

REBEL ROUSER

Feb 2025 Edition



Principal's Report – Adam Hughes

Dear W.R. Myers Community,

We've officially closed the book on Semester 1 and stepped into the opportunities of Semester 2! January has been a whirlwind of activity at W.R. Myers, filled with exams, sporting events, and preparations for exciting changes ahead.

Over the past couple of weeks, students completed Diploma Exams, Provincial Achievement Tests, and school-based finals for all core subjects. We're proud of their hard work and determination during this busy time.

Excitement is also building as we begin preparations for the upcoming renovations. Classrooms are already being relocated, with art classes now taking place in the cafeteria. During this transition, students will enjoy lunch in the Library or in their classrooms. In the coming months, more changes will occur, including band classes moving to the art room and teachers making space for the contractor crews. Thank you for your patience as we take these steps to create a revitalized school space. It's exciting to imagine how our school will transform!

Lastly, a reminder that Reading Week is just around the corner, from February 17 to 24 and G.9's from Feb 14-24. We hope our students and staff enjoy a well-deserved break. Thank you for your continued support of our school. Together, we're creating a positive, dynamic environment for learning and growth.

Warm regards,

Adam Hughes

Outdoor Ed

Dec 17, 2024
Mr Cody Friesen took an outdoor Ed 9 class to Coulee Climbing in Lethbridge for some fun indoors! The students and staff had a great trip there!



K&E Class



Starting this semester, the K&E class are taking Foods with Mrs. Halladay. They are all enjoying their time cooking in the kitchen!!

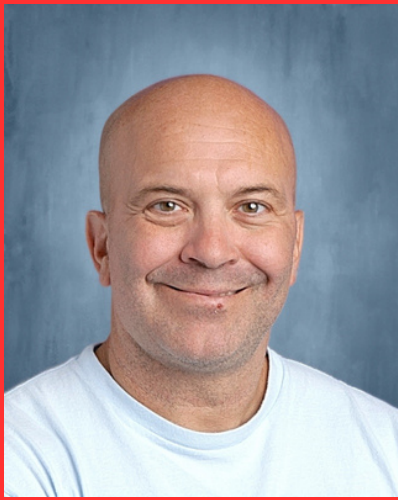


New staff

Hi everyone! My name is Harkirat Singh and I very recently joined the team at W.R. Myers High School and D. A. Ferguson. I graduated from the University of Lethbridge in April of 2024 and received my combined degree in a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Education. I am so thrilled to be starting my teacher career at my old high school and working alongside the wonderful staff here. It's going to be a great semester!



Hey everyone! My name is Emily Driedger and I am the new Educational Assistant for W.R Myers. I am a recent graduate from Carmangay School and I am so excited to be back in a school environment. I love the outdoors and being able to interact with new people. I'm so happy to be here and so thankful for this opportunity!



Athletic Director

**Wow, athletics in the winter months have not slowed down at all!!
We are absolutely rocking this winter at Myers!!**

We have 6 basketball teams all playing again this year. We have both boys and girls playing at the grade 9 level, JV and SV. In January we had both our JV and SV Rebel Classic tournaments. Between the two tournaments, we had 24 teams, 28 games, with thousands of fans packing 3 different gyms. In our JV tournament our boys finished second, while our girls team won the home tournament! In our 21st SV Rebel Classic, our boys won the Consolation side of the tournament. While our girls became back to back, repeat champs. All six of our teams are gearing up for league playoffs and zone competitions..

Winter also means wrestling. If you didn't already know, our wrestling team won provincials last year. Our boys have been training hard this year to repeat! But wait, we have added two female wrestlers competing on our team as well this year!!

Keep an eye out for start ups for our spring athletics. Just around the corner we will have badminton, rugby, baseball, slo pitch and track starting up!!

Curling



**Congrats to these Rebels for placing second in the mixed and girls South curling zones!
They did awesome!! Good luck to the mixed team when they go to the ASAA Provincials!**



Grad



Graduation Update

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.

Graduation Requirements

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.

