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## Twitter

All major announcements will be posted on our Twitter account: [@HolySpiritHS](https://twitter.com/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](http://www.holyspirithighschool.ca)

## April Reporting Period

The third reporting period reports will be released Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. There will be no Parent Teacher Interviews for this reporting period. If you have any question or concerns, please contact the subject teacher.

## Professional Development Day

Our last professional development day is Friday, May 4. There will be no school for students.

## Major School Awards

Already the time of year has come to look at our annual student awards. Students are asked to complete the e application in a Google Classroom..

**There is a hard deadline - it is April 26th, 5PM.**  
No applications will be considered after this date.

The classroom code is **8elijor**. **All information can be found on our webpage.**

## Prom 2018

First payment 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.

For those paying using recycling, the deadline is April 27<sup>th</sup>. We will be contacting students the following week regarding amount paid and any remaining amounts owed.

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. If there are any concerns regarding payment, please contact the administration.

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](mailto:gwencarroll@nlesd.ca)

## 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](http://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**

## 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>

## Skills Canada

Congratulations to our Skills Canada Team on this year's competition. The placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Secondary School category

Adam Burke and Colin Baker Bronze in The Pitch  
Ashley Howe and Laura Pottle Silver TV Video Production  
Anna Boland and Amy Goulding Gold in Hairstyling Challenge  
Caitlyn Coles Gold in Job Search  
Megan Coles Gold in Workplace Safety  
Melissa Mercer Silver in Graphic Design  
Keegan Daley Gold in 3D Animation  
Erica Bennett Gold in WebPage Development  
Zachary Bennett Gold in Electronics  
Maggie Drove Bronze in Job Skills Demonstration  
Julia Rose Gold in Electrical Installation  
Mikayla Butler Bronze in Photography



## Duke of Edinburgh

Holy Spirit High students, Hillary Olford, Erica Bennett and Levi Moulton have successfully completed their Silver Level Duke of Edinburgh. The presentation by Lt. Governor Frank Fagan took place on March 25th. Congratulations to Mr. Wells for 10 years of Volunteer Service to DOE. Missing from photo, Levi Moulton.



## 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 though cash, cheque or Sobeyes/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.

## 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>

## PISA Assessment

A random sample of students will be writing the PISA Assessment this year. If your son or daughter was selected, you will receive an information package in the coming weeks.

**See the links below for more information:**

<https://sites.google.com/nlesd.ca/pisa-for-staff/introduction-to-pisa-resources>

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

## 2018 Public Exam Preparation (8 week Night School)

The Newfoundland and Labrador English School District will be offering a 48 hour Public Exam Preparation Program (Night School) from **April 17 to June 7, 2018**. This program will be offered for **Math 3201** on **Tuesday and Thursday** evenings (**7:00 pm to 10:00 pm**) at Gonzaga High School, Smithville Crescent, St. John's.

Electronic Registration will be open from **Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am to Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 pm**. Participants can register by completing the registration form below and emailing to [nicoleconstantine@nlesd.ca](mailto:nicoleconstantine@nlesd.ca)

If the course being requested is **NOT OFFERED**, students will be contacted via telephone at the number given on the registration form by 4:00 pm on **Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**.

Participants will be required to pay the required fee of **\$185.00 per course** on either Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> or Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, if the course being requested has sufficient enrolment to be offered. Cash/Debit/Visa/Mastercard will be available. **No cheques accepted. No refunds will be issued after Monday, April 23, 2018.**

For further information please call Nicole Constantine at 758-2704

## Forum for Young Canadians

Forum for Young Canadians is Canada's premier youth educational program to learn about Canadian systems of government, leadership and citizenship. Only 315 young Canadians between the ages of 15-19 are selected to attend Forum annually and this past year, 9 of those students were from this province. The representatives at the recent session included Holy Spirit High School student Erin Burt, Waterford Valley High School student Liam Warren and Ascension Collegiate student Rory Shortall.

Students participated in various activities, including an international trade simulation, a mock election, meetings with government leaders at a Parliamentarians' Reception and Senate breakfast. Students had the special privilege of sitting in both the House of Commons and Senate, with Speakers of both chambers, who are the co-honorary Chairs of Forum. They watched Question Period from the Visitor's Gallery and were given the choice to visit Rideau Hall or the Supreme Court. Students also take home a broader understanding of the roles and responsibilities of Canadian citizenship. They networked with other youth from throughout the country to discuss important issues and learn more about other communities across Canada.



## Provincial Lions Club Speak Off

Elizabeth Blake was successful once again in the provincial lions club speak out. She will go on to represent the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador in the next level of Atlantic's provinces. She will be competing against competitors from Atlantic Canada. This will take place in Corner Brook the weekend of May 19<sup>th</sup>.



## Girls Basketball

Congratulations, to the Girls Basketball who participated in the Provincials this past weekend. They had a great season.



## Boys Senior Basketball

Congratulations Grade 10 Holy Spirit Falcons on well-played Provincials this weekend!



## Provincial Science Fair

Congratulations to Erin Burt who won a gold medal in physical science and a special award for best senior physics project.



## Flying School

Congratulations to Ashley Hatcher on being accepted to flying school this summer.

“When I found out I got accepted for power I was ecstatic. Getting my private pilot’s license has been a huge goal of mine since I joined cadets. Although it will be very busy, I’m looking forward to a summer filled with doing what I love the most, flying!”



## 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**<sup>1</sup>:

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<sup>2</sup>:**

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%.

<sup>1</sup>**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.

<sup>2</sup>**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 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**

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 later**