

As we near the half way point for semester 2, I would like to sincerely thank the students, parents, staff and community members who have worked so hard and dedicated their time to make our school such a special place.

Our school has been selected to take part in an international study (PISA) that looks at Science, Reading, and Mathematics. Approximately 4,000 students from 112 schools across Canada will participate. We will have 58 grade 10 students writing the exam at the end of April.

We have also been selected to take part in a study to increase the transition rates of Alberta high school students to post-secondary education. The study will provide grade 12 students in selected schools with information and practical assistance with their applications to post-secondary education and financial aid. We are still waiting to hear about timelines for this project.

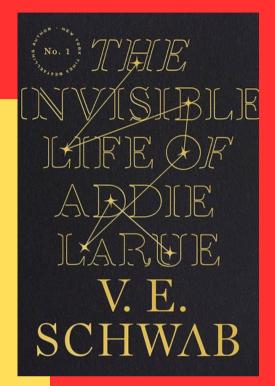
When we return from Spring Break, we have Parent Teacher Interviews scheduled for both our T.M.S and WR Myers programs. I would encourage you to attend. If your schedule does not permit it, please know that you are welcome to reach out to the teachers to find an alternate time to meet.

I myself am unable to connect with you that evening. I will be away helping to supervise our band trip from April 11-13. Please reach out if you have any questions or if I can be of assistance.

W.R. MYERS LIBRARY

Book Club has chosen the next book: 'The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue' by V.E. Schwab. Anyone is welcome to join, our next meeting is April 17th at lunch in the conference room.

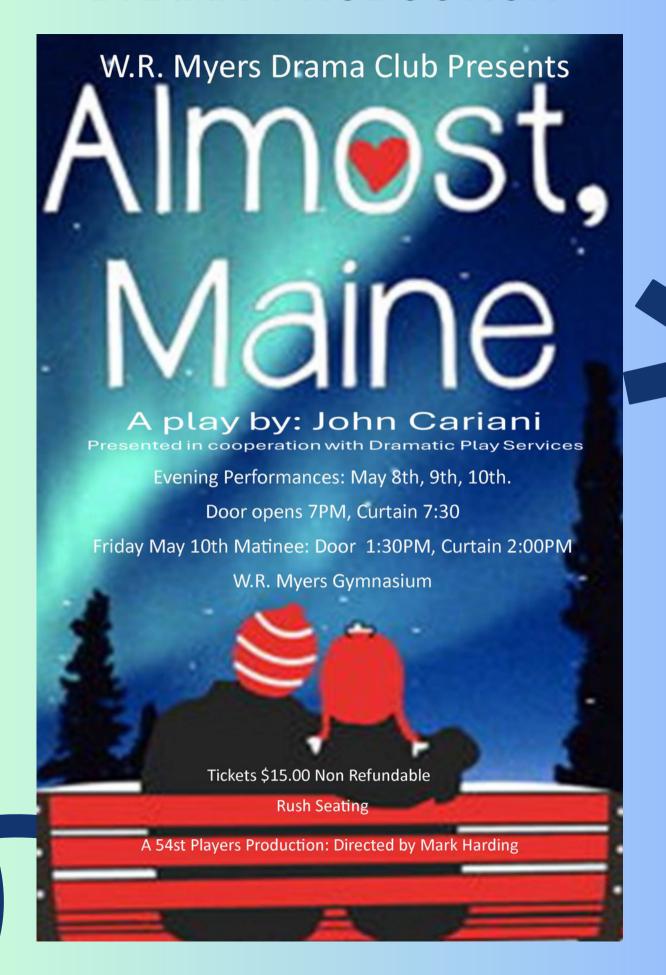
Please return any books or textbooks from last semester. If you have any questions about outstanding books, please come see Carly in the library.







DRAMA PRODUCTION





ATHLETIC DIRECTOR REPORT

Athletics continue to be so busy here at WR Myers!! We are constantly ending seasons and transitioning to the next.

We just wrapped up our basketball seasons for all six of our teams. We did not come away with any league or zone championships this year in basketball. However, all our teams competed hard and represented the school and community proudly. Well done!!

