



***“Living and Learning in Faith”***

**Taber Christian High school News and Notes: August 31 – September 6**

**Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup>**

- First day of school!
- Parents will be asked to pick up Division registration forms from the school
- Orientation / Crew Meeting / Orientation to start the school year

**Tuesday, September 1**

**Wednesday, September 2**

**Thursday, September 3**

**Friday, September 4**

**Taber Christian High school staff**

**Miriam Bekkering:** Math/Science and Options teacher (will work afternoons)

**Melissa Trowsdale:** Education Assistant (will work afternoons)

**Debbie Henry:** Education Assistant (will work mornings).

**Trudy Neufeld:** Education Assistant (will work full time at TCHS)

**Tanya Hoekstra:** Secretary (will work Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at TCHS) school.

**Kim Scheurkogel:** Taber Christian Society Manager (will work Monday and Thursday mornings as receptionist at TCHS).

**Jason Visser:** Principal/Teacher





## **The First Day!**

- TCHS staff will be outside the front doors to greet parents and students as they come to school. Once it is time to begin the day, Mr. Visser will share some thoughts on the upcoming school year and open the year in prayer.
- After this the students will enter the school and drop off their supplies in the gym. They will then go to the multipurpose room and we will share in an opening “CREW circle”  
  
(parents may be given Horizon school division forms, and will have a chance to turn any forms in to TCHS staff).

## **Covid Protocol**

- When walking in common areas or when in ‘tight spaces’ where it is not possible to physically distance, masks will need to be worn (masks will be provided for the students).
- All people are encouraged to wash hands/use hand sanitizer frequently throughout the day
- In classroom settings where distancing is possible, masks will not need to be worn
- High touch surfaces will be frequently wiped down
- The school will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected at the end of each school day.

## **Reminders for Parents**

- The office phone number for the High School is **403-359-3835**. Please feel free to phone. If we are not in the office, please leave a message and we will do our best to check regularly.
- Please use the parking in front of the High School area and not in front of the church building.
- If you plan on coming into the school, we strongly encourage you to call first to book an appointment. This will ensure that we do not have too many visitors inside the building at the same time.
- We ask that all visitors wear a mask, use hand sanitizer and sign-in at the school office - located just inside the High School doors.

# SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR 2020-2021

## Important Dates:

**August 31** - First day of school

**September 7** - Division Wide Holiday - no students, no staff)

**September 24** - School Based PD Day (All Schools - no students)

**September 25** - Planning for Student Support Day (All Schools - no students)

**October 12** - Thanksgiving Day Holiday (no staff, no students)

**October 15** - School Based Parent/Teacher Interviews - after school

**October 22** - School Based PD Day (All Schools - no students)

**October 23** - School Based PD Day, ½ day - no students



**Get Involved!**

## TCHS school council

Schools across the province are mandated to have a school council. In light of this TCHS would like to develop a School / Parent council for our school. School council meetings are open to parents who want to learn more about the programming at their child's school. Taber Christian High school will be looking to host a school council meeting later in September. The nature of the meeting will need to follow CoVid protocols. More details to come.

**Deep Hopes:** Over this past week Mrs. Bekkering and Mr. Visser attended training on developing our Deep Hopes for this school year. While there are a myriad of things happening at a school, it is important to be mindful of the foundational reasons as to why we engage in Christian education.

**“My deep hope is that students will begin to approach brokenness in their lives, their communities and the world with confidence, compassion and grace; and that they will discover their role in God’s story of restoration.” -Mrs. Bekkering**

**“My deep hope is to empower students to be both active and reflective in serving God and others as their life’s reflection” -Mr. Visser**

***-Looking forward to a great year!***