

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE - January 23rd, 2026

**End of Semester Schedule (Grades 7–12)** - As we approach the end of Semester 1, please note the following schedule details:

**High School Students (Grades 10–12)**

- Tuesday, January 27th is the last day of regular classes for high school students for Semester 1.
- Students should only attend school on Wednesday, January 28th or Thursday, January 29th if they have been specifically invited by a teacher to work on coursework required for credit attainment.
- If a student has not been contacted by a teacher, they are not expected to attend on those days.

**Junior High Students (Grades 7–9)**

- Junior high students will continue to have regular classes on Wednesday, January 28th and Thursday, January 29th.
- If parents choose to keep their child at home on either of these days, please ensure the absence is reported in advance through SafeArrival so the school is aware the absence is excused.

**All Students**

- Friday, January 30 is a division-wide PD Day, and there is no school for students.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain accurate attendance records and a smooth end to the semester.

**High School Textbooks - Due back at the Library by January 27th**

High school students are reminded that all Semester 1 textbooks need to be returned to the library no later than January 27th. Textbooks can be returned in the following places:

1. the library on Monday
2. in the rolling carts
3. in the drop box outside the school after hours

**REMINDER! Black Gold Parent/Guardian Mental Health & Safety Evening - January 27th**

Black Gold Schools invites all parents and guardians to a critical evening focused on **student well-being and online safety**.

**Part 1: Mental Health Symposium (K-12 Focus)**

Parents and guardians from **all Black Gold schools** are invited to attend our Mental Health Symposium. This essential event is designed to **equip K-12 parents with valuable resources, information, and direct connections** to the mental health services, organizations, and support networks available within our community.

- **Format:** Open-House – allowing parents to **interact directly** with various agencies and gather personalized support information.
- **Date:** Tuesday, January 27th
- **Time:** 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- **Location:** Maclab Centre for the Performing Arts, Leduc

### **Part 2: Special Presentation on Internet Child Exploitation (ICE)**

Immediately following the Symposium, families with children **ages 14 and older** are strongly encouraged to stay for a crucial presentation on **Internet Child Exploitation (ICE)**.

Join us to gain crucial information on online safety and to learn more about the realities of children's internet use.

- **Presenters:** Constable Stephanie Bosch (Edmonton Police Service) and Constable Scott Sterling (RCMP) from **ALERT's Northern Alberta Internet Child Exploitation unit (NAICE)**.
- **Focus:** Emerging online risks and practical tips for parents on how to speak to their children about these difficult issues.
- **Time:** Starts immediately following the Symposium (approx. 7:00 p.m.)
- **Location:** Maclab Centre for the Performing Arts, Leduc

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### **Important Upcoming Dates:**

- January 27th Last Day of Semester 1 Regular Classes for Senior Years' students
- January 27th [BGSD Mental Health Symposium \(5:30-7 pm\) & Internet Child Safety](#) (7 pm - 9 pm) at the Maclab Centre in Leduc
- January 27th National Family Literacy Day & Semester 1 Textbook Return 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