



# École H.J. Cody Highschool



HJC ensures that all students learn at high levels.  
Believe, Encourage, Challenge.



## ***Important Dates***

OCT. 8 - NO SCHOOL, NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY  
OCT. 11 - NO SCHOOL, THANKSGIVING  
OCT. 21 - JOSTENS GRADUATION RINGS AT SCHOOL  
OCT. 22 - NO SCHOOL, COLLABORATIVE DAY

## ***Parent/Teacher Interviews***

WEDNESDAY OCT. 6TH 5PM-8PM

BY PHONE OR GOOGLE MEET APPOINTMENTS.  
SEE INSIDE FOR DETAILS.

## **Principal's Message**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been a very successful start of the 2021-2022 school year and wonderful to have students back in the building learning in person. In working with Alberta Health Services and in an effort to keep our school community safe and healthy, accurate attendance data is very important. We respectfully ask that when calling the school to excuse your child's absence that you let us know if it is due to them feeling unwell. While it is not required, we would appreciate you letting us know if your child tests positive for Covid19. We will not be sharing any personal information and your medical privacy will be upheld. We would also appreciate it if all students would come to school each day with their own mask as we have a limited supply.

Each Wednesday students meet with their Connect teacher who they will have throughout their four years at HJ Cody. The goals of Connect are: to ensure that all students are connected to and have a meaningful relationship with an adult in the building; to ensure students have a comprehensive post-secondary transition plan; and to support our goal of ensuring HJ Cody has a positive school culture and climate. Connect teachers are also responsible for supporting their students' learning needs and monitoring their academic success in all of their classes. Parents are able to see their child's Connect teacher in Powerschool.

Please see the information for Parent Teacher Interviews (October 6th 5:00-8:00) in this newsletter and I encourage you to read our daily announcements on your PowerSchool App under the Daily Bulletin tab. This is the best way to know about all the amazing opportunities we have for your children at HJ Cody. Also, just a reminder that the school is open from 8:00 - 4:00 on regular school days so please arrange the pickup and drop off your child within those hours unless they are participating in an extra-curricular activity.

Thank you for all that you do to support École HJ Cody, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to give me a call or send me an email.

Kind regards,

Mike Garrow

# Superintendent's Message

**Ready to learn in our safe and caring schools**

A Message from the Superintendent



In Chinook's Edge School Division, we take pride in building meaningful relationships and trust with our students. This is a critically important foundation for creating a safe and caring environment in our schools. I want you to know that our caring staff are as committed to developing your child's well-being as they are to ensuring they learn at the highest levels possible, even in difficult times.

Throughout the pandemic it has been a struggle for all of us at different times along the way. Safety is always on our minds as we work hard to consistently follow the guidelines from Alberta Health. We are very proud of our staff for all that they continue to do to support your child in finding success in spite of what is taking place all around us.

In the days ahead we want to not only be safe during the pandemic, but to also be prepared for the hazards of winter weather. We know from previous years that winter weather can fall upon us at any time. Please make yourself and your child aware of our inclement weather procedures so that no one is caught off guard by an interruption in busing service or a brief school closure. Please take a moment to visit our [Inclement Weather procedures](#) and ensure that your child is dressed for winter weather when they either ride one of our buses or walk to school on a cold day.

For Trustee updates and to read the latest **Board eNews**, please visit [our website](#).

**Kurt Sacher,**  
**Superintendent of Schools**

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## PT Interviews

Parent teacher interviews are on October 6th from 5 pm to 8 pm.  
Interviews will occur via an eight minute GoogleMeet or a telephone call.  
Parents choose their interview platform preference when they sign up.

Sign up link: <https://www.schoolinterviews.ca/code/mz3r5>

Sign up closes at 4 pm on October 5th.



## Please Remember your Masks!

Unfortunately we are unable to keep supplying disposable masks to students who have forgotten them at home. If you forget your mask, you may be sent home to get it. It is suggested to keep a clean spare in a Ziploc bag in your backpack. Thank you to all students for wearing your masks as per protocol!

