

PENHOLD CROSSING SECONDARY SCHOOL



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Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 - February Message

Chinook's Edge values guide our efforts at every school

A Message from the Board of Education

It is highly gratifying in our role of Trustee to have many opportunities to visit our schools and see that our division's values are at the core of every interaction with students. In Chinook's Edge, we worked together to build our mission and vision statements on core values that inform our work on behalf of the students we serve. They guide our relationships at every level of our school division, and impact the potential of each student as an individual.

Our Mission and Vision statements are present in every classroom in our division, as a reminder to our students of the steadfast values that guide all of our efforts in Chinook's Edge. Our teachers and school staff recognize the uniqueness of every child in our care and encourage each one to achieve success. As Trustees, we are extremely proud of these efforts and priorities in our Chinook's Edge learning community.

Colleen Butler, Chair

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Parents Matter! Your Trustee is always available and happy to hear from you. Visit the Board section of our website at www.cesd73.ca for their individual contact information. Superintendent Kurt Sacher can be contacted directly from the Board section, as well.

Mission:

Chinook's Edge School Division will engage every student in meaningful learning by challenging, encouraging and believing in them.

Vision:

Chinook's Edge School Division will be universally recognized as a collaborative learning community where learning is personalized for all students to achieve

Principal's Message for March

Career Education

Our grade 12 students are very much engaged with looking ahead to life after high school. They have been provided with many opportunities to plan for the world of post-secondary and to explore careers. It is important to note that this process actually begins in middle school. We encourage all of our students to set goals and to use our on-line resource, myBlueprint, to explore careers and education after grade 12. Our plan is to have all students in grades 7 to 12 using this important career planning resource by the end of the year.

Have you Checked Marks Lately?

We are well underway in the second semester with our middle school students in their new options and our high school students in their new courses. Parents are reminded to be checking Power School for their child's marks. If you are one of the few parents not using the on-line reporting system, please send Joanne an email at jduncan@cesd73.ca. She will be more than happy to provide you with the sign on information so that you can see how well your child is doing.

Important Events Coming Up

With the new semester and students in new courses, it is important that communication is occurring between home and school. We encourage you to contact the school or your child's teacher to discuss any concerns that you may have. Please be aware of the following dates:

- March 27th: Grade 6 Report Cards
- March 28th: Grade 6 Interviews
- March 30th: School Council Meeting
- April 12th: Parent Teacher Interviews
- April 14th - 23rd: Spring Break, New York Trip
- April 24th: 4Q Options for Middle School Begin
- April 28th: Report Card Day

This and That

- Parents can see our daily announcements on the school website:
<http://www.penholdcrossing.ca/>
- This year we have had a lots of clubs and events on the go to support student interest.

- Did you know that students have the opportunity to join the following?

All Grades

Dungeons and Dragons

Drama Club

Jazz Band

Book Club

Prayer Group – Monday Lunch

Ski Trips

Dances

Go Girls (Gr 6-8)

High School

Green Team

School Reach

Foreign Trip (Boston, New York,
Washington – April 14-23)



Green Teens Fundraiser

SEED SALES (flowers, vegetables & herbs) \$4.00 per packet

- Available until April 14th also can be purchased at Organic Spa & Salon in Penhold.



PenX "Green Teens" Seed Fundraiser



Thank you for supporting programs and initiatives of "Green Teens" school volunteer club.

This club operates on three principles:

1. **School Wide Environmental Education & Awareness** (running student/school contests, education, activities)
2. **Short Term School Goal** (currently working towards building a living green wall in our school common area which will purify & humidify the air, grow greenery & vegetables, as well as beautify our school.
3. **Long Term School Goals-Community & Provincial Partnerships**

All Seeds are Premium Heirloom, Organic, and non-GMO

Please return order form with payment (cash or cheque made out to Penhold Crossing School) & return form to one of the Green Teen Student Members (or Mrs. Christie-Bill)

Herbs		Vegetables		Flowers	
Seed Type	Number of Packets	Seed Type	Number of Packets	Seed Type	Number of Packets
Grandma Einck's Dill		Tennis Ball Lettuce		Mongolian Giant Sunflower	
Hidcote Blue Lavender (purple)		Burples Golden Beets		Foxglove Giant Spotted	
Chives		Red Surrey Carrots		Sweet Pea Mix	
Globe Basil		Swenson Swedish Snow Peas		Hungarian Blue Breadseed Poppy (purple)	
Triple Curled Parsley		Australian Butter Squash		Hidcote Blue Lavender (purple)	
Cilantro		Delaway Kale		Seashells Cosmos Mix	
Chives		Holmes Royal Red Radish		Birds & Butterflies Mix	
		Climbing French Bean		Milkweed (good for butterflies)	
		Sutton's Harbinger Peas			
		Double Yield Cucumber			
		Black Beauty Zucchini			
Total # of herb packets		Total # of Vegetable Packets		Total Number of Flower Packets	
			Total number of Packets in all categories	X \$4 each	Total Enclosed:
<p>Name of Purchaser & Contact Phone Number or Email:</p>					
<p>Connection to which student at the school (person we are to send your order home with)?</p>					

HANGING Flowers & Planters available April 17- May 19 and delivered June 1.

Assessment results show upward momentum in student success

A Message from the Superintendent

In Chinook's Edge, we measure student success in a number of ways, well beyond the important assessments that test scores provide. We look at whether our students are reading at grade level, if they feel safe at school, and if they feel equipped to continue striving toward their goals after graduation. Our most recent Accountability Pillar results from Alberta Education show a steady upward trend in many of these areas, and reflect the priorities in schools across our division where our staff focus their efforts on creating success for every student.

We are proud of our continued excellence in safe and caring measures, because we know that ensuring a safe and caring culture is the foundation for all other success. We also know that strong literacy skills are key to all learning, and Chinook's Edge is focused on literacy as a clear priority which is embedded in all subjects across all grades. We have created strategies to continue enhancing student achievement in academic excellence, career connections and social emotional learning outcomes, so that our students are prepared to continue achieving success throughout their lives.

Kurt Sacher
Superintendent

Nakiska Senior High Ski trip – March 2, 2017



Penhold Crossing Secondary School YEARBOOKS



Yearbooks are now available to order. This is a precious keepsake that will stand the test of time – durable, high quality and a great value. The price is \$30.00 and the order **deadline is May 31, 2017**. There are 2 options to order.

1. Order Online at YBPay.lifetouch.com with Yearbook ID Code 12144917.

2. Order Online through the Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 Website link "Quick Pay-Online Fee payment."

GRAD EVENTS

- Grad Photos – March 30, 31 & April 3



March 9 & 10 – NO School
March 23 @ 7:00 pm in the Learning Commons – Coffee House
March 24 – NO school; Staff Collaboration day
March 27 – Grade 6 Report Cards go home
March 28 – Grade 6 Parent Teacher Interviews
April 14 – 23 – NO School; Easter Break