In addition to students who are on-track for graduation, Grade 12 W.R. Myers students who are registered in and passing a minimum of 10 credits each semester are welcome to participate in the Grade 12 Banquet.

Cap and Gown Photos:

LifeTouch will be doing our Cap and Gown photos between February 10-13th at W.R. MYERS in the Library.

All graduates must get their photo taken for our yearbook and composite picture. In order to book your sitting, go to prestigeportraits.ca. If you need assistance booking your appointment, contact the office. It is suggested that males bring a dress shirt and tie for formal photos and females wear v-neck or scoop neck top for formal photos. Unfortunately, the photographers will not have shirts and ties for graduates to use.

Banquet Tickets

Banquet tickets will go on sale on March 13th. Students can purchase tickets for themselves, their parents, step-parents, and a guest. This is 4-6 tickets per grad. Students can also request to put on waitlist for additional tickets at time of purchase.

Graduation Awards & Scholarships: Application Reminder for Graduating Students

Graduating students are encouraged to complete the W.R. Myers Graduation Awards and Scholarship application form to be considered for awards at both the W.R. Myers Graduation Ceremony and the Awards Night. This form will assist staff in selecting the recipients for various awards and scholarships.

Students should fill out all relevant sections of the form, as different awards and scholarships have varying criteria. The form requests information on volunteerism, leadership, extracurricular activities, awards, and any challenges faced during high school. Additionally, there is a section dedicated to applying for the newly established Beverly Emek Endowment Fund.

To apply, please submit the completed form by March 1st. Note that failing to complete the form will result in ineligibility for awards and scholarships.

To apply go to the link in the Grad 2025 Google Classroom.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to be recognized for your hard work and contributions!

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HCP UPDATE



Dear H.C.P Families,

The second half of the school year is in full swing, and we are excited about the opportunities and activities planned for our students in the coming months.

Career Exploration & Student Opportunities

Career-focused programming continues to be an important part of our learning at H.C.P. After our successful agriculture career trip in November, we are now holding one-on-one career conferencing sessions with our Grade 8 and 9 students this month. These meetings will help students start thinking about different career pathways and opportunities available to them. We are also planning additional career exploration trips for the spring, so stay tuned for more details!

Welcome, Miss Singh!

We are excited to officially welcome Miss Singh as our new Grade 6/7 teacher! In addition to teaching at H.C.P, she will also be teaching an English class within the W.R. Myers Program. We are grateful to have her as part of our team and look forward to the positive impact she will have on our students.

Important Dates & Reminders

Family Week Break:

- **Only Grade 10-12 students will have school on February 14.**
 - **No school for all students from February 17-24.**
- Please mark your calendars and enjoy this time with your families!**

H.C.P Mom's Group

Our H.C.P Mom's Group meets once a month. It's a great way for moms to connect and support each other. If you want to join or need more information, please contact the office.

Thank you for your continued support in your child's education. We pray that February brings blessings to all of our H.C.P families!

- H.C.P Staff

Bryan Pritchard – WE/Off-Campus

Off-Campus, Work Experience, and Dual Credit have a very busy semester ahead. Twelve of our students will be taking dual credit courses via Lethbridge Polytechnic in this new semester. One of our grade 12 students, Kevin Kroeker, will be spending three months at the Polytechnic furthering his welding skills in the Pre-Employment Welding program. Tyson Fettig, also a grade 12 student at W.R. Myers, completed this same program just prior to Christmas. Congratulations to our dual credit students from this past semester, as they earned some excellent results. The Polytechnic will finalise courses for the 2025-26 school year in April. Students can watch for classroom presentations at that time, and decide if there is a course that suits their needs. We have more applicants than spaces to fill, so be sure to set yourself up for success by maintaining strong academic results, steady attendance, and positive classroom interactions.

My W.R. Myers/H.C.P schedule remains the same this semester, with office hours Mondays and Thursdays, every second Tuesday morning, and the occasional Friday when I am not at the Polytechnic. I look forward to another fantastic semester in Off Campus.

