



horizon³ school division



“Freedom Grows” - Galatians 5: 13 - 14 (The Message)

“Weak people revenge, strong people forgive, intelligent people ignore” -Albert Einstein

Phone: 403 359 3835. Website:<https://tchs.horizon.ab.ca>

***Taber Christian High School News and Notes:
January 25 2025***

Monday, Jan 27 - No School for students, Gr. 10 In Person First Aid Session for Group A!
JV/SV Boys BB @ Winston Churchill 6 & 7:30pm JV/SV Girls BB @ Prairie Winds 6 & 7:30pm

Tuesday, Jan 28 - 1st day of 2nd semester! Gr. 10 In Person First Aid for Group B!
Hot lunch - Rancho Viejo Tacos!

Wednesday, Jan 29 - Report Cards go home

Thursday, Jan 30 - JV/SV Boys host Prairie Winds 6pm & 7:30pm, Hot lunch - Spaghet!

Friday, Jan 31 - SV Boys @ “Clash of the Titans” Coaldale Tournament (Fri/Sat), SV Girls @
Coalhurst Tournament

Important Dates

January 28 - 1st day of 2nd semester

January 29 - Report cards go home

February 17-19 - No School for staff and students

February 20-21 - Teacher’s Convention & PD - no school

February 24 - Division Wide PD Day - no school for students

February 27&28 - LifeTouch Graduation Pictures (Grade 12)

March 28 - No School for staff and students

March 29 - Taber Christian Schools Bazaar

April 04 - Last day of Quarter 3

April 7 - First day of Quarter 4

April 8 - Report cards go home

April 18 - Good Friday - no school

April 21-25 - Spring break - no school

May 8/9 - Musicales (Three Hills AB)

May 10 - Taber Christian Schools Golf Tournament

May 16 - PD Day - no school for students

May 19 - Victoria Day - no school

June 06 - Grade 12 Graduation - 3pm ceremony

June 19 - Last day of school Grade 9

June 24 - Last day of school Gr. 10-12

***For our full calendar - please visit <http://tchs.horizon.ab.ca>**

Reminders!!

- The office phone number for the High School is **403-359-3835**. Please let the office know if your son or daughter will be absent; arriving late or leaving early from school.

- Our school website is www.tchs.horizon.ab.ca. Check regularly for calendar dates, athletic calendar, TCHS newsletters and much more.
- **We recommend that all students have locker locks!** Please let the office know the combination number so it can be recorded in PowerSchool.



School Programming

The TCHS counseling staff is working on a project to gather insight into current student needs and mental health wellness. To do this the Wellness Coach, Hailey Astalos has created a Google form for students to submit feedback on what they wish adults knew about their lives. Here's a summary of the project:

I wish the adults in my life knew...(teachers, parents, etc.). For example, "I wish my parents knew how hard I am trying", or "I wish my teachers knew how much their support means to me". We want to know what is going on in their world and how the adults in their lives could offer support.

The student's responses will be printed and posted on a bulletin board for the school community to view. Their name WILL NOT be included in their response. The counselor will be the one person to see the names attached to the responses so that they can offer support if needed. Parents, staff, and students are welcome to view the anonymous results.

In March, the Wellness Coach will invite parents and teachers to complete a follow-up survey on how they might support their students. If you have questions or concerns about the survey or its purpose please contact Hailey Astalos or Jay Visser.

Grade 10 SJA First Aid/CPR Course

For the grade 10 students who are taking the St. John Ambulance First Aid and CPR course, please remember that your online course needs to be completed today Friday, January 24. Some grade 10 students will be in the Monday In-Person class on January 27 while others will be in this class on Tuesday, January 28. Students were told which group they are in! If students or parents are having trouble with the online course, please let Mrs Hoekstra know @ tanya.hoekstra@horizon.ab.ca. If there are any other questions, feel free to email or contact the school office at 403-359-3835. Thank you!

Lions' Athletics!



Our Senior Varsity boys were at the Heritage Christian Invitational Basketball tournament last weekend in Calgary. They played some terrific basketball. After losing their first game by 5 points to HCA, they went to the consolation bracket. Their next two games were against Calgary Christian and Prairie Christian. Both games were wins and they ended up as the consolation winners! Thank you to all the wonderful families who came along to cheer them on!

Our Senior Varsity boys as well as the Junior Varsity and Senior Varsity girls will all be participating in the "Black and Blue" Basketball tournament this weekend! This is a home tournament that is co-hosted with St. Mary's! We are looking forward to a great weekend of basketball!

We also have a few games coming up this week for league play. Our girls will be playing at Prairie Winds on Monday while the boys will be going to Winston Churchill. Our boys are also hosting Prairie Winds on Thursday here at TCHS! We want to encourage our TCHS community to come on out to cheer them on! We are proud of all of our athletes! Let's go Lions!!

For more information, please visit our website: <https://tchs.horizon.ab.ca/athletics>. Also follow us on Facebook and Instagram!





January 22, 2025

Dear staff, and families of Horizon School Division

As you may be aware / as we previously communicated, PowerSchool – a cloud-based software vendor used by the Horizon School Division – recently experienced a cybersecurity incident involving unauthorized access to certain information in the PowerSchool Student Information System.

We are reaching out to share more information and next steps that we recently received directly from PowerSchool:

- **Identity Protection and Credit Monitoring Services:** PowerSchool has engaged TransUnion and Experian, trusted credit reporting agencies, to offer **two years of complimentary identity protection services for all students and educators whose information from our PowerSchool SIS was involved. This offer will also include two years of complimentary credit monitoring services for all students and educators whose information was involved and who have reached the age of majority (18 years of age).** The offered credit monitoring services, which will be available for those who have reached the age of majority, will be provided by TransUnion; the offered identity protection services, which will be available for all involved students and educators, will be provided by Experian. Credit monitoring is being provided by TransUnion because Experian does not offer credit monitoring in Canada.
- **Notification to Individuals Involved:** Starting in the next few weeks, in collaboration with TransUnion and Experian, PowerSchool will provide notice to students, parents / guardians and educators (as applicable) whose information was involved, as well as a phone number to answer any questions you may have about the incident. The notice will include the identity protection and credit monitoring services offer (as applicable).
- As soon as PowerSchool learned of the incident, they engaged cybersecurity response protocols and mobilized third-party cybersecurity experts to conduct a forensic investigation and to monitor for signs of information misuse. PowerSchool is not aware of any identity theft attributable to this incident.

In the meantime, I encourage you to visit

<https://www.horizon.ab.ca/our-division/news/post/powerschool-cybersecurity-incident>

<https://www.powerschool.com/security/sis-incident/>

for up-to-date