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December 7, 2023

### **DEADLINE IS TOMORROW - CHRISTMAS IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!**

Staff at EPS are busy getting events planned for our Christmas season. Please see the attached Festival of Trees information. **Deadline for entries is Friday, Dec 8**<sup>th</sup>. Please call the school office to enter.

<u>SENIOR'S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON</u> will be held on Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>! Please spread the word to the seniors in our community. Phone the office at 780-755-3810 to save your seat today. See attached.

It is a real pleasure to invite the senior citizens of our community, past and present, to enjoy a Christmas Dinner prepared by our students and staff. To make this happen we rely on **Grade 9-12 students** to supply some of the groceries required to prepare the meal. A note with your child's grocery item was sent home today. Please ensure that your item is at the school by December 19th. If local businesses would like to donate towards the turkeys for the luncheon, it will be very appreciated. We also require 2 senior high parent helpers in the kitchen. Please reach out to <a href="mailto:brandon.thompson@btps.ca">brandon.thompson@btps.ca</a> if you have questions, wish to donate, or can help.

<u>YEARBOOK INFO</u> - Thank you everyone for your continued support of our yearbook club. We are still looking for drivers for our Subway & McDonald's lunch days, so please let us know if you are willing to be a pick-up person for us?

The following is a link and code for our parents and community to use to upload photos to our book. There are many times where our staff aren't available to take photos of our awesome students, so this is an easy way to share your photos with us to be used in our yearbook. If you have any questions, please contact either Mrs. Moran or Mrs. Seifried at the school.

https://community.lifetouch.ca/invite?code=EDGERTON-EAGLES-24 EDGERTON-EAGLES-24 **PROVOST MUSIC FESTIVAL:** It is festival time again and we are happy to provide you with everything you need to be a part of the 2024 Provost Music Festival. In 2024, the festival will take place from April 7 - 12, with Color Night Showcase to follow on April 13.

An entry package outlining dates, rules, registration information, important reference links, as well as some changes and important notes to the current provincial syllabus can be obtained at the Edgerton School office. In addition to paper forms, entries can be filled out and submitted from the festival website.at provostmusicfestival.com. The entry deadline is January 26, 2024.

Please contact us if you have any questions or need assistance. Entry forms can be submitted to <a href="mailto:pmfaentries@gmail.com">pmfaentries@gmail.com</a>, and any other correspondence can be sent to <a href="mailto:provostmusicfestival@gmail.com">provostmusicfestival@gmail.com</a>.

We wish you all the best as you make your selections and prepare for the festival experience. We look forward to seeing you in the new year!

### SAVE THE DATE Vermilion and District Rotary Music Festival

The 2024 Festival will be held April 15th to 20th, 2024.
Registration will open the first week of January!
Visit our Website often for updates and information.
https://www.vermilionmusicfestival.ca/

### **Attachments:**

- 1. BRITE Information
- 2. School Spirit Week
- 3. Festival of Trees
- 4. Seniors Christmas Luncheon
- 5. Edgerton Public Library Colouring Contest
- 6. Eagles Nest Christmas Info
- 7. Screenagers Family Movie Night
- 8. January Exam Schedule

### **BRITE South Schools Mental Health Program**



Anti-Bullying Week 2023 took place from Monday 13th - Friday 17th November. The theme was "Make A Noise About Bullying". Various activities took place within our communities to bring this very important topic to the forefront to spark conversations and offer more information about how to prevent bullying. In November, the BRITE program alongside the Edgerton teachers and administration, started the anti-bullying conversation with the Edgerton Junior High students focused around the power of communication through the "Words Matter" presentation. The conversation focused on challenging our perceptions, bias and the words



When someone says or does something unintentionally hurtful and they do it once, that's **RUDE**.

When someone says or does something intentionally hurtful and they do it once, that's **MEAN**.

When someone says or does something intentionally hurtful and they keep doing iteven when you tell them to stop or show them that you're upset—that's **BULLYING**.

that we use as well as highlighting the importance of the bystander in bullying situations. Lots of great ideas were discussed and it was our intent to continue the messaging about this topic. As such, Mr. Sunderland was able to arrange another presentation.



A phenomenon in which bystanders do not help a victim when other people are present. The more people are present, the less likely anyone is to offer assistance.

On December 7, 2023, the Edgerton School had the privilege to welcome Constable Lisa Harrower and Constable Mike Hamilton from the Wainwright RCMP Detachment to talk to our Grade 3 to Grade 9 students about the Impact of Bullying. Bullying exists in our schools, online and in our community, involving both children and adults. This awesome and informative presentation initiated more discussion around the aspects of bullying, our personal responsibility around our actions/words and strategies to help prevent bullying. On behalf of the Edgerton School

administration, teachers and students, I would like to extend our thanks to both Constable Lisa Harrower and Constable Mike Hamilton not only for their presentation but their work safeguarding our communities. We look forward to working with both of you again in the future.



### Facts About Bullying



### FACT:

71% of youth between 12 and 17 years old disclosed facing at least one instance of bullying over the past year.