Bryan



**Logan Eckert,
Nolan Rabusic &
Reid Swistun
taking part in
introductory dual
credit trades
courses!**





Reid Swistun & Justin Giesbrecht taking part in an introductory dual credit trades course.

Work, Learn, and Earn Credits over summer with Horizon School Division.

Summer School course dates: July 2 - 25, 2025



Horizon School Division summer school was established with the aim of meeting student and family needs, and to provide opportunities for students to get a step ahead, or to maintain timely progress, on their high school studies.

Horizon School Division summer programming* consists of courses for students entering grade 10, as well as Work Experience and Registered Apprentice Program credit opportunities, primarily for students entering grades 11 and 12.

*Students can accumulate a total of 10 credits per summer, as per Alberta Education guidelines.

To register: contact Bryan Pritchard @ bryan.pritchard@horizon.ab.ca
Registration closes: June 20, 2025

Summer School - for students entering grade 10

Career & Life Management - CALM (3 credits) (You can bundle this with PE10)

Career and Life Management (CALM): CALM in senior high school equips students to make informed decisions across various life domains, fostering well-being and respect for others. It is a compulsory health literacy course in Alberta and essential for meeting graduation requirements. HCS3000 is offered with CALM as an additional credit opportunity.

HCS3000 - Workplace Safety Systems (1 credit) - INCLUDED with CALM

HCS3000 is a workplace safety course. It is required for students seeking high school credit in Work Experience, Dual-Credit Trades, or Registered Apprenticeship Programming. This course is offered via SafeGen and must be completed online. HCS3000 is a prerequisite for HCS3010. This course will be applied to all students registering for CALM.

Phys Ed 10 (3 or 5 credits)

Approximately 10 types of activities must be completed, and a participant log must be recorded. Students need to complete 50 hours of activity for a 3-credit course, and 80 hours of activity for a 5-credit course. This course will have a Pass/Fail grading format, as opposed to a percentage grade.

HCS 3010 - Workplace Safety Practices (1 credit)

Students wishing to eventually enroll in Registered Apprenticeship Programming and/or apply for Dual Credit Trades in high school should register for this single-credit course. Workplace Safety Practices is an extension of Workplace Safety Systems, allowing students to explore safety principles and view and apply these concepts in various contexts.

AGR 3000 - Agriculture Safety (1 credit)

AGR3000 is a work safety course emphasizing agriculture safety and awareness. This course is required for students wishing to participate in the GREEN program. AGR3000 is offered online only via SafeGen.

On behalf of the Palix Foundation, Taber Community Action & Prevention Society, Horizon School Division, and Taber Police Service, you're invited to the

RESILIENCE SCALE MASTERCLASS

FEBRUARY 24, 2025

W. R. MYERS HIGH SCHOOL

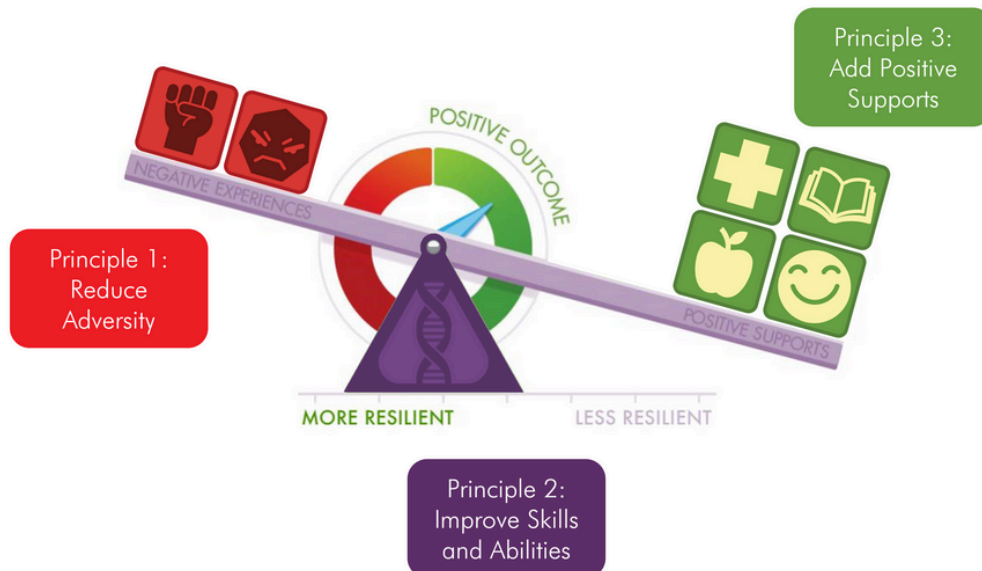
CHOOSE FROM:

