
THE FALCON FLYER

A Monthly Publication of Holy Spirit High School

Volume 28 Issue 6

March 2018

Twitter

All major announcements will be posted on our Twitter account: [@HolySpiritHS](#). Many departments also have their own Twitter accounts. Please follow us to stay up to date!

Our Twitter feed is also found on our webpage at www.holyspirithighschool.ca

Prom 2018

First payment scheduled for Prom was scheduled for February 12 with the second payment scheduled for April 27

Each graduate must pay \$155 for his/her ticket. This fee covers the cost of the meal at the Senior Prom, decorations, programs, class composite picture, the Graduation Ceremony in November 2018 and a copy of the 2017-2018 school yearbook.

Each addition ticket costs \$65. Students can purchase up to an addition three tickets. (One for their date and two of their parents/guardians). If you have a split family, please email Mr. Locke or Ms. Oldford.

We cannot accommodate any other extra tickets for grandparents, uncles, cousins, siblings etc.

Anyone in need of a prom dress, contact Gwen Carroll at gwencarroll@nlesd.ca

Delayed Opening/ School Closures

There is an increasingly possibility of emergency closures of Holy Spirit High due to storms, poor road conditions, etc. Parent/guardians and students should note that in the event of serious storms or storm-related transportation problems, the local AM/FM radio stations will be notified. During stormy weather, please make an effort to frequently check radio stations for information on school closures. You may also visit the school website at www.holyspirithighschool.ca or the district website at www.nlesd.ca and visit School Status Report. We will also use Twitter to notify you of any closures

CDLI

In addition to the opportunity for students to get a CDLI account to access resources for various courses, students are able to use CDLI for complete Course Reviews in selected courses, i.e. students can access recorded lessons and receive instruction on specific topics or to review an entire course. **This is an excellent opportunity for students to supplement their courses.**

The following courses are available for this level of review/access:

Biology 3201
Chemistry 3202
Earth Systems 3209
Physics 3204

English 3201
Advanced Math 3200
Advanced Math 3208
Academic Math 3201
Applied Math 3202
World Geography 3202
World History 3201

Step #1: Log into your CDLI portal at www.cdli.ca

Step #2: Log into Desire 2 Learn

Step #3: Look for the self registration link right after you do step #2.

Step #4: Choose the course you wish to enrol in. Follow the prompts for the rest.

Step #5: Hit the Register Button

Course Selections 2018-2019

All course selections should be entered on line as of now. Any issues, questions or concerns, please contact the administrative team:

davidlocke@nlesd.ca

deniseoldford@nlesd.ca or

johnkevinflynn@nlesd.ca

Parking Lot Routines

All parents are reminded that only busses and staff vehicles are permitted to enter the lot immediately adjacent to the school between 8:30 a.m. to 9:10 am.

Parents who drop off students are asked to do so at the top of the walkway that connects the school and the Villanova Church lot. Parents are then required to proceed through the church lot and up the lane to the Topsail highway.

As well, during afterschool dismissal time, any parents picking up children on the parking lot adjacent to the school, come on our lot, or back in by the volleyball courts. This is to help ensure the safety of our students as well as facilitate the orderly flow of traffic.

Parents picking students up after school are asked to wait until 3:15, if possible, for the safety of our students crossing the lot to catch the bus. We ask parents not to park on the wrong side of the road.

Student drivers are asked to park in the church parking lot. They are not to park on the main road coming into Holy Spirit.

Calendar 2018- 2019

Please see link for next year's calendar.

<https://www.nlesd.ca/schools/schoolcalendar.jsp>

Breakfast Club

Holy Spirit High School is pleased to offer Kids Eat Smart Breakfast Club once again this year. It runs prior to classes on three mornings weekly, Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Our Kids Eat Smart Breakfast Club operates as a 'grab and go' program. Kids Eat Smart Foundation is a registered charitable organization and relies on the community for support. With over 860 students, while we would like to provide this service on a daily basis, the cost to do so is prohibitive.

If you are able to help support our Breakfast Club you can do so by donating money towards the purchase of food. You can donate directly to the school either through cash, cheque or Sobey's/Dominion/Costco gift cards, or you can send your donation to Kids Eat Smart Foundation, P.O. Box 26009, St. John's, NL, A1E 0A5. Kids Eat Smart Foundation will issue tax receipts for donations of \$20 or more. (Cheques being sent to the Foundation must be made payable to Kids Eat Smart Foundation, however you must clearly indicate that Holy Spirit High is to receive your donation.)

