



# École Vickers Public School



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Monday lundi	Tuesday mardi	Wednesday mercredi	Thursday jeudi	Friday vendredi
			1	2 Good Friday No Classes
5 Easter Monday No Classes	6 No Classes	7 No Classes	8 No Classes	9 No Classes
12	13	14	15 SCC Meeting (virtual) 6:30 pm	16
19	20	21	22 Mental Health Parent Evening (virtual) 6:30 pm	23
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## Upcoming Important Dates:

May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 – No classes

May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – Victoria Day (no classes)





## Kindergarten Registration Now Open!

Students born in 2016 are eligible for Kindergarten in the 2021-2022 school year. École Vickers Public School offers rich play based kindergarten programs in French Immersion and English. Register online at <https://vk.srsd119.ca/> or call 306-922-6446 for more information.

New and prospective students in K-8 are welcome to call the school to chat with an administrator or email us at:

[jgreen@srsd119.ca](mailto:jgreen@srsd119.ca)

[kcantin@srsd119.ca](mailto:kcantin@srsd119.ca)

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**Play  
Learn  
Grow**

**EVS** **École Vickers  
Public School**

**Now Accepting  
Kindergarten Registration**

- ✓ French Immersion or English programs
- ✓ Play-based education
- ✓ Full day, every other day schedule
- ✓ Safe, caring environment

Eligible students must be 5 years old by December 31, 2021

**2021-2022  
School Year**

CALL FOR MORE INFO: **306-922-6446**

Register online at:  
<https://vk.srsd119.ca/>

**\*Kindergarten Open House School Tours will take place in May – dates/times TBA. Stay tuned!**



### **DISTANCE LEARNING CENTRE** **(306) 953-5840**

The Distance Learning Centre is committed to providing students with the opportunity and flexibility to learn from home, while also promoting a virtual learning community for all. Our staff is dedicated to providing a positive and welcoming learning environment where teachers regularly connect with students in a variety of ways. All students belong! Please call us at for more information.



### **CARLTON COMPREHENSIVE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL** **(306) 922-3115**

Providing a sincere, welcoming, inclusive community is a priority. Our goal is that everyone genuinely feels safe, supported and connected when entering the school. The vast list of course options available meets the needs and interests of students in many areas and is always evolving to support high academic expectations. Culture, sports, arts and individual achievement are constant areas of celebration. We are proud of who we are and take every opportunity to share. Please follow us on Instagram, Twitter, Facebook and Tiktok. If you would like a personalized tour, connect with us for an appointment.



### **PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE (P.A.C.I.)** **(306) 763-6485**

Our staff pride themselves in making great connections with every student in their classroom. We are a small high school with a huge heart. We offer a wide range of courses to meet the needs of every learner including elective courses unique to our school like Garage Band and Dance. Our academic courses include all high level Math, Science, Social Science and English Language Arts classes that will help support you as you move on to the next chapter of learning. Our students are very involved in their school community through connections in our athletics program (Cross Country, Volleyball, Basketball, Badminton, and Track), leadership opportunities through extra curricular and performance based clubs like Dance Team, Drama, Garage Band and Visual Arts. We truly have something for everyone at PA Collegiate, You Belong.



### **WESMOR PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL** **(306) 764-5233**

Wesmor - Be More - discover the difference - where learning is joyful, culture is affirmed, and students are given real choices for their futures. We create a smaller, caring, respectful, learning community where students feel valued, respected and have a voice in their learning. Real-world experiences, land-based learning and challenging academic classes prepare students for their post-secondary choices. If you are interested in learning more, please give us a call to arrange for a tour.

# SLC NEWS



**We are sending a huge shout out to our Vicker's families who participated in our Telemiracle Hat Day fundraiser in March. Together we raised \$626.00! Woohoo!**

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# SCC NEWS



SCC meeting will take place on Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. and will be virtual.

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## **Mental Health Parent Information Night**

Supporting our Kids: Second Annual Mental Health Parent Evening for Vickers Families will take place on Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. and will be facilitated by SRPSD mental health consultant Kelly Gerhardt. This session will provide families with strategies for supporting their kids through stress and fostering resilience.

Contact the school admin by email to receive the link.

[jgreen@srsd119.ca](mailto:jgreen@srsd119.ca)

[kcantin@srsd119.ca](mailto:kcantin@srsd119.ca)

[tkuzma@srsd119.ca](mailto:tkuzma@srsd119.ca)

Link will be sent out the day before the event.



## Staff Welcomes and Goodbyes

Last month we said “goodbye” to Ms. Natalie Lukiw, from Dev. Ed., with good wishes for the future and welcomed back to Vickers, Ms. Destiny Polowski into Dev. Ed.

