

REBEL ROUSER

NOV 2024 Edition



Principal's Report – Adam Hughes

Dear W.R. Myers Community,

November has been a fantastic month full of accomplishments and activities. Our fall sports teams finished strong, with the football team winning the league championship and competing at provincials. The girls' volleyball team placed second in their league, and the boys' volleyball team earned fourth in their zone. Congratulations to Kade Haslam, Karsyn Davis, and Lily Dunlop, who represented us well at Cross Country Provincials. We would like to thank all the coaches and volunteers that make our athletic teams function. Thank you for the countless hours you invest in our kids.

Grad planning is in full swing, and we held our second School Council meeting this month. Thank you to everyone who attended! Our next meeting is on January 8 at 7 p.m.—we'd love to see you there.

Our Career Corner has been busy hosting visits from professionals like dentists and early childhood educators, helping students explore potential career paths. We also had a meaningful Remembrance Day Ceremony, featuring a special address by Chris Nguyen. Thank you to all who helped make this event memorable.

Student Council launched their first movie night this month, and it was a big success! They're already busy planning another movie night in December and a variety of fun Christmas activities to bring the holiday spirit to our school.

Looking ahead, our winter sports teams—wrestling, curling, and basketball—are preparing for their seasons. Don't forget to join us on December 10 for our Christmas Band Concert, a wonderful evening of holiday music.

As we approach the holiday season, we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and happy holidays. Our last day of classes before Christmas is December 19, and we'll resume on January 6. Thank you for being part of our W.R. Myers family, and enjoy a joyful holiday season!

Warm regards,
Adam Hughes
Principal, W.R. Myers High School

Band



*W.R. MYERS
CHRISTMAS
CONCERT*

Featuring the Stage & Concert Band

Under the Direction of Andrea Makarchuk

**Tuesday, December 10 at 7 pm
In the W.R. Myers Gym**

Travel Club

We are going to Greece during Easter 2026. It is open to all Myers students and family. We are having an informational meeting on Thursday, December 5th at 6:00pm in the Myers library for anyone interested.



Careers



Garth Mouland, our Career practitioner took 3 Music students to a tour of the University of Lethbridge Digital Audio Arts program. They were able to view all the equipment including a \$700,000 recording console.



Career Programming

Helping Students Explore Career Opportunities

At Myers High School, we are dedicated to empowering students to explore their interests and prepare for life after graduation. Our exceptional Career Learning Team—Garth Mouland, Bryan Pritchard, and Sharla Kane—works hard to connect students with meaningful opportunities to discover and pursue their passions.

Through programs such as post-secondary exploratory days, evening career nights, job shadowing, and dual-credit learning, students can gain hands-on experience and insights into potential career paths.

Additionally, initiatives like work-experience placements, the Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP), and the Green Certificate Program provide practical learning and skill development in various industries.

To ensure we connect students with opportunities tailored to their interests, we've shared a Career Pathways Survey via email. The feedback from this survey allows us to match students with unique opportunities as they arise.

How You Can Support Your Child's Career Learning:

If your child hasn't yet completed the Career Pathways Survey, encourage them to check their email and submit it. (Students who didn't receive the email have already completed the form.)

Help them stay informed by signing up for SchoolMessenger. Simply text "Y" or "Yes" to 978338. This is our primary way of notifying students about new opportunities.

Together, we can help our students discover their future possibilities and build the skills they need to succeed!



Athletic Director

Our volleyball seasons have just wrapped up here at Myers. All our teams competed hard all season and represented Myers well. Our grade 9 girls placed 2nd in league playoffs and 3rd in zones. Our JV girls team won the league championship. Our SV girls finished 2nd in league playoffs and lost out in zones. Our JV boys finished 7th in our league. While our SV boys finished 3rd in our league and 4th in zones. A huge thank you to our coaches who dedicated so much time and effort to our programs.

Also finishing their season was our football team. Our football team had a strong season, but not the finish they were hoping for. Our boys finished 2nd in the South Zone and lost out in provincials to a tough program up in Cochrane.



T1 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL



We had a great season!! We won the Picture Butte tournament , Coaldale tournament , placed second in league, got silver in league playoffs then at zones placed 3rd (bronze).

Coach Leanne Friesen





JV BOYS VOLLEYBALL



The JV Boys Volleyball season was a season of skill development, hard work and fun. With six grade 9 players and four grade 10 players they were always the youngest and usually the shortest team on the court. But the team battled every point, every set, and every match. The team played scrappy defense that dug big hits and tracked down every loose ball with great enthusiasm. Every chance they got they played aggressive on offence as well – smart, aggressive choices was the team philosophy. Their first year in the Deep South Volleyball league they finished 7th. If they continue to improve as much as they did this year, they will surely finish higher next season!

Coach Darrell Bergmann





JV GIRLS VOLLEYBALL



2024 JV Volleyball season was a jammed packed, fantastic, and successful year! With Barnwell coming into W.R. Myers for grade 10, the team gelled extremely well. I knew we were going to have a great year right from the beginning and we kept that vibe going throughout the season. Not only did the team have an amazing connection on the court, we were undefeated in League and only lost one set at the League Championship in Coaldale at the start of November. I'm so proud of my team for how committed they were and their willingness to learn and grow as a unit. It goes to show how team connection, hard work and dedication pays off. I can't wait to see them in Senior Varsity! I'm really thankful for all my players, an amazing parent group and Coach Rob Easthope and Coach Randy Spenrath, who helped all season. It definitely takes a village. We couldn't have done it without everyone!! (and the sparkles).