Our wrestling team also just finished up an amazing season. Our entire wrestling team qualified for provincials. At provincials our team won the 3A banner!! Huge congrats to our wrestling team!!

A big thank you goes out to all our coaches for dedicating so much to our programs. Our programs could not run without your time and continued support.

If anyone ever has a concern, wants to chat athletics or sports or look at dog pictures, my office is always open. That goes for parents and students. You can also call the school or send me an email at:

darrell.bergmann@horizon.ab.ca

Lets go Rebels!!



SV Boys Basketball



The WR Myers seniors boys basketball team had an amazing year in 2023/24!

We were led by five grade 12's this year who were all amazing.

We were able to finish the deep south league in a 3 way tie for first place. After a thrilling semifinal win vs Winston Churchill in zones, this led to a second place or silver finish overall for 3A boys basketball in Southern Alberta boys basketball. Unfortunately, there was only one berth for provincials this year so we missed out.

We were happy to win the Immanuel Christian tournament convincingly, with a second place finish in Claresholm and a third in the Chinook tourney.

We will have many talented players for next year. This year our graduating seniors were; Kade Hansen, Brigham Porter, Allen Clements, Tyson Harker, and Abe Neustaeter.

We wish them well in the future and are proud of their time at WR Myers!

Coach Dale Nielsen

SV Girls Basketball



The senior varsity girls basketball team had a great season.

A highlight of the year was winning the Rebel Classic in front of a packed gym of raucous fans. Although we didn't accomplish our goal of winning zones and playing for a provincial banner, we finished 2nd and can hold our heads high knowing we played our best.

Coach Chad McClenaghan





JV Boys Basketball



Nobody brought more passion and energy to the court than our JV boys Basketball team this season. The boys worked hard every practise and left it all on the floor every league game and tournament. We are proud of our JV boys basketball team and can't wait to see how much they grow for the next season!

Coaches Ian Harris & Cory Layton



JV Girls Basketball



"Our JV girls basketball team had a great year. We finished our season with a 15-5 record, winning two tournaments and finishing second in another. We won 8 of our 10 league games finishing second to Immanuel Christian with one of the games being a heartbreaking 1 point overtime loss. We had a lot of fun together and learned a little along the way. Go Rebels!!"

Coach Brooke Rasmussen

TI Boys Basketball



The WR Myers grade 9 boys basketball season was a basketball season like I have never experienced before. We experienced as a team, devastating losses and thrilling successes. Before our season even began we lost two of our potential starters to broken legs. We also tragically lost a member of our basketball family Chris "Big Daddy" Robinson who sadly and suddenly passed away over Christmas break. Chris is the father of one of our players, Brody Robinson. For the remainder of the season we as a team wore blue and green honor ribbons on our jerseys to show support for Brody and his family. These were Chris's favorite colors. Shortly into the new year, we lost another team member to a shattered patella bone.

Despite these losses, we also experienced some exciting successes. We witnessed one of our redshirted players, Andrew Shaw through his dedication to practice, improve substantially where I had the privilege of offering him a playing position on our team for the second half of the season. We finished second place in our divisional tournament and found ourselves battling hard for third place in our zones tournament. Through all of the ups and downs of the season, I was amazed to see the growth in each player both as an athlete, but more importantly as young men. These boys will become great men because of the hard things they experienced this year. I am grateful that I had the opportunity to experience this season along side them and see their development and growth firsthand.



T1 Girls Basketball



This basketball season our grade 9 girls showed serious determination. Even though the season was tough, us coaches noticed huge developments in their skill, teamwork, and dedication to the sport. We were constantly impressed by their positive attitudes in practice and their ability to dust themselves off and get back on the court.

They gave it everything they had and played outstanding at The Tier 1 Girls Tournaments in Bow Island, Brooks, and Medicine Hat with many close games. It was an amazing season and we are looking forward to seeing how the girls progress in the coming years.

Coaches Robyn Cram & Adam Piper

Curling

W.R. Myers had two curling teams this year, a Boys and a Girls. The Boys team was comprised of Gavin Zelinski (skip), Austin Nelson (third), Tate Nakashima (second), Riley Payne (lead) and Rowan Wallace (lead).