Also if you are affiliated with any organization that may be able to help, please contact the school administration.

Consortium national de formation en santé

Six of our French Immersion students have been selected to travel to Ottawa to explore the possibility of pursuing a science degree in French. They will attend workshops and presentations by two universities and two colleges.

Congratulations to Laura Cassell, Jenna James, Ian Poole, Jay Martin, Megan Coles, and Caitlyn Coles!

Public Speak-Off

Another great showing at the Lions Club Regional Speak Off.

1st place, Elizabeth Blake . 2nd place, Abigail Garrett. and participant Levi Moulton



Math Resources

Please available of these NLESD Online Math Resources for instructional video clips, online practice quizzes, and practice tests:

Math 9:

<https://www.nlesd.ca/programs/math9intresources.jsp>

Math 1201:

<https://www.nlesd.ca/programs/math1201intresources.jsp>

Math 2201:

<https://www.nlesd.ca/programs/math2201intresources.jsp>

Math 3201:

<https://www.nlesd.ca/programs/math3201intresources.jsp>

Mini Enrichment Program – Grade 9

Information, a Catalogue of Courses and an Application Form, regarding this program is on our webpage. This is a program for students who are able to work independently and who are open for a challenge. The courses will take place at MUN, Marine Institute, CNA and the District Conference Center later this Spring. The Deadline to return applications and the \$40 fee is Monday, Mar. 12, 2018. Applications are to be dropped off at the main office or given to Ms Crews.

Message from Public Health

There have been a couple of **cases of head lice and Scabies** reported recently and been successfully treated.

We do suggest that you take an active role by checking your child's head regularly. If you find your child has head lice, please contact your public health nurse for advice or copy the following link and paste it into your browser to take you to the NL English School District web site.

<https://www.nlesd.ca/families/doc/headlicebooklet.pdf>

Scabies

Scabies is a parasitic infection caused by mites that burrow under the skin. Scabies has nothing to do with a person's hygiene level. Scabies is mainly transmitted mainly through prolonged skin to skin contact. Scabies may also be spread through using bedding, towels or clothing recently used by a person with scabies. Please discourage the sharing of clothing or personal items with your children. Scabies causes severe itching, especially at night. There may be a rash and or the appearance of gray-white burrow lines on the skin's surface. If you suspect your child may have scabies, please contact medical personnel for confirmation, begin treatment immediately and notify the school..

If you have any further questions, please contact the Community Health Nurse, shelley.goulding@easternhealth.ca

Grade 9 Boys Basketball

Congrats to the grade 9 boys basketball team this past weekend. They went undefeated in the round robin, and came up short in the Final. Represented the school in fine fashion.



Fred Squires Shield.

An exciting final game for the 22nd Annual Fred Squires Shield. With a final score of 2-1, the Queen Elizabeth Pioneers win the Shield.

Congrats on three great games.



Marble Mountain

Another great trip!



Anne Parsons Shield

Congrats to the girls on winning the shield this year in two games. Awesome Job!



HSHS Assessment Policy 17-18

Students are expected to complete all assessments on the date designated by the teacher. This includes the completion of tests and quizzes, and also the submission of assignments such as laboratories, modules, essays, projects, portfolios, etc.

Assessments must be completed in a timely manner in order for teachers to effectively direct their instruction, and monitor their students' understanding and achievement.

If an assessment is worth 5% or more of the overall course grade, and/or a pattern of missed assessments is observed, the teacher must make contact with a parent/guardian via phone call or email within a reasonable time of the missed assessment.

If an assessment is not completed on the scheduled date and no valid reason is known, a 0% will be assigned as a placeholder. It will be the responsibility of the student and/or parent to contact the teacher in a timely manner to document a valid reason for the assessment not being done.

The 0% will be removed once the assessment is complete. However, once the final deadline has passed to complete or submit the work, the 0% will remain permanently.

If the reason is deemed **invalid**¹:

For a test or quiz:

- A "second chance" date for the assessment will be set if deemed appropriate by the subject teacher. If the student fails to complete the assessment on the new set date without a valid reason, the mark will remain a 0%.

