Sept. and Oct.:

Sept. 13 – Jr. Football Home Game - 7 p.m.

Sept. 15 – Key Conference Grades 6-12 all day , Cookies for sale at noon

- Sept. 15** – Cross country run at Cherrydale Golf Course
Sept. 15 – Sr. Golf Districts
Sept. 20 – Jr. Football Home Game (played in Churchbridge) - 4 p.m.
Sept. 21 – Cross country Race at Deer Park – Squirt to Midget age groups
Sept. 28- 1:45- Magazine Campaign Launch
Sept. 29 - Academic Awards 2016 9:30 am Junior Gym- You are welcome to stay after awards and walk with us
Sept. 29 - Terry Fox Walk
Sept. 29 - Noon Hour BBQ for grade 6-12 students
Sept. 30– U of S Open House
Oct. 7 – Friday Night Lights – Sr. Warriors Football game broadcast by the Rock 98.5
Oct. 10/11 - No School
Oct. 14 – Post Secondary Education Day in Esterhazy – parents are welcome
Oct. 15 – Jr. Girls Volleyball home tournament
Oct. 16-22 – Education Week - Celebrating Today. Preparing for tomorrow.
Oct. 18 – PPEP Rally for Fall Sports
Oct. 26 – Picture Retakes – am only (and group staff photo)
Oct. 27 – Activist Bake Sale – proceeds to walk for water well project
Oct. 28 – Sr. ESA Fear Factor
Oct. 28/29 – Sr. Girls Volleyball home tournament
Oct. 29 – junior boys and girls volleyball districts if (EHS must qualify 1st)
Oct. 31 – Sr. ESA Halloween Dress Up

Some of the Important Dates for the next few months

- Nov. 1-4** EHS clothing sale
Nov. 2-9 Samaritan's Purse toys, school supplies, and \$ donations are appreciated
Nov. 11&14 – no school
Nov. 15/16 – Parent Teacher Interviews 3:30 – 7:00
Nov. 23 – Pancake Breakfast for all students
Nov. 24 – Activist Bake Sale – proceeds to walk for water well project
Dec. 15 – Activist Bake Sale – proceeds to walk for water well project
Dec. 21 – Jan. 3 – No school Christmas Holidays
Finals Week – Pajama Day and Hot Chocolate
Feb. 10 – motivational speaker Robb Nash and PPEP Rally for winter and spring sports
Feb 20 – 24 – No school
Feb. 28- Activity Day
March 3/4 - junior boys & girls basketball districts (EHS must qualify 1st)
April 11/12 – second semester Parent Teacher Interviews
Apr. 10 - Science Innovation 150 Tour in Yorkton for SR Science
April 14-21 – no school
June TBA – Awards Day & BBQ
June 30 – Grade 12 Graduation Day

Any student that needs a medical protocol, and has not returned their form to Ms. Harrick or who is new and did not receive a form please call the school at 306 745 6618 and ask for Ms. Harrick.

2016-2017 Report Card Terms

Term 1-

Marks due- Monday, Nov. 7

Report Cards OUT- Wed., Nov. 9

Parent Teacher Interviews-Tuesday, Nov. 15 & Wednesday, Nov. 16 (3:30-7:00)

Term 2- **no grade 6 reporting period

Marks due- Friday, Jan. 27 (gr. 7-12)

Report Cards OUT- Tuesday, Jan. 31

Term 3-

Marks due- Monday, Apr. 3

Report Cards OUT-Wed., April 5

PTIs-Tues., Apr. 11 & Wed., Apr. 12 (3:30-7:00)

Term 4-

JR FYI- Grades 6-8

Marks due- Mon., June 26

Report Cards OUT- Wed., June 28

SR FYI- Grades 9-12

Marks due- Wed., June 28

Report Cards OUT- Fri., June 30

Academic Awards for the 2015-2016 School Year of last year's grades 6-11 students will be on **Thursday, Sept. 29 2016 at 9:30 AM in the Junior Gym**. You will be receiving an electronic invitation in the coming days if your child is receiving an Honor Roll certificate, Principal's List trophy or another academic award. Congratulations to all winners of Academic Excellence last year.

