

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

LATEST NEWS

As we step into the Christmas season of 2024, we are reminded of the many wonderful things the year brought.

We want to express our deepest gratitude to our amazing staff, dedicated students, and supportive parents for making our recent semester of learning a success.

In the true spirit of Christmas, we're continually seeking ways to spread light and fun within our school and beyond. With a bustling month ahead, please check out our website for the amazing activities we have planned moving forward.



And don't forget—before the chilly winter fully sets in, take a moment to head outdoors and soak in the milder weather!

Wishing you a season filled with hope, joy, and peace.

Welcome the Snow and Frost!

Some news from the Science classes, we have started to do weekly labs and hope to continue doing them weekly. So far we have pulled some DNA from strawberries and made Ice Cream in a Bag. We might try the ice cream again to test if there is a difference between the different salts and how cold they get in the Ziploc bags. We are having fun testing our skills and finding connections in our day-to-day lives. It has been a pleasure working with the students and their different discoveries through these experiments.

We are coming up on the Winter Break, which is a great time to relax and recuperate from all the busyness of school. However, we are also coming up fast to the end of semester 1. If you can still try to get some assignments done or try to study for your exams, so your courses stay fresh in your minds that would be really great.

~ Ms. Rymer

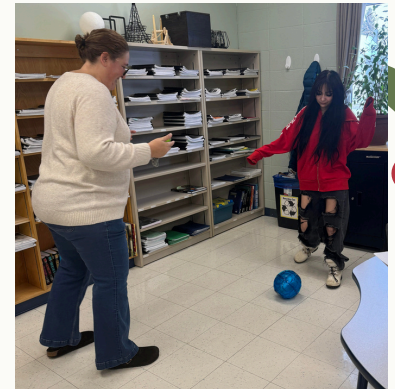


Reminders

Students remember to accept Google classroom invitations to receive class updates for the course.

Bowling Reminder

December 18 WO students will be going bowling on December 18 in the am. Students make sure your parents/guardians complete the online permission form.





Registration Forms

There are a number of outstanding registration forms. Please log into PowerSchool as soon as possible to complete these forms in school engage.

Christmas Break

Our last full day of school is Friday, December 20, 2024. School Reopens on January 6, 2025.

~ Happy Holidays

Upcoming Events

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DHot chocolate and Candy Cane Day

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Dress Like and Elf Day

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18**

Pancake Breakfast
Bowling

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20**

Last Day of Classes
Ugly Christmas Sweater Day



Community Events

Church of God is running a used toy drive. Parents can drop off toys that they no longer need/want, and they will clean them up and put new batteries in them etc. Then the market will open for anyone in the community to come and select Christmas gifts to take home. Wrapping is included. Donation week is November 25 to 29.

They are also offering a Grace for Grief session on December 18 at 7 PM for anyone who has suffered a loss and is having a hard time due to the holiday season.

Shopping happens on December 7 and parents just need to book a 30-minute time slot to shop on the website: <https://www.wetcog.org/shop>



CCP Holiday Train

Wednesday, December 11, 2024

The CP Holiday Train rolls through Alberta this December, bringing lights, music, and holiday cheer to tons of communities across the province.

Every year, the Holiday Train travels through dozens of communities raising food and cash donations for North American food banks. There are only two Holiday Trains: the US Holiday Train and the Canada Holiday Train. The tour will feature tons of free live shows, and this year's lineup includes a variety of stand-out artists, including American Authors, Magic!, Sofia Camara, and Tyler Shaw.

Date: December 11, 2024

Time: 5:45 PM

Address: Wetaskiwin, AB

INDIGENOUS GAMES IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS

Ms. Littlechild invited Mr. Warren Washburn into her PE class to teach the kids about Indigenous games.




Top 10 Skilled Trades in Alberta

Are you interested in learning a skilled trade but aren't sure which one is right for you?

It can be an overwhelming decision, but we have gathered some key information about the top 10 trades in Alberta to get you started! The top ten trades list represents the trades that are projected to be in the most demand over the next ten years.

If you don't think one of these trades is the right fit – that's ok! We recommend looking at profiles for these and many more career options on Tradesecrets and alis to find the right fit for you and your skillset.



Electrician

Average Salary: \$ 80,275	Employment Rate: 90.4%	Average Hours Worked: 40.50
Average Hourly Rate: \$ 37	Registered Apprentices: 7,624	Labour Force: 19,583

Electricians install, alter, repair, and maintain electrical systems designed to provide heat, light, power, control, signal or fire alarms for all types of buildings, structures and premises.

Skills Required: Communication skills including reading skills, math, mechanical ability, physical strength and stamina, ability to distinguish colours to work with colour-coded wiring.