### Frequency and Forms

- 42% of bullied youth face it monthly, 58% sporadically.
- 59% experience verbal insults like name-calling.
- 34% deal with rumor-spreading, 32% are excluded from groups.

# To the bystander IF YOU STAND BY AND DO NOTHING YOU ARE PART OF THE PROBLEM. CHOOSE TO BE PART OF THE SOLUTION.



### YOU CAN PLAY A ROLE AS:

- An Instigator (egg on or start the bullying)
- A Model (demonstrating good behaviours for others)
- A Participant (joining in the bullying)
- An Observer (creating an audience for the bully)

### MAKE YOUR CHOICE.

Each person who witnesses bullying has the choice whether to:

- Do nothing and let it happen
- Report bullying incidents
- Do something to stop or distract the person doing the bullying
- Do something to help or support the person being targeted

### **FACTS**

When youth stand up and speak out against bullying they are successful in stopping the bullying behaviour 57% of the time *in about 10 seconds!* 

Youth who laugh, agree or cheer only encourage the behaviour. Refuse to go along with bullying or harassment—Instead, take the side of the youth who is being bullied.

### SPEAK UP

Tell an adult that you trust, such as a parent, teacher, coach, counselor or principal.

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"Wear Christmas PJ's on Monday 18th"

"Dress Like A Candy Cane Tuesday 19th"



"Winter White-Out Wednesday 20th"



Earn points for your House Teams!!!

Show your holiday spirit and Dress Up!!!



"Christmas Movie Character Thursday 21st"

"Ugly Christmas Sweater Friday 22nd"



# ~ Festival of Trees~

Local community organizations and businesses are invited to participate in this year's **Festival of Trees** at **Edgerton Public School**. We are excited to collaborate with the community again to create a festive experience for all to enjoy!

If you would like to participate, your organization/ business will need to decorate a **themed** Christmas tree to be set up in the gym. Set-up will occur on December 15th (2:00 pm-4:30 pm). Take-down will need to occur December 21st.

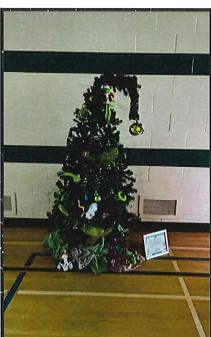
### \*\*Christmas trees are not supplied\*\*

You can go the traditional route and pick a theme for the decorations on your tree, or you can create a non-traditional Christmas tree that reflects your organization or business (see below for some examples of last year's trees).

Community members can view and vote on the trees **Tuesday, December 19th** while attending the Elementary Christmas Concert (7-9 pm) or **Wednesday, December 20th** while attending the Seniors' Luncheon (11:30 am-2 pm).

To reserve a spot for your organization or business, please phone the **Edgerton Public School office** at 780-755-3810 or email **Brie Glaicar** at <a href="mailto:brieanne.glaicar@btps.ca">brieanne.glaicar@btps.ca</a>.









## Edgerton Public Library Coloring Contest

Categories

Age 5 & Under Years Old - Gingerbread Man Age 6-7 Years Old-Gnome & Merry Christmas Age 8-9 Years Old - Bells & Merry Christmas Age 10-12 Years Old- Frosty the Snowman

Age 13-14 Years Old - Candy Cane

& Merry Christmas

Age 15 & Older - Tree Ornaments &

Season's Greetings

Pictures to color available at Library, Edgerton Foods & Waddell Home Hardware

Submit Colored Pages to Edgerton Public Library by: Monday, December 18, 2023



Prizes In Each Category: 1st- \$10.00 2nd- \$5.00



OUR MAGICAL ELVES ARE READY TO HELP YOUR CHILD PICK OUT A GIFT YOU DESERVE!





**SCREENAGERS**: **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT** 

UNDER THE INFLUENCE

Award-winning film addressing **VAPING, DRUGS, & ALCOHOL** among youth in the digital age

Screen this movie for **FREE** from the comfort of your own home anytime from

**December 15, 2023** to January 15, 2024

To get your free link to the film, scan the QR code or contact Wainwright FCSS

780-842-2555/Community@wainfcs.ca





# **JANUARY 2024 EXAM SCHEDULE**

	Monday 8	Tuesday 9	Wednesday 10	Thursday 11	Friday 12
1			ELA 30-1/2 Part A Diploma		
	Monday 15	Tuesday 16	Wednesday 17	Thursday 18	Friday 19
4					
	Monday 22	Tuesday 23	Wednesday 24	Thursday 25	Friday 26
	Math 30-1/2 Diploma	ELA 30-1/2 Part B Diploma			Social Studies 20-1/2 (Periods 1/2)
12:32 PM			Physics 20 (Periods 5/6)		Social Studies 10- 1/2 (Periods 5/6)
	Monday 29	Tuesday 30	Wednesday 31		
	General Sociology 20 (Period 2)	LAST STUDENT DAY	No School for students (Classes resume		
12:32 PM	Biology 20 (Periods 5/6) CALM (Periods 7/8)		Wednesday, February 5 <sup>th</sup> )		

Parents & Guardians: Regular classes for grades 7 to 10 students will continue until Tuesday, January 30th. Regular classes for grades 11 to 12 students will continue in each of their courses until the final exam.