8:30AM - 12:00PM OR

6:00PM - 9:00PM



REGISTER NOW



Handicapped parking



Please do not park in any of the accessible/handicap spaces, unless you have a current Placard.

We have several students who need access to these spaces throughout the day.

Also because of the modernization plans, students are no longer permitted to park in the staff parking lot.

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Parents and Guardians

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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.

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W.R. Myers High School/ HCP 2024-2025 School Year Calendar



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	No School for Students and School Staff
Aug 23	Division Wide PD Day (1/2 day) - no students (PD)
Aug 19-22, 27	Division Wide Time - may be assigned - no students
Aug 26	School Staff Meeting - no students (SM)
Aug 28	1st day of school
Oct 10	School Based PD Day - no students (PD)
Oct 11	Planning for Student Support (full day) - no students (SS)
Oct 25	No School for Grade 9 (Grades 10-12 ONLY)
Oct 25	Report Card sent home (R)
Oct 30	Parent Teacher Interviews (after school) (PTI)
Nov 1	School Based PD Day - no students (PD)
Nov 3	Daylight Savings Ends
Nov 25	Joint Horizon/ATA PD Day (full day) - no students (PD)
Jan 6	Epiphany
Jan 27	Last Day of Semester 1 for Gr. 9-12
Jan 28	First Day of Semester 2
Jan 29	Report Card sent home (R)
Jan 23, 24, 27	No School for Grade 9 (Grades 10-12 ONLY)
Feb 14	No School for Grade 9 (Grades 10-12 ONLY)
Feb 20-21	Teacher Convention - no students (TC)
Feb 24	Division Wide PD Day - no students (PD)
Mar 9	Daylight Savings Begins
Mar 10	School Based PD Day - no students (PD)
Apr 11	Report Card sent home (R)
Apr 16	Parent Teacher Interviews (after school) (PTI)
May 16	School Based PD Day - no students (PD)
May 29	Ascension
Jun 8	Penecost
Jun 18	Last Day of School Grade 9
Jun 21	National Indigenous Peoples Day
Jun 25	Last day for Grades 10-12

Gr. 12 Diploma Exams	Jan.	Jun.
English 30-1 Pt. A	14	11
English 30-2 Pt. A	14	11
Social 30-1 Pt. A	15	12
Social 30-2 Pt. A	15	12
Math 30-1	17	17
Math 30-2	17	17
English 30-1 Pt. B	20	18
English 30-2 Pt. B	20	18
Social 30-1 Pt. B	21	19
Social 30-2 Pt. B	21	19
Biology 30	22	20
Chemistry 30	23	23
Physics 30	24	24
Science 30	27	25

Achievement Exams	Jan.	M	Jun.
Gr. 9 ELA Part A	17	29	
Gr. 9 ELA Part B	20		12
Gr. 9 Math Part A	21		13
Gr. 9 Math Part B	22		17
Gr. 9 Science	23		16
Gr. 9 Social	24		18

Calendar

February 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9	10 Cap & Gown Photos	11	12 SAIT recruiter booth 11:30 am	13	14 EVEN No School for Grade 9s	15
16	17 Family Week - No school	18 Family week - No school	19 Family Week - No school	20 Family Week - No School	21 Family Week - No school	22
23	24 PD Day (No School For Students)	25 Canadian Forces Recruiting Table in Hallway	26	27	28 ODD	

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:

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Text: 587-370-3812

Email: wrm.attendance@horizon.ab.ca