Messages from the Office

EHS HAT POLICY

We are a 'hat free zone' for students and staff from 8:00 to 4:00. Students must be aware that wearing hats and hoods in school is an offence that may result in a demerit. The demerits are as follows:

First Demerit: The demerit is emailed home.

Second Demerit: The demerit is emailed home and the administrators will phone home as well.

Third Demerit: The demerit is emailed home, the administrators will phone home and the student will lose a class.

GSSD Attendance Strategy FYI- High School Students and Parents

If a student is going to be absent, please contact the school. Otherwise, the absence will be considered unexcused. Parents can contact the school up to 48 hours after a student's absence to explain it.

The school will send home daily automated emails or phone calls for all student absences.

RE: Unexcused Absences for Students in grades 10 -12:

- After 5 unexcused absences, the teacher will contact home to inform the parents/guardian.
- After 10 unexcused absences, administration will contact home to discuss the student's attendance with an action plan for improvement
- After 15 unexcused absences, administration will meet with the student and contact the parents to schedule a meeting. A formal letter will be sent to the parents as a follow-up to the meeting to indicate that the student is at risk of being withdrawn from the class.
- After 20 unexcused absences, the student will be withdrawn from the course, and a letter of notification will be sent home.
- A student who has been withdrawn from a course may re-enrol in that course the next semester or year.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Despite being excused, students may still be withdrawn after 20 classes in a course if they are not achieving 50%.
- Parents must be aware that if they are giving permission for an absences for illness or any other circumstance for which the family considers to be sufficient, the parent also assumes responsibility for results of absences such as lower grades and increase homework load.
- Some courses provide incentive for attendance and turning work in on or before deadlines with recommends or exemptions

Signing Out for Grades 6-12

In order to assure the safety and security of all students during school time, **all** students leaving the school must sign out at the office. The office requires written or verbal permission from a guardian for all students.

Grades 11 & 12 Open Campus students do not need to sign out during their spare.

EMBI AND BAND INFORMATION:

- 1) EMBI Fundraiser is out: Selling Christmas wrap, stocking stuffers, gourmet popcorn, etc. 40% profit for students; our most profitable fundraiser! Due back Wed. Sept. 28.
- 2) Grade 6 Beginner Workshop in Melville, Fri. Sept. 9.
- 3) EMBI Fees of \$25 are due for each band/choir student. Make cheques out to EMBI.
- 4) Instrument Rental cheques are due: \$100 cheque to Good Spirit School Div.
- 5) Sr. Trip Option sheet is due by next week: This is the first time in 13 years that we qualified for Nationals, and it will be held in Niagara Falls, Ont. instead of Richmond, B.C. at the same price point. Or you can choose Edmonton Cantando Festival, or just opt out of travel for this year.

SPORTS:

GSSD and ECDA (East Central District Athletic Association) are looking for football, volleyball and basketball referees. There are a number of referee clinics offered throughout the year. If you are interested in becoming a referee, please contact Mrs. Alicia Chewka at EHS (745-6618) or at Alicia.chewka@gssd.ca

Sr. Golf - Mr. Walker

The girls team consists of Ally Nicholauson, Amber Nicholauson and Carlie Moore. All three girls were on the team last year and have their sights set on the team Gold medal. Last year the girls earned the Silver medal at the district tournament.

The boys team consists of Daniel Fiske, Brayden Senger, Kaden Suski and Austen Presiloski.

Both teams will compete at districts on Sept. 15 at Madge Lake. The Provincial Championships are held at Madge Lake this year as well on Sept. 23/24 for any players who advance.

Warrior Football – Tyler Metz

All football information including practice and game schedules will be on the website www.esterhazywarriors.ca

Any questions or concerns regarding alumni, camps or the Warriors football teams can be directed to Tyler Metz (Head Coach/General Manager) - 306-745-7743 or Aaron Polvi (Assistant Head Coach) - 306-745-3501.

