

**NOTES FROM THE OFFICE** - January 16th, 2026

**Win \$50 Gift Cards through myBlueprint BGSD Contest - Enter before February 25th!**

**What is myBlueprint?** <https://app.myblueprint.ca/?sdid=blackgold> - myBlueprint is an online career, education, planning platform used by students in Grades 7–12. It supports students in exploring career options, post-secondary pathways, and personal interests while helping them see how their school learning connects to future goals.

**Why does my child need a myBlueprint account?**

myBlueprint helps students:

- Explore careers and post-secondary options
- Plan and reflect on course choices
- Set goals and track personal growth
- Build self-awareness and decision-making skills
- Create a digital portfolio they can use beyond high school

**How is myBlueprint used at school?**

Teachers and counselors use myBlueprint as part of learning activities, career exploration, and transition planning. Students should revisit it regularly as their interests evolve.

**Is it only for students who know what they want to do after high school?**

Not at all. myBlueprint is especially helpful for students who are unsure. It allows them to explore possibilities at their own pace and understand that plans can change.

**Why is it important to start early?**

Starting in Grade 7 gives students time to explore, reflect, and grow without pressure. By high school, students are better prepared to make informed decisions about courses and future pathways.

**Who do I contact if I have questions?**

Our school contact for all things myBlueprint is **Mrs. Dirks**. She can be reached at [cara.dirks@gshare.blackgold.ca](mailto:cara.dirks@gshare.blackgold.ca)

**[Create a myBlueprint account and/or log in before February 25th](#) to be entered in the Black Gold School Division contests and be eligible to win \$50 gift cards to Starbucks, Sephora or Amazon!**

**NSCHS Jack.org Fundraiser for the Stollery Children's Hospital** - The Jack.org student leadership group is proud to be hosting a lunchtime fundraiser in support of the Stollery Children's Hospital.

The fundraiser will take place from January 19–22 during lunch in Room 103 (11:52–12:17). Students will have the opportunity to participate in free games and Kahoots, win prizes, and purchase some treats. Cash donations will also be collected.

This student-led Jack.org initiative reflects a strong commitment to citizenship, compassion, community service, and mental health advocacy. We are proud of our students for leading meaningful initiatives that support both local and provincial communities. Thank you for your continued support of student leadership at NSCHS.

**School Council News** - A big thank you goes out to **Mrs. Tamara Morris** for volunteering to serve as this year's fundraising chair!

### **Alberta Education Assurance Survey – Grades 7 & 10**

Parents and guardians of students in Grades 7 and 10 will soon receive information about the Alberta Education Assurance Survey. This annual survey gives families an opportunity to share feedback about their child's school experience and helps inform school and system planning. Additional details and survey access codes will be provided by the school once the survey window opens. Thank you for your continued partnership and for taking the time to share your voice.

### **Follow us on our social media accounts!**

- Facebook: New Sarepta Community High School
- Instagram: NSCHS\_SAINTS

### **Important Upcoming Dates:**

- January 27th Last Day of Semester 1 Regular Classes for Senior Years' students
- January 27th Family Literacy Day
- January 28th-29th Regular Classes for all Junior High students
- January 28th-29th Sr. High Course Completion Days (\*Invitation Only)
- January 30th PD Day - No Classes
- February 2nd First Day of Semester 2 / Quarter 3
- February 3rd Band Parent Association Meeting 6:30 pm
- February 5 & 6 Teachers' Convention PD Days - No Classes
- February 6th Class of 2026 - Grad Photos at NSCHS
- February 11th School Council Meeting 6:30 pm
- February 20-21 Jr. Girls' Basketball Tournament at Father Leduc School, Leduc
- **February 25th** **Pink Shirt Day**
- February 27-28 Jr. Boys' Basketball Tournament at École Champs Vallée, Beaumont
- March 3rd Band Parent Association Meeting 6:30 pm
- March 11th School Council Meeting 6:30 pm

- March 12th An Evening of Sweet Melody
- March 19th Jr. High Ski Trip to Rabbit Hill
- March 26th BGSD Career Fair at Leduc Composite High School
- April 7th Band Parent Association Meeting 6:30 pm
- April 15th School Council Meeting 6:30 pm (\*tentative date)
- April 16th Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 pm -7:00 pm
- April 17th Last Day of Quarter 3
- April 20th First Day of Quarter 4
- April 24th Report Card Marks published 4:00 pm
- May 5th Band Parent Association Meeting 6:30 pm
- May 13th School Council Meeting 6:30 pm
- May 21st Gr. 9 PAT ELA Exam Part A - 9:00 am - 11:00 am
- June 2nd Band Parent Association Meeting 6:30 pm
- June 10th **English 30-1/30-2 Diploma Exam Part A 9am -12pm**
- June 10th School Council Meeting 6:30 pm (\*tentative date)
- June 12th Grad 2026 Commencement 7:00 pm
- June 15th **English 30-1/30-2 Diploma Exam Part B 9am -12pm**
- June 16th Last Day of Senior High classes before exams
- June 18th Last Day of Junior High classes before exams
- June 18th **Biology 30 Diploma Exam 9am -12pm**
- June 18th Gr. 9 PAT ELA Exam Part B - 9:00 am - 11:00 am
- June 19th **Chemistry 30 Diploma Exam 9am -12pm**
- June 19th Gr. 9 PAT Math Exam Part A - 9:00 am - 11:00 am
- **June 19-24 NSCHS Exam Week**
- June 22nd Gr. 9 PAT Math Exam Part B - 9:00 am - 11:00 am
- June 23rd **Science 30 Diploma Exam 9am -12pm**
- June 23rd Gr. 9 PAT Social Exam - 9:00 am - 11:00 am
- June 24th Gr. 9 PAT Science Exam - 9:00 am - 11:00 am
- June 25th & 26th Teacher/Office Work Days