Coach Cindy Kanomata





SV BOYS VOLLEYBALL



This year the Senior Varsity Boys had a successful and exciting season. We were able to win consolation in both the Lethbridge College Tournament and the Foothills Composite Tournament. Finally, to finish off the year we were able to get third in the league championship. The growth in the team was extraordinary and it will be sad to see the seniors go. We will be looking forward to next season.

Coach Mike Johnson





SV GIRLS VOLLEYBALL



The SV girls Volleyball team had a great season and it's sad to see it come to an end. They were a fantastic group of girls and this year will be one I will always remember. The girls worked hard, played hard and had some fun along the way. Some of the highlights from this season for me were the finals of the St. Mary's tournament, our trip in the Myers bus to Okotoks, and our seniors night against Immanuel Christian. We had 8 grade 12's on our team this year and they are all going to be missed. Not only are they all talented volleyball players, but they are all good people too! I am proud of each of them and can't wait to see what they do in the next chapter of their lives.

Coach Candice Gibb





FOOTBALL



2024 was another great season, that saw a number of highlights. Early in the season we beat the Cardston Cougars in Cardston, for the first time in our history. We went undefeated in league play, and were awarded the Lions Cup as the first ever Southland Football League 3A Conference Champions. We advanced to Provincials, but unfortunately came up short against a powerhouse Cochrane Cobras team. All in all, it was a very successful season, and one the players can definitely be proud of!

Coach Jason Jensen



Grad



This year's W. R. Myers Ceremony will consist of a Cap and Gown Graduation ceremony on May 23, 2025 followed by a Grade 12 Banquet on Saturday, May 24th.

The Bacon sale ended on Tuesday, December 3rd. The bacon will be available for pick-up and delivery to customers on Wednesday, December 18th.

A representative from Jostens will be at the school on Thursday, December 5th.

Baby pictures are due December 19th. Please upload 3-4 high resolution pictures to Google Classroom or send them to Mrs. Jensen at arica.jensen@horizon.ab.ca. If you need your pictures scanned, please bring them to the office.

WR Myers HS - Class of 2025 – Capture Your Memories!



School Varsity Jackets



Grad Rings & Jewelry



Class of 2025 Clothing & Gear

Order Day – Thursday, December 5

Time – 11:15 to 12:15

(get your finger sized, ask questions, try on rings, place your order)



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Sean & Denise Kelly – 403.252.1774 - sean.kelly@jostens.com

HCP UPDATE



HCP Program Newsletter

Fall has flown by, and Christmas is just around the corner! This season reminds us of the joy, hope, and love that comes with celebrating the birth of Jesus.

Our students have been busy with meaningful and exciting activities. In gym class, students have been trying new activities like skating and swimming. On December 10th, some high school students will take part in our next Leadership Day. Recently, grade 8 and 9 students participated in a career exploration event focused on jobs in agriculture. We are also planning more activities to help students learn about careers in Trades and Transportation. There are many opportunities for all students to explore different career paths. Please remind your child to check their email regularly for updates.

Important Reminders:

- If your child will be absent because of illness, family reasons, or an appointment, please call the school to let us know.
- If your family is planning to travel this winter, please try to tell the school at least two weeks before you leave. This will help us support your child's learning while you're away.

Upcoming Christmas Events:

- **Parent Cookie Decorating Night:** On December 12th at 7:00 PM, parents are invited to an evening of fellowship and fun. Enjoy coffee, meet other parents, and decorate (and taste!) Christmas cookies together.
- **Last Day of School Before Christmas Break:** December 19th will be our last day before the holidays.
 - **Morning:** Regular classes
 - **Lunch:** Potluck celebration for students
 - **Afternoon:** Fun Christmas activities
 - We'll share more details about the potluck and activities soon.

Thank you for your continued support. May your family be filled with peace and joy during this wonderful Christmas season.



W.R. MYERS SCHOOL APPAREL STORE



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Text communication



The Trusted Platform
for School Community Engagement

Parents and Guardians

You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.

You can participate in this free service* just by sending a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number:

For **CANADA-BASED** numbers: **978338**

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "Stop".



*if your number is Canada-based.

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now!**



**Just send "Y" or
"Yes" to
978338.**

(For Canada-based numbers).

*Terms and Conditions – Message frequency varies. Standard message and data rates may apply. Reply HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel. Mobile carriers are not liable for delayed or undelivered messages. See schoolmessenger.com/txt for more info.

Calendar

December 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Grad Hoodie Forms are Due	3	4	5 Jostens representative and display for Grad Jewelry 11:30 am Travel Club Meeting 6:00 pm	6 EVEN	7
8	9	10 WRM Christmas Concert 7:00 pm	11	12 Movie Night 6:30 pm	13 ODD	14
15	16	17	18	19 Grad Baby Pictures are Due	20 Christmas Break	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

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