Esterhazy Junior Warriors Football Team 2016

Esterhazy Junior High School Students

Cody Halback-Irvine, Ryder Burns,
 Joshua Roach, Dylan Shire,
 Rob Huckell, Kaysen Nicholls,
 Matthew Metz, Dalton Norek,
 Alexander Gingara, Michael Romanchook,
 Marie Dunster, Daunte Nixon,
 Ameeka Lerat, Carson Neyedley,
 Elijah Williams, Kayden Duchek,
 Ryder Bomberak, Aidan Rieger
 Braxten Giroux, and Carson Knutz

Home Games

Sept. 13 - Fort Qu'Appelle at Esterhazy - 7 p.m.

Sept. 20 - Yorkton at Esterhazy (in Churchbridge) - 4 p.m.

Oct. 18 - Yorkton at Esterhazy - 7 p.m.

Esterhazy Senior Warriors Football Team 2016

From Esterhazy High School

Daniel Fiske, Bailey Brown,
 Hunter Bomboir, Zach Graham,
 Andrew Metz, Luke Baker,
 Owen Dunster, Clay Reuther,
 Oren Cairns, Avery Dunster,
 Damon Nixon, Liam Giroux,
 Alex Lewko, Corbin Taylor,
 Tyler Carriere, Surfie Ferguson,
 Remi Berthelet, James Lagler,
 Cam Neyedley, Matthew Metz,
 Missam Raza, Aydon Brooks,
 Skylund Kada, Dalton Norek,
 Rob Huckell, Ryder Burns, and
 Dylan Shire

Home Games- all under the lights

Oct. 7 - Sacred Heart at Esterhazy - 7 p.m. Broadcast by 98.5 the Rock

Oct. 14 - Broadview at Esterhazy - 7 p.m.

Cross Country Running Team 2016 – coach Mr. Zack

Brittany Varga,	Renee Marchand,
Chloe Norek,	Karen Carter,
Aidan Duff,	Marie Dunster,
Lizaan Fourie,	Quinn Gogol,
Ryder Helmeczi,	Austin Jones,
Rylund Morrison,	Hailey Neyedly,
Torie Patterson,	Michael Romanchook,
Mallory Wild, and	Madison Zazula

Practices started Sept. 7 and are every Mondays and Wednesdays at noon hour.

The students have taken home information for two races so far.

Sept. 15 at the Cherrydale Golf course near Rokeby

Sept. 30 Autumn Summit at Saltcoats

EHS Warriors Sr. Girls Volleyball Team 2016 – Coach Ms. Zubko

Rebecca Helmeczi,	Jana Lajeunesse,
Anna Leidl,	Ashlyn Helmeczi,
Akilah Babyak,	Ashlyn Hawcutt,
Cassandra Nagy,	Taryn Roberts,
Reese Newton,	Teagan Kuntz,
Carlie Moore,	Teasa Morrison – Red Shirt

Assistant Coach: Taylor Stauch

Oct. 28/29 – Sr. Girls Volleyball home tournament

Sr. Girls B Volleyball Team 2016 – Coach Ms. LeSann

Kaydence Banga,	Rachel Berthelet,	
Hannah Schlamp,	Parker Stevens,	
Christine Babyak,	Bailey Luce,	
Amber Nicholauson,	Robyn Powers,	
Ashley Ratti,	Trinity Shewfelt,	
Shae-Lynn Forster,	Shaelin Kweens,	and Emily Regular
Alexis Chewka,	Kelslyn Geddes,	and Jessica Brar

Jr. Boys Volleyball Team 2016 – Coach Ms. Chewka and Ms. Gogol

Mathew Metz,	Ryder Burns,
Elijah Williams,	Austin Jones,
Connor Gareau,	Terris Duchek,
Kayden Tocher,	Dalton Norek,
Cole Reimer,	Jay Newton,
Braxten Giroux,	Ryder Bomberak,

Carson Kuntz, and Jacksen Lippai
Practices and games will be Mondays and Wednesdays.

We will be putting a team together for all grade sixes that want to learn to play.