Plumber

Average Salary: \$ 74,282	Employment Rate: 96.3%	Average Hours Worked: 39.30
Average Hourly Rate: \$ 29	Registered Apprentices: 2,744	Labour Force: 10,271

Plumbers plan, install and service plumbing systems, fixtures, piping equipment and controls. These piping systems may be used to transport water, waste, gases, or hot liquids.

Skills Required: Strength, stamina, agility, mechanical ability, ability to work alone or with others.



Heavy Equipment Technician

Average Salary: \$ 80,789	Employment Rate: 97%	Average Hours Worked: 41.10
Average Hourly Rate: \$ 44	Registered Apprentices: 630	Labour Force: 17,666

Heavy equipment technicians maintain, repair, and overhaul heavy vehicles and industrial equipment.

Skills Required: Good vision, hearing and sense of smell, strength and stamina, mechanical ability, ability to work alone or as part of a team, ability to think logically, interest in all types of machinery and engines, electronics and precision equipment.



Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Mechanic

Average Salary: \$80,126	Employment Rate: 97.3%	Average Hours Worked: N/A
Average Hourly Rate: \$ 39	Registered Apprentices: 1,159	Labour Force: 6,063

Refrigeration and air conditioning mechanics install, maintain, repair and overhaul industrial, commercial, and residential refrigeration and air conditioning systems and their component parts.

Skills Required: Mechanical skill, coordination and manual dexterity, strength and stamina, ability to work with others and deal with customers, ability to drive a service truck to work sites.



Auto Body Technician

Average Salary: \$ 73,818	Employment Rate: 96.2%	Average Hours Worked: 40.50
Average Hourly Rate: \$ 31	Registered Apprentices: 3,482	Labour Force: 17,083

Auto body technicians repair and replace damaged motor vehicle structures and body parts, and interior and exterior finishes. They may specialize in damage appraisal, frame straightening, surface preparation, sheet metal work, and refinishing.

Skills Required: Good hearing, eyesight, manual dexterity, mechanical ability, working knowledge of electricity, electronics, computers and customer service skills.



Steamfitter-Pipefitter

Average Salary: \$ 86,783	Employment Rate: 82.6%	Average Hours Worked: 41.90
Average Hourly Rate: \$ 43	Registered Apprentices: 2,866	Labour Force: 8,833

Steamfitter-pipefitters lay out, assemble, fabricate, maintain and repair piping systems which carry water, steam, chemicals or fuel used in heating, cooling, lubricating and other processes.

Skills Required: Strength, stamina, manual dexterity, precision, ability to work at heights, ability to communicate and co-ordinate with other trades, as well as the ability to work as a team.





Industrial Mechanic (Millwright)

Average Salary:	\$83,433	Employment Rate:	92.5%	Average Hours Worked:	40.30
Average Hourly Rate:	\$43	Registered Apprentices:	1,801	Labour Force:	13,083

Industrial mechanics (millwrights) install, maintain, repair and troubleshoot stationary industrial machinery and mechanical equipment in sites such as factories, production plants and recreational facilities.

Skills Required: Strength, stamina, co-ordination and manual dexterity, knowledge of proper lifting techniques, ability to visualize a layout by looking at plans and blueprints, ability to trouble-shoot mechanical systems, and ability to get along with others.



Ironworker

Average Salary:	\$73,321	Employment Rate:	94.5%	Average Hours Worked:	41.80
Average Hourly Rate:	\$42	Registered Apprentices:	774	Labour Force:	3,250

Ironworkers (metal building systems erectors) fabricate, construct and join scaffolding. Ironworker (reinforcing/structural/ornamental) tradespeople place and tie reinforcing material, join scaffolding, and perform post tensioning.

Skills Required: Comfort with heights, a safety-conscious attitude, precision, strength and stamina, co-ordination, agility, balance, and the ability to work as part of a team.



Welder

Average Salary:	\$78,071	Employment Rate:	92.9%	Average Hours Worked:	40.20
Average Hourly Rate:	\$41	Registered Apprentices:	3,551	Labour Force:	15,625

Welders join or sever metals in beams, girders, vessels, piping and other metal components, make metal parts used in construction and manufacturing plants, and weld parts, tools, machines and equipment.

Skills Required: Manual dexterity, good vision (glasses are acceptable), eye-hand coordination, attention to detail, and patience.



Carpenter

Average Salary:	\$72,252	Employment Rate:	84.1%	Average Hours Worked:	41.80
Average Hourly Rate:	\$34	Registered Apprentices:	2,509	Labour Force:	15,770

Carpenters construct, renovate, erect and repair buildings and other structures made of wood, wood substitutes, steel, concrete and other materials.

Skills Required: Manual dexterity, balance for working on scaffolding, and math skills, the ability to follow and communicate written instructions, and the ability to work as a team.

HAPPY

Holidays