We are running out of masks at the office!

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## HJ Cody 2021-2022 Student Handbook

The HJ Cody Student Handbook can be found on our website. This includes Student Code of Conduct and all general school information. Please refer to our website under the Students link.

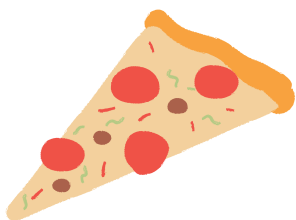
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## Vaping Is Prohibited at all Chinooks Edge Schools

**No vaping on school property or during school related activities.**

Details are provided in Admin Procedure 3-11 'Student Substance Abuse', and the Sylvan Lake "Smoke Free Bylaw" and it is important to note that infractions will result in school suspensions and a fine of \$250.00 for a first offence.



## HJ Cody Canteen Lunch

Main Street Eatery is selling food in the common area Blocks 3&4 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. They only accept cash.

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## Parent Council Meeting

For those interested in joining Parent Council meetings are usually the last Tuesday of every month at at 7 p.m. For more information go to the [School Council](#) tab on the website.



# Annual Demographic Update Form



Thank you for updating your child's Annual Demographic Form each year to verify that the information that we have on file is correct.

This is a key process to ensure that your child's emergency contact and guardianship information is accurate as we work together for your child's education.

Earlier this fall, an email was sent to all families requesting the completion of your child's demographic update. Thank you to those who have already completed this process. At this time we ask families who have not yet completed their child's annual demographic update to please sign into the parent portal and go to the School Engage link to submit your form.

Link for PowerSchool Parent Portal: <https://powerschool.cesd73.ca/public/home.html>  
Please click on SchoolEngage (bottom left) to take you to the demographic form.

Thank you for completing this form prior to October 15, 2021 or as changes occur during the school year.

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## Yearbook

Ms. Leischner and Ms. Marsh held the first initial meeting for Yearbook Committee this week. Another meeting will take place next Tuesday, October 5th, in block 3 lunch to determine further dates and details. All are welcome to join this committee, staff and students alike - photographers, designers, editors, grads - we encourage you to support us in making the yearbook a collective effort and holistic vision of our amazing school!

This committee also earns you credits towards graduation, not to mention, bragging rights to the creation of the book you'll look back on in years to come.

To start, we will be meeting once a week to work on the book, with more frequent meetings towards the end of the year.

\* If you can't make it to the meeting next Tuesday at lunch, please stop by the tech lab or art studio to visit either of us and let us know how your skills and vision can contribute to this awesome, year-long project.

We hope to see your beautiful faces!

- Ms. Marsh and Ms. Leischner





# Up Coming Dates

Nov. 3rd - Last day Q1 options (Grades 9&10)

Nov. 4th - First day Q2 options (grades 9&10)

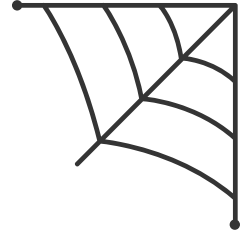
Nov. 8th - S1 Midterm Report Marks in PowerSchool

**\*We are paperless please check PowerSchool for marks and teacher comments\***

Nov. 11th - No School Remembrance day

Nov. 12th - No School Fall Break

Nov. 26th - No School Collaborative day



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## Congratulations to the Golf Team!

The boys team finished second in the zone! Rachel Braitenback took bronze at zones with a score of 91. Logan Graf took gold at zones with a score of 69.



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## The Careers Department is up and we have hit the ground running!

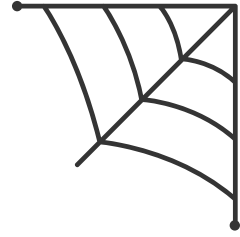
In the first week of October we will be beginning a MyBlueprint Blitz and a MyPass sign up for Grade 11 and 12's. These accounts will allow us to get the work done to help students create a transition plan and start the work towards figuring out what life looks like after H.J. Cody.