Jr. Girls Volleyball Team 2016 – Coach Ms. Straker

Amelia Baker, Diana Handzii,
Callie Helmeczi, Austin Leposa,
Dakota Mutrie, Natalie Newton,
Makenna Vinish, Kiara Wiechert,
Estelle Dunster, Sara Lajeunesse,
MdKinley Rodgers, Kendall Walker,
Marie Dunster, Haily Neyedly,
Red Shirt: Quinn Gogol

Oct. 15 – Jr. Girls Volleyball home tournament

CLUBS

Sr. ESA- Mr. Marchand-

The SR. ESA met at a retreat and as a group chose the activities they would like to see take place throughout the year. There is now a year plan with activities, dates, and people responsible for each activity. Some of those dates are in this newsletter and the remainder will be posted on the website.

Meetings are every Tuesday at noon for approximately 15 minutes.

Sept. 29 - Sr. ESA provides a free BBQ lunch after the Terry Fox walk.

Jr. ESA- Mrs. Walker

Our Jr. ESA is up and running and many activities will be planned in the next couple of weeks. Congratulations to our two ESA presidents this year, Felice Rieger and Kendall Walker. We are excited to have around 40 students to help us plan and organize activities this year.

Activist

Students from grades 9-12, are welcome to come join the activist group. We will continue on fundraising to reach our goal of \$10,000 for water projects. We also discuss and create social awareness issues. We meet every Monday at noon hour in the leap room. New members are always welcome!!!

We will also be having a bake sale every Thursday at the end of the month. Cupcakes and other baked goods will be sold for a dollar.

Note if any names were misspelled or omitted please contact Mrs. Marchand and a correction will be made.

KEY CONFERENCE- Grade 6-12- Sept. 15, 2016

Knowledge Empowers You!

EHS is hosting a conference for all grades on Thursday, Sept. 15. The day focuses on decision making for pre-teens and teens. Navigating the teen years can be difficult and often a time of anxiety and anticipation. On September 15, students will be exploring the world they live in and gaining some important education to help them on their journey to adulthood.

KEYNOTE

Mitch Dorge (drummer of the Crash Test Dummies) from Winnipeg will be joining us to talk about FINDING HAPPINESS. With laughter and music Mitch will connect with his audience the importance of being resilient and optimistic about life as you find success for your future.

WORKSHOPS

Students will be attending workshops that are designed to fit the stages of the life they are currently experiencing and making critical decisions as they mature.

Grade 6 & 7- Workshop 1- My Online Life

Workshop 2- The Teen Years-Resilience

Grade 8- Workshop 1- Drugs-The Harsh Realities* Workshop 2- The Teen Years- Resilience

Grade 9- Workshop 1- Drugs- The Harsh Realities* Workshop 2 - You and the Law*

Grade 10- Workshop 1- The Human Condition: Depression* Workshop 2- You and the Law*

Grade 11 & 12- Workshop 1 (gender specific)- Woman's World* OR Man's World*

Workshop 2- Workplace Etiquette Panel Discussion

**These workshops are mature in their content.

Any questions please contact Mrs. Parsons at the school.

Thank you to the professionals from Mrs. Lajeunesse, Ms. McDill and Ms. McLaughlin of the Sunrise Health District, Constable Farrough of the RCMP, Ms. Raine, Ms. Petracek, and Mr. Leidl of GSSD, and Mr. Kirkwood from Noble Construction who have shared their knowledge to educate our students.

We know that knowledge is power and educating our students to make informed decisions as they grow and mature is essential.

We hope that all enjoy the day!

- 1. Sign Up for Driver Education at the School**
 - Participants must be 15 years of age by November 14th, 2016
- 2. Get your Identification – 2 pieces**
 - Birth Certificate (Mandatory)
 - One other - Health Card, Passport, Treaty Card etc.
- 3. Take Identification in to an SGI Issuers and obtain an SGI Customer number (Fee \$10.00 if you want picture ID, Free if you don't want a picture ID)**
 - Will get a temporary card
 - Picture Identification will be sent in mail
- 4. Bring SGI Identification to Driver Education Course plus the ID**
- 5. Take and participate in Driver Education Course**
 - Attendance mandatory
 - Students are legally allowed to drive with SGI Certified instructor for one hour at this time
- 6. Once SGI Exams are completed and passed student can go validate their learners, usually after the first 8 hours of in-class training (Fee \$25.00 max)**
 - You will require the Identification (SGI) and Signature form provided by the instructor to take into SGI
 - Students can now drive with their learners and a class 5 driver in passenger seat and finish the hours with instructor
 - After having learners for 9 months and 16 years of age a student can go for their Drivers Licence by booking online
- 7. Finish the In-Class and In-Car course and the student successfully completes program**
- 8. Students will receive a wallet card certificate indicating that they have completed the course and will have to present this card for the driver's test a minimum of 9 months after they validated their learners and at least 16 years of age. Fee for Drivers Test with SGI \$22.00**

