



The Firewire Parents' Weekly

January 27-February 2, 2020

A busy Friday ended our week as we had **Money Mentors** presenting to all elementary classes. This is a terrific group who helped teach our students about money & responsibility. **MADD Canada** was also at the school to present to our junior high students about responsible driving and decision making. Both groups certainly gave a different perspective to our students around financial & social responsibility.

This coming week will be highlighted by junior high midterms. Teachers please note that many of our EAs will be assisting students during the exam time.

An awesome country site right outside our windows!

This Week's Activities

Monday – Day 3

- *Junior High midterm: Language Arts (Periods 1-3)*
- Sr. Boys basketball practice, 3:00-4:30 pm
- Jr. Girls basketball practice, 4:30-6:00 pm

Tuesday – Day 4

- *Junior High midterm: Mathematics (Periods 1-3)*
- Skating for grades 1-3
- Jr. ATB Banking Day
- Jr. Boys basketball practice, 3:00-4:30 pm
- Sr. Girls basketball practice, 4:30-6:00 pm

Wednesday – Day 5

- *Junior High midterm: Science (Periods 1-3)*
- Pizza Day, \$4/slice
- Gr. 3 Curriculum PD for Mr. Bresden, Mrs. Vasseur & me (all day)
- Sr. Girls basketball practice, 3:00-4:30 pm
- Sr. Boys basketball practice, 4:30-6:00 pm

Thursday – Day 6

- *Junior High midterm: Social Studies (Periods 1-3)*
- Skating for grades 4-6
- Gr. 2 Rubble Rd. presentation
- Locker clean out
- Basketball Games:
 - Juniors travel to Mundare. Boys play first @ 4:00 pm.



- Seniors have a Bye.

Friday – Day 1

- DARE for grade 6 classes
- Junior High Firebird Fun Day – Semester 2 begins
- Gr. 6 DARE
- Basketball skills camp for grades 5-9 students.

On Stage for the week of Feb. 3-9:

➤ *Monday*

- Jr. Boys basketball practice, 3:00-4:30 pm ***No Sr. Boys practice this Monday**
- Jr. Girls basketball practice, 4:30-6:00 pm

➤ *Tuesday*

- Skating for Grades 1-3. Party to follow in the gathering space.
- Basketball Games:
 - Seniors host St. Mary's. Boys play first @ 4:00 pm.
 - Juniors have a Bye.

➤ *Wednesday*

- Early Dismissal & Staff Meeting
- Skating for grades 4-6. Party to follow in the gathering space.
- Junior Boys and Girls play an exhibition game @ F.R. Haythorne School

➤ *Thursday*

- Teachers' Convention – No School

➤ *Friday*

- Teachers' Convention – No School

School News & Upcoming Events

Accountability Pillar Surveys

The Pillar surveys are ready for all teachers, grades 4 & 7 students & parents. Codes will be handed out at staff meeting for teachers and students.

Worry Warriors Workshop

A 6-week, 'Worry Warriors program is now available to parents - Helping children learn skills for managing worry, anxiety, stress, and friendships' being offered to children (ages 9-12) through Thrive Teen Counselling in Sherwood Park. Further program information and registration can be found on their website at <https://www.thriveteens.ca/worry-warriors-program> or by phone at 780-289-5437.

Kindergarten Registration Starts February 1st

Is your child turning five on or before Dec. 31, 2020? If so, it's almost time to register for kindergarten.

Kindergarten registration opens for the 2020-21 school year on Feb. 1, 2020.

To help families prepare, Elk Island Public Schools has put together an online toolkit—available at www.eips.ca/kindergarten—to make the transition as smooth as possible. The kit includes information on registration, important dates, programming options, what to expect, eligibility, how to find your designated school, transportation and more.

Returning Student Registration for 2020-21 – FEBRUARY 1st!

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) will once again conduct an online returning student registration process to confirm student registrations for the 2020-21 school year. Families of all returning students must complete the process to confirm the school their child plans to attend in the 2020-21 school year. Additionally, students who want to attend a non-designated school need to make that request through the returning student registration process—acceptance is based on available space. The 2020-21 returning student registration takes place Feb. 1-29, 2020.

Access to the Returning Student Registration Form is provided through the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). If you do not have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, you need to set one up before Feb. 1, 2020.

EIPS High School Information Evening

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) is hosting a High School Information Evening. All students in grades 8 and 9 and their families are invited to attend to learn more about EIPS and its senior high program.

Make sure to attend to:

- learn about the senior high course offerings, instruction, programming and extracurricular opportunities;
- find out about diploma requirements and various career paths; and
- discuss programming with senior high administrators.

High School Information Evening details:

Date: Feb. 3, 2020

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: Sherwood Park Alliance Church; 1011 Clover Bar Rd.; Sherwood Park

In addition to the Division's High School Information Evening, each EIPS senior high school hosts an open house. The open houses allow students and families to meet staff, tour the school, learn about the curriculum, gain insight about alternative programming available, and so much more. Dates and times for each senior high open house are available at eips.ca/registration/senior-high.

Personal Message

At this week's School Council meeting I announced my retirement at the end of this school year. As I shared with all of you earlier and to the parents in attendance at the School Council meeting, I have thoroughly enjoyed my tenure at Fultonvale Elementary Junior High School. I have been Blessed to be part of a great group of people who genuinely care for students, work with parents and help each other

out. Fultonvale is truly an inspiring place to work. I am sure the final 5 months will fly by for me! I will carry many fond memories of my time at Fultonvale School. Thank you, everyone.

Kudos

To FSAC for assisting us in the purchase of a DVD player, a sound bar & an updated camera for the live streaming we do in the gymnasium.

To Ms. De Rosier for organizing the MADD presentation.

To Mrs. Prouse for bringing in and scheduling the Money Mentors.

A Final Thought...

"In your quest for perfection, remember the three D's:
Desire - Dedication - Determination" ~ Andre Dawson

Enjoy your weekend. ~ Brad