For an assignment:

- After parent notification, a final chance date to submit the work will be set. If the student fails to complete the work by the set date, the mark will remain 0%.

Note: In the case of a public exam course with a pre-public, or comprehensive final in a non-public course, achievement of outcomes will be considered during this year end evaluation. In this case, the missed test or incomplete assessment may be marked as excused. In addition, if a later test or later assessment can be used to access the outcomes addressed in the missed test or incomplete assessment, corresponding grade will be considered. In both of these cases, the above two points will not apply.

If the reason is deemed **valid**²:

For a test or quiz:

- A new date for the assessment will be set. If the student fails to complete the assessment on the new date without a valid reason, the mark will remain a 0%.

For an assignment:

- A new due date for the assessment will be set. If the assessment is not submitted on the "second chance" date, the mark will be a 0%. After parent notification, a "final chance" date to submit the work will be set. If the student fails to complete the work by this set date, the mark will remain a 0%.

¹**Invalid** reasons for a missed or late assessment include, but are not limited to: forgetting/claiming to not be aware of the date of the assessment, refusing to write the assessment, being unprepared for the assignment, failing to notify the school of an absence, being absent for a non-medical/non-urgent appointment, or failing to provide documentation as requested.

²**Valid** reasons for a missed or late assessment include, but are not limited to: illness, medical appointment, injury, hospitalization, incarceration, school sponsored trip/activity, or approved educational travel. In the event of a family planned trip, the student should notify the subject teacher prior to the test/assignment date, and the student may be expected to write on an alternate date, agreed upon by the subject teacher. This is not a requirement of the subject teacher.

Documentation (a phone call, note, or email to the teacher from the parent) is required in a timely manner to support all valid reasons for a missed assessment. This is the responsibility of the student/parent and should be done on, or before, the date of the missed test or incomplete assignment.

Parents are strongly encouraged to monitor Powerschool/Google Classroom daily as this is how to monitor students' grades and assessment completion, and email teachers if there are concerns.

In the case of school sponsored events or other pre-scheduled activities, students are still expected to complete assessments on time. Students are expected to communicate with teachers and complete assessments early when possible.

Extenuating circumstances will be considered and decisions will be made by a combination of stakeholders such as teachers, student, parents, and administrators.

Any student who cheats on a quiz, test, or assignment may receive a 0%. Second chances will be considered. Disciplinary action will be considered in each case.

Important dates 2017-2018

March	30	Last Day before for Easter
April	9	School Reopens
April	20	Reports Released
May	4	PD Day
May	21	Victoria Day
May	24	Senior Prom
June	7	Orientation Meeting Grade 9 Parents
June	18-26	Final/Public Exams
June	28	Report Cards Year End Assembly
June	29	Administration Day



**PUBLIC EXAMINATION SCHEDULE
JUNE 2018**

	Tuesday June 5	Tuesday June 19	Wednesday June 20	Thursday June 21	Friday June 22	Monday June 25	Tuesday June 26	Wednesday June 27
Morning Session	English 3201 Listening/Non-Reading Component (40 minutes)	English 3201	Math 3201 Math 3200 Mathématiques 3231	Earth Systems 3209	Biology 3201 Biologie 3231	World Geography 3202	Physics 3204	Français 3202
Afternoon Session*				Chemistry 3202 Chimie 3232		World History 3201 Histoire mondiale 3231		

***Morning Session**

Schools may run the morning sessions from either 8:30 am – 11:30 am or 9:00 am – 12:00 noon. This will accommodate schools which normally have an earlier start time as well as allow for more time between the morning and afternoon exams. To facilitate this, we are asking that schools strictly adhere to the following time lines:

Regardless of the start time,

No student writing a public examination will be permitted to leave the exam room until 10:00 am.

No student writing a public examination will be permitted to enter the exam room later than 10:00 am.

***Afternoon Session**

Schools may run the afternoon sessions from either 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm or 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm. To facilitate this, we are asking that schools strictly adhere to the following time lines:

Regardless of the start time,

No student writing a public examination will be permitted to leave the exam room until 2:00 pm.

No student writing a public examination will be permitted to enter the exam room later than 2:00 pm.

School based exams are from June 18-25. Exam schedule will be completed at a later date.