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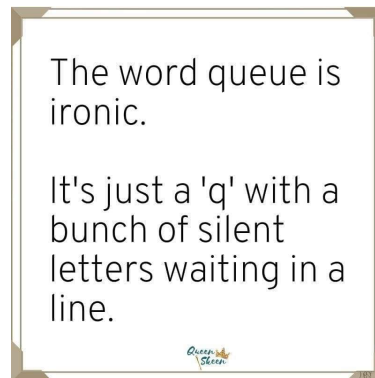
**The link to purchase  
clothes can be found  
on our  
Vickers' website.**





Due to COVID, Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division – Education Centre will not be holding an in-person art show this year. The student that has artwork selected will be contacted to give them an opportunity to schedule an appointment to view their work. We will be holding private viewings in the month of May between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm. Should anyone wish to view the artwork at the Ed Centre, please contact Lisa Dryka at [ldryka@srsd119.ca](mailto:ldryka@srsd119.ca) or (306) 764-1571 to schedule an appointment.

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A black and white advertisement for River Riders Football. The text on the left reads: "Spring Programs are Planned Starting in May 2021 Please follow our Social Media Feeds or Website for more information on upcoming programs". On the right, there is a logo with "RR" in red and white, and "FOOTBALL" in black below it. Below the logo, it says "- LITTLE TYKES (AGES 6-9)" and "- PEEWEE & BANTAM SIX-A-SIDE". At the bottom right, in large red letters, it says "RIVER RIDERS ARE BACK!!!". At the bottom left, the website "www.pariverriders.com" is listed.

Dear Administrator, Teachers, Parents and guardians

Due to the increase workload associated with cases of COVID in our communities and the start of COVID vaccinations, Public Health has not been able to complete the school aged vaccination programs for the past year. We are wanting to try a new initiative to ensure that as many children as possible are protected against vaccine preventable diseases.

On April 7<sup>th</sup> and April 8<sup>th</sup>, Public Health in Prince Albert will be hosting a mass school immunization clinic. We are encouraging students that are in grade 6, 7, 8 or 9 that did not receive their 2 set of vaccines in grade 6 or their 1 set in grade 8 (this year or last year) to attend. We will be having more clinics going forward, dates to be announced later.

**Clinics on April 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> will run from 11am to 7pm at the Prince Albert Exhibition Centre (West Hall).** We estimate that we will be able to accommodate about 300 students a day. It will be on a first come basis. If we have a line up when you arrive you will be given a time to return at. All COVID precautions will be in place. A health screen will be done at the door, you will be asked to wear a medical mask, touch surfaces are cleaned between each student etc.

We ask that only the student and one parent/guardian attend to limit the amount of people within the building. The student should come in a **short sleeve shirt** so the upper arm is accessible for immunizations. **Please bring the students health card.** Consent for immunizations will be obtained from the parent/guardian who attends with the student, no forms need to be completed prior.

Thank you for assisting our efforts to reduce vaccine preventable diseases in the school aged population and the community at large. Below are the vaccinations routinely given in these grades along with a link to the vaccine information sheets.

Grade 6 – Hepatitis B (2 doses), Human Papillomavirus -HPV (2 doses), Meningococcal ACWY, Varicella

Grade 8 – Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis (Tdap -combined in 1 needle)

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/health/accessing-health-care-services/immunization-services#immunization-forms-and-fact-sheets>

Sincerely,

Prince Albert Public Health Nursing Team  
306-765-6510



For the safety of our students and staff, we are limiting non-essential access to the school for visitors. Please call **306-922-6446** for assistance with student pick up for appointments, questions, lunch drop off, etc. We would be happy to help you!

If you must enter the school, please wear a mask (we can provide you with one), sanitize your hands, and sign in with your name and contact information on the table across from the office. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **SCHOOL ACTIVITY FEE**

**If you have not paid your child's School Activity Fees please do so at the office.**

This fee is collected to assist in covering the costs of optional activities or events that would enhance the regular school programming and would enrich the education of participating students. Some examples of these are out of school educational experiences, activities, presentations and/or speakers.

The fee is \$10.00 for Kindergarten and \$20.00 for Gr 1-8 & Dev Ed.

