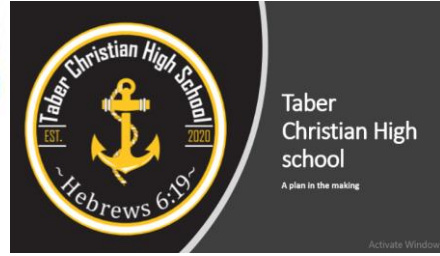




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## ***Taber Christian High School News and Notes: August 2021***

### **School Year Calendar 2020-2021**

#### **Important Dates:**

- Tuesday, August 31 – First day of school!  
Welcome back assembly 10:30 am)
- Monday, September 6 – Labor day (no school)
- Thursday, September 23 – Professional Learning day (no school for students)
- Friday, September 24 – Planning day (no school for students)
- Monday, October 11 – Thanksgiving Holiday (no school)
- Thursday, Oct 21 – Friday, Oct 22 – Christian schools Teacher Convention (no school for students)
- Monday, October 25 – Professional Learning day (no school for students)

**For more calendar dates, parents can see the calendar attached at the end of this document.**

#### **Welcome Back!**

Obviously there is still some summer left, but as we continue to travel through August, we at TCHS are preparing to kick off our 2<sup>nd</sup> school year. In light of that, this welcome back newsletter will hopefully answer a few questions that students and parents might have as we approach start up.



## Taber Christian High School Staff 2021 - 22

### Returning:

**Mrs. Miriam Bekkering:** Science and Learning Support Teacher (will work mornings)

**Mrs. Debbie Henry:** Education Assistant (full time).

**Mrs. Trudy Neufeld:** Education Assistant (full time)

**Mrs. Tanya Hoekstra:** Secretary (full time)

**Mr. Jason Visser:** Principal/Teacher

### New to TCHS!:

**Mr. Phil Vriend:** Teacher: CALM, English, PE and some options classes (full time)

*Note: Mr. Vriend taught CALM and the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of PE 10 this past school year. This year he will be at TCHS full time.*

**Mrs. Nikki Ohlman:** Teacher: Math and some options classes (afternoons at TCHS)

**Mrs. Vine Bonthuis:** Education Assistant (full time)



### The First Day! (Tuesday, Aug 31)

- TCHS staff will be outside the front doors to greet parents and students as they come to school. Staff will also guide students as to where they need to go.
- Opening Assembly – an opening assembly is planned for 10:30 am on the first day (***the time is to allow parents to attend both TCS school opening assemblies should they choose***). The assembly will be in the church sanctuary. All parents are invited as we will be going over information about the upcoming school year.

(Parents may be given Horizon school division forms and will have a chance to turn any forms in to TCHS staff).

### Reminder for Parents and Students

- The office phone number for the High School is **403-359-3835**. Please feel free to phone if you have questions. If we are not in the office, please leave a message and we will do our best to check regularly.
- Students / parents are asked to call if not attending school for the day.
- Please use the parking in front of the High School area and not in front of the church building.

## Option Fees:

In light of the additional costs associated with Construction and foods options, students will be asked to pay their option fees before joining the course. The construction course has a fee of \$30, while the foods courses have fees of \$20.

Note: these fees are not representative of the entire cost of the course as the school will also subsidize these courses to help offset costs for students.

**We would prefer is parents pay for school fees through “School Cash Online” To access this, go to our school website: [tchs.horizon.ab.ca](http://tchs.horizon.ab.ca) and go to the “Quick Links - School Cash Online” to set-up.** Please let Mrs. Hoekstra know if you have any questions about this: [tanya.hoekstra@horizon.ab.ca](mailto:tanya.hoekstra@horizon.ab.ca) or 403-359-3835. This will be set -up by the end of the first week of school.



## TCHS School Council

Schools across the province are mandated to have a school council. TCHS will hold 4 School / Parent council meetings throughout the school year. 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. More details to come.

## TCHS Volunteer Opportunities



**We are looking for a volunteer to help out in our Art Class and Wood working class for the 2021/2022 school year. It would be for 1 hour in the afternoon, once or twice a week (depending on the volunteer's schedule). If you know of anyone who has some experience and who may be interested, please talk to Jason Visser: [jason.visser@horizon.ab.ca](mailto:jason.visser@horizon.ab.ca)**

**Taber Christian High School  
School Supply List 2021-2022**

General Supplies	Binders, Loose leaf lined paper, graph paper, pens, pencils, erasers, USB drive, Duo-tangs,
Laptop (preferred) or iPad	*Not mandatory*
Math 10-3 and 20-3	Scientific calculator (not graphing calculator, as students are not allowed to use a graphing calculator on Provincial Achievement Test)
Math 10C, 20-1, 20-2	Texas Instrument Graphing Calculator - one of the following models: TI 83 or TI 83+, TI 84 or TI 84+
Chemistry, Physics/Science 10/20	Graphing paper Scientific or Graphing calculator
PE	Gym clothes and clean, non-marking shoes

**Deep Hopes:** Over this past year and into this school year, TCHS staff continue to work at developing meaningful, Christian Centered learning opportunities for students. While there are always many things happening at a school, it is important to be mindful of the foundational reasons as to why we engage in Christian education. To illustrate this, the following deep hopes are shared with our community as a way of centering ourselves for the upcoming school year.

**“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 that my students will understand the significance of language on individual human life and epitomize the love of Christ through the words, thoughts, and actions they express to themselves and others.        -Mr Vriend**

**“My deep hope is that students actively engage in learning and are empowered to be both active and reflective in serving God and others as part of their identity.        -Mr. Visser**

# TCHS Calendar – 2021 - 22

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Instructional Days 20 M-Th 16 F 4

	Sem. 1	Sem. 2	Total
Instructional Days	90	90	180
Non-Instructional Days	10	6	16
Total Days			196

- First Day of School (1-12)
- Last day of 1st Semester
- First day of 2nd Semester
- Last Day of School (Elem.)
- Last Day of School (Jr. High & Sr. High)
- PAT Grades 6, 9
- PAT & Diploma Exams
- Diploma Exams
- Report Card
- Planning for Student Support Day (All Schools) - no students

- Division Wide Holiday - no students, no staff
- Division Wide Time Free From Instruction (TFFI) - no students
- Division Wide Teacher PD Day - no students
- Division Wide Teacher/Support Staff PD Day - no students
- Division Wide Unassigned Teacher Time - no students, no staff
- School Based Time Free From Instruction (TFFI) - no students
- School Based PD Day (All Schools) - no Students
- School Based PD Day, 1/2 day - No Students
- School Based Unassigned Teacher Time - no students, no staff
- School Based Parent/Teacher Interviews - no students
- School Based Parent/Teacher Interviews - after school

Date	Holidays & Observances
September 6, 2021	Labour Day
October 11, 2021	Thanksgiving Day
November 7, 2021	Daylight Savings Ends
November 11, 2021	Remembrance Day
December 25, 2021	Christmas Day
December 26, 2021	Boxing Day
January 1, 2022	New Year's Day
January 6, 2022	Epiphany
February 21, 2022	Family Day (Alberta)
February 24-25, 2022	Teachers Convention
March 12, 2022	Daylight Savings Begins
April 15, 2022	Good Friday
April 18, 2022	Easter Monday
May 23, 2022	Victoria Day
May 26, 2022	Ascension
June 5, 2022	Pentecost
June 21, 2022	National Indigenous Peoples Day
July 1, 2022	Canada Day