Unfortunately, the team lost to St. Mary's in Divisionals and did not attend Zones this year. The Girls team was comprised of Adison Hutzul (skip), Rebecca Carver (third), Mako Kanomato (second), Rylyn Clarke (second) and Zoey Brown (lead). The Girls team went to Zones. They won their pool and but finished with a bronze. Also, the teams had the opportunity to practice and meet with Team Bottcher, an Alberta team that is ranked in the top 5 in the world. It was amazing getting tips from these gentlemen.











Wrestling



After a tough first tournament it was a good introduction to the competition that we would be facing for the rest of the year. The team stepped up and took the competition by storm they gave it their all and to show for all their hard work they got a second place in rurals and with an extra push of determination and hunger for glory they captured our main goal of the season, thanks to the help of Ben Gardner, Ben Atwood, Tony Peters, Hugo Saenz Ramirez, Bryden O'Connor, and Nicolas Binnie we were able to secure the first place spot at provincials. This season was nothing but a great one, everyone grew not just as

athletes but as great young men and I can't wait to see what next season brings.



Band

Kiernan Gyepesi, Aubrey
Evanson, Tate Nakashima and
Maddi Nielson all participated
in the University of Lethbridge
Honour Band during Teachers
Convention. They had an







Cerebral Palsy Awareness Green Shirt day

Abigail Morgan, a Grade 12 student, organized activities on Monday, March 25th to celebrate World CP awareness day, a condition which she suffers from. She handed out #gogreen4cp bracelets, there was face painting by her friends, green nail painting by the Headstrong team, cupcakes made by the Foods classes ... and activities to educate others about Cerebral palsy. It was an awesome school event that brought everyone together!

Well Done Abigail!



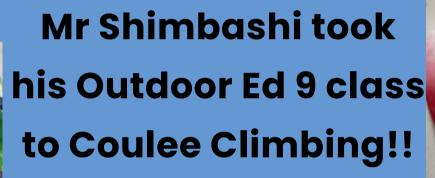






Outdoor Ed













GRADUATION UPDATE

Cap and Gown Graduation Ceremony May 24th Senior Banquet May 25th

Students are welcome to invite up to 8 guests to the graduation ceremony. Tickets for the ceremony are free and depending on availability more tickets will be available at a later date.

Please note that only students who are on track for achieving a High School Diploma, a High School Certificate of Achievement, or a High School Certificate of Completion will be allowed to participate in the Cap and Gown Ceremony. Graduation Credit checks for at-risk students must be completed prior to April 10th to verify eligibility to participate in the Cap and Gown ceremony. If you are concerned about your credits please contact Garth or Mr. Pritchard in student services or Mrs. Cooney or Mr. Dupuis in the office.

The Grade 12 Banquet will take place at the Taber Civic Centre. Each graduate can invite their parents and step-parents along with an additional guest to the banquet. Banquet tickets are \$35/ person and they are on sale now. You can purchase your tickets through School Cash online or by contacting the office. The last day to purchase tickets is April 23rd.

Table selection for the Grade 12 Banquet will begin on May 1. Table selection will be guided by staff in order to provide optimal seating for all. Please note: all school fees and grad fees
must be paid prior to table selection.

Cinderella Project

The Cinderella Project/Tux Shop is about celebrating graduating students who have faced financial hardships by providing them what they need to graduate with their peers. The program is focused on meeting the need for formal attire and creating an experience to remember.

Graduation is a milestone moment in a Youth's life, and without these resources, what could have been a negative moment of lack in their lives can be turned around to restore hope and dignity.