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### **School Messenger/Safe Arrival**

**École Vickers Public School is now using the SafeArrival absence reporting system. Please use the toll-free number, the website, or the SchoolMessenger mobile app to report your child's absence in advance.**

**The toll free number is: **1-833-309-1241**. If you have any questions or trouble reporting an absence please call the office.**

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## INCLEMENT WEATHER



For the most part, we want our students to enjoy playing outdoors before school, during both recesses, and the noon hour. On rainy days, we allow students to come into the school upon their arrival and remain indoors during all breaks. In the winter, we use -30 degrees Celsius as our cut off to remain indoors. If the temperature and/or wind-chill in combination with the temperature exceed -30, then all students are permitted in the school in the morning and during break times. **We do expect that all students be dressed appropriately for the weather, as there are many cold days that students are expected to be outdoors.**

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### PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

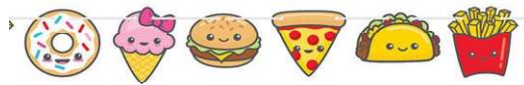


Our staff parking lots are a “no drop off zone” as they are out of bounds for students. We urge parents to support us in this safety endeavor by dropping off your children on the west side of the school on Olive Diefenbaker Drive; on Bradbury Drive, east of the Special Needs bus zone and between Gisi Road and Olive Diefenbaker Drive. We encourage the children to cross all streets in a safe manner by crossing at the corner or at cross walks. Teacher supervision is also provided at our major crosswalks. The Community Club rink parking lot is the bus pick up zone after school for our French Immersion busses, and a convenient place for French Immersion parents to meet their children for pick up.

We ask that you, please, respect the residents that border the school. Please refrain from turning around in or blocking neighboring driveways, as this is disruptive to the homeowners.

One other item of note, please remember that there have been changes made to the Traffic Bylaw which now prohibits U-turns in school zones. In an effort to improve the safety of our children, the City of Prince Albert has added this safety measure. There is a \$100 fine for violating this restriction.

Our Vickers' school zone is between Bradbury Drive and Olive Diefenbaker Drive.



# École Vickers Canteen

**Pizza (Cheese or Pepperoni).....\$2.50**

**Pizza buns (cheese) .....\$2.00**

## **Drinks:**

- **Flavored water.....\$1.50**
- **Chocolate milk.....\$1.50**
- **Large apple/orange/fruit juice.....\$1.50**
- **Juice box.....\$1.00**

**Small Snacks: (all pre-packaged).....\$1.00**

- **variety of small items such as Rice Krispie squares, goldfish crackers, cookies, baked chips, hot rods, fruit snacks, wagon wheels, and/or seasonal snacks.**

**Large Snacks: (all pre-packaged).....\$1.50**

- **Sun chips, crispers, cookies**

**\*\*SENDING A NOTE WITH YOUNGER KIDS IS ALWAYS HELPFUL!**

## Board Meeting Highlights March 10, 2021

At the March 8, 2021, Board Meeting, staff appreciation emerged in many conversations. Trustees frequently expressed gratitude for the amazing work of staff to provide excellence in education, despite the extra challenges from COVID. Other meeting highlights include:

**1. SRPSD Board Meeting with Minister of Education**

Trustees valued the opportunity to meet virtually with the Minister of Education, Dustin Duncan and capitalized on the opportunity to welcome him to his role and share some of the many successes in SRPSD. Minister Duncan expressed awareness and appreciation for the accomplishments of the division's staff in sustaining outstanding work in Early Years programming and bringing alive in schools inclusive learning practices. The enormity and nature of student need in the division surprised the Minister but he was thankful for the opportunity to learn and discuss potential solutions.

**2. Trustee Learning & Development**

SRPSD is laser-focused on learning and that is evident in the actions Trustees take at the Board table. Discussions and decisions about student learning are prevalent, but Trustees also ensure they are staying current with best practices in education and governance. At the recent meeting, the Board committed their time to participate in the upcoming national CAPSLE conference. The virtual conference will provide high quality low cost learning on dozens of educational topics from governance, to anti-racist education, to post-pandemic planning and many more. These sessions will support Trustees in their role as educational leaders and as effective voices in local government.

**3. Division and Local Teachers Association Collaboration**

Partnerships are a strong and essential part of SRPSD identity and despite COVID restrictions, the Board has sustained its many strong partnerships. Later this month the Board will meet with the leadership of the Prince Albert and Area Teachers Association PAATA for its regular engagement meeting. Agenda items are still being finalized but Trustees expect to provide the PAATA an update on the Board's meeting with the Minister and look for further conversation about the division's pandemic response. There is a strong and valuable tradition of open and amicable conversations about diverse topics often leading to productive response. The Board always appreciates the opportunity to collaborate with teachers on joint advocacy and action.

The Board hopes this brief update can provide information and promote communication. If you want further details about the Board and its meetings, you can find information at this link [SRPSD Board Information](#) or under the "About Us" tab at [www.srsd119.ca](http://www.srsd119.ca). You are also encouraged to contact your local trustee.

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