S.W.A.C. (School Within a College) Dual Credit, Green Certificate, Work Experience and RAP are underway! If you want to get involved in any of these programs or to get more information, See Mrs. Bell. Mr. Payne or Mrs. Donaghy.

# Sr. Girls Volleyball

A big congrats to the following girls who made the Sr.Girls Vball Team:

#2 Harper Gemmell  
#3 Lexi Fothergill  
#5 Gracie Schwindt  
#6 Morgan Applegate  
#7 Shelby-Lynn Battenfelder  
#8 Natalie Ginter  
#9 Rowan McCulloch  
#10 Avery Duske  
#11 Hailey Leopky  
#12 Sophia Ingenhagg  
#13 Jerzi Pollitt  
#14 Zoey Longman  
#15 Kalyn Engler



A BIG thank you to our sponsors: 24/7 Compression, Bukwildz, Ritchie Brothers, and LMC

We have hit the ground running and September has been very busy.

We have been to two tournaments so far and had 2 league games. This team has amazing potential, I'm excited to see what this season brings.

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## We are Accepting Graphing Calculator Donations!

If you are no longer using your graphing calculator consider donating it to the school for students unable to afford one.



## Travel Club

If you want to start raising funds towards potential future trips with band, choir or travel club, please see Mrs. Heisler on Tuesday after school to receive information on the Poinsettia fundraiser. Room 111, Band room at 3:30.

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## Grad Class of 2022! We need your baby Photos

Please bring in your baby photos ASAP! They will be used for graduation and the yearbook. They can be up to age 5 and the best ones work when the grad is facing front without hats or coverings. Drops photos off at the office.



# Athletics At HJC

After a long pause due to COVID, athletics are finally back up and running at HJ Cody this year! As usual, September has been a very busy start with several individual and team sports in full swing. This Fall HJ Cody is fielding the following sports teams; Football, Cross Country Running, Volleyball ( six full teams) and Golf. If you are looking for team schedules please either visit the HJ Cody Calendar or email Athletic Director Peter Saik. If you would like to come and cheer on your Laker teams, please note that Current CESD and AHS guidelines are allowing 1 spectator per athlete for indoor events. All spectators are expected to wear masks. You can also view home games by watching "Live" on the HJ Cody Facebook Page.

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## Athletic Society

For any parents that would like to get involved in the HJ Cody Athletic Society there will be a Virtual Meeting on October 13th. The Athletic Society is a group of volunteers that help fundraise and plan athletic purchases at HJ Cody. These wonderful volunteers are also responsible for keeping HJ Cody athletic fees reasonable and affordable for our Laker athletes. If you have any questions or would like to attend our June meeting please contact our schools Athletic Director Peter Saik at [psaik@cesd73.ca](mailto:psaik@cesd73.ca).

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## Interact

Meetings: Tuesdays after school in the Foods Room  
Everyone is welcome!

Projects include Coins for Kids (Christmas Bureau), Coats For Kids (Community Partners), WE Scare Hunger (Foodbank), helping with Rotary Community Events such as Sleigh Rides and Canada Day and school, community and International Projects that create positive change. Benefits and opportunities include leadership camps and skills, scholarship opportunities and overall empowerment. This group also creates networking opportunities that can lead to future jobs.

### **Current Project: Coats for Kids**

When going through your winter gear, if you have grown out of some, please bring it to school. They will be cleaned and delivered to Community Partners where anyone who needs one can pick stuff up.

Coming soon: Coins for Kids. Save up your change and bring it during our challenge. We will be buying gifts for children the same ages as our students who may not get much for Christmas this year without the support of the Christmas Bureau.

# Congratulations to the JV Boys Volley Ball Team!

They made it to the A side final of the Olds Volleyball Tournament!



## HJ Cody Gear Now Available

If you are interested in some HJ Cody gear it is now available through the Student Quick Pay on the HJ Cody Website. Deadline to order is October 12 at midnight.