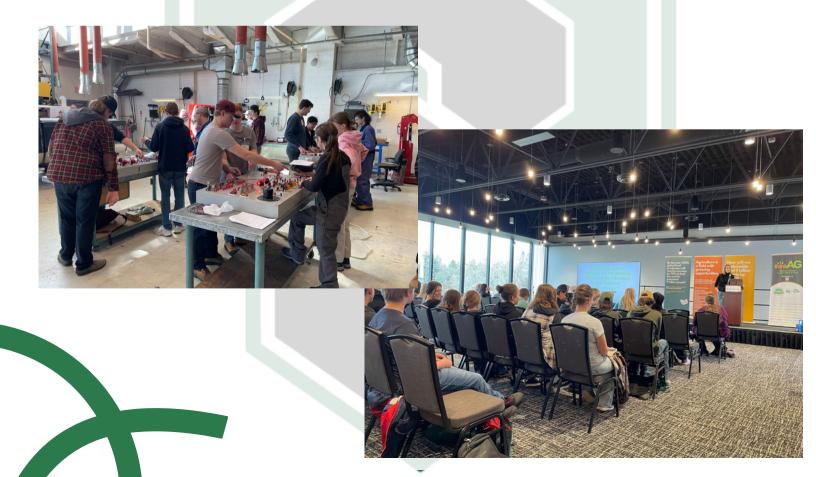
Link to register is on their website: https://mycitycare.ca/

TMS UPDATE

In our TMS program, we work to support our families' values while helping their students continue their education. Recently, we organized a spring potluck where families shared delicious food and discussed how our program name can be part of making sure those values are represented and reflected. Look for more details on this program name in the coming weeks.

Some of our high school students have had the chance to explore different careers. For example, several students attended the ThinkAg career fair in Lethbridge to learn about jobs in agriculture, and we plan to have some students attend the EPIC Career Day in Lethbridge on the 17th. Our goal is to help students discover different career paths after high school and understand how completing high school can support those goals.

Another unique opportunity available to TMS students as part of the broader WR Myers complex is the ability to participate in Dual Credit programs at Lethbridge college. Students can take college-level courses while in high school, earning both high school and college credits. Currently, two TMS students are in a trades program at Lethbridge College, learning about transportation trades. This hands-on experience can be valuable for future work, such as becoming a mechanic. If you're interested in your child joining such a program, please speak with Mr. Dupuis or Mr. Pritchard.



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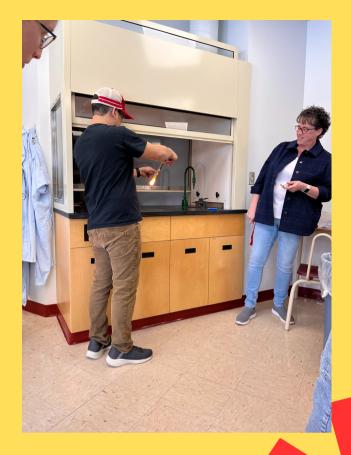
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Chemistry

Mr Shimbashi had some fun in Chemistry a few weeks ago when they got to experiment with Liquid Nitrogen!

Science is cool!









Spirit Power

May 11th 12th, 2024



Taber Community Centre & Auditorium 4720-50 Street

ing all Vendors & Food Trucks

1 TABLE & 2 CHAIRS \$75.00 per day or **\$100.00** for two days \$25.00 extra for table with power per day (limited tables) **NON-REFUNDABLE**



Register & e-transfer: esncatreasurer@gmail.com











Calendar

April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Easter Holidays	2 Easter Holidays	3 Easter Holidays	4 Easter Holidays	5 Easter Holidays	6
7	8 First day back	9	10 TMS Parent Teacher Interviews 3:30 pm	11 TMS Parent Teacher Interviews 3:30 pm WRM Parent Teacher Interviews 5:00 pm	12 ODD	13
14	15	16	17 Grad Committee Meeting 6:30 pm	18	19 EVEN	20
21	22	23 Last day to Purchase Grad Banquet tickets	24	25	26 ODD	27
28	29	30				

On Monday, April 8, there will be a partial solar eclipse in our area. It is expected to begin at 11:54 am, peak at 12:46 pm and finish by 1:39 pm.

Please know that observing the sun during this time can be very damaging to your eyes.

https://www.timeanddate.com/eclipse/in/canada/edmonton?iso=20240408 for more information about the eclipse.

https://opto.ca/eye-health-library/solar-eclipse-safety for information from the Canadian Association of Optometrists

REPORT AN ABSENCE

If your child is going to miss any school or needs to leave early please notify the office staff using one of the three options:

Phone 403-223-2292

Text 587-370-3812

Email wrm.attendance@horizon.ab.ca



School closed from Friday, March 29 till Monday, April 8th. Have a great break!