For more information check online with sgi.sk.ca

Questions for instructor; use facebook messenger or become friends with "Mcs Driver Ed" or text (306) 961-2202

Driver Education

2016/17 Semester 1 Schedule

Month	Time	Day		Date	# hours
September	8:54-12:11	6	Tuesday	27th	3.25
September	1:05-3:14	3	Friday	30th	2.2
October	8:54-12:11	5	Tuesday	4th	3.25
October	1:05-3:14	2	Friday	7th	2.2
October	1:05-3:14	5	Friday	14th	2.2
October	8:54-12:11	1	Tuesday	18th	3.25
October	8:54-12:11	6	Tuesday	25th	3.25
November	8:54-12:11	5	Tuesday	1st	3.25
November	1:05-3:14	2	Friday	4th	2.2
November	1:05-3:14	3	Monday	7th	2.2
November	8:54-12:11	4	Tuesday	8th	3.25

Note This Semester 1 Schedule is for students who will be 15 by November 14th, 2016.

Semester 2 will happen in 2017 and is for students who will be 15 by March 10th, 2017.

The list of students that qualify for semester 2 driving is at the office posted in the window. All students are to check to see if they qualify to be on the list and let Mrs. Marchand know if there are to be any changes. Thank you.

September 1, 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians :

The safety of our children is of top priority for all of us. We, the Good Spirit School Division and Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools, are involved in intensive safety training with our community partners. Together, we developed a plan for responding to high-risk behaviours. High-risk behaviours include, but are not limited to, possession of weapons, bomb threats and threats to injure oneself or others.

This letter is to inform you that GSSD/CTTCS school systems have a policy that requires principals to initiate a "threat assessment" in all cases of students displaying any type of high-risk behaviour. Should you wish to review the "Administrative Procedure 165: Safe Schools" or "Administrative Procedure 354: Threat Assessment", please visit our websites at either www.gssd.ca or www.christtheteacher.ca. The purpose of these assessments is to determine how best to support high-risk students so that their behaviour does not become hurtful or destructive. If your child comes home and tells you that a student has behaved in a threatening way at school, please advise your principal and be assured that your principal will be taking measures to deal with the situation in a positive and proactive manner. If your principal invites you to a meeting to discuss safety concerns about your own child, please be assured that the procedure is being followed and that the primary goal is safety, not punishment.

This letter is intended to serve our community with fair notice that we, as school communities, will not accept "no response" to a serious threat. Our goal is to respond to all threats in a professional manner that provides for a healthy and caring learning environment.

We are pleased to provide, in conjunction with our community partners, a safe environment for all of our students.

Sincerely,



Quintin Robertson
Acting Director of Education

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Barb Mackesy
Director of Education

EHS September 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Note Picture Retakes are Oct. 26			1 Day 1 Registration Day	2 Day 2 Sr. Football home game at 7pm	3
4	5 Labor Day	6 Day 3	7 Day 4	8 Day 5 SR. ESA Retreat	9 Day 6 Picture Day Sr. ESA Retreat	10
11	12 Day 1	13 Day 2 Jr. Football Home Game at 7pm	14 Day 3	15 Day 4 Gr.6-12 Key Conference Cross Country Run Sr. Golf Districts	16 Day 5	17
18	19 Day 6	20 Day 1 Jr. Football Home Game played in Churchbridge	21 Day 2 Cross Country Race—Deer Park	22 day 3	23 Day 4	24
25	26 Day 5	27 Day 6	28 Day 1 Magazine Campaign Launch @1:45	29 Day 2 2015/16 Academic Awards 9:30 am—Terry Fox Walk @ 11am Free BBQ lunch for students @ noon	30 Day 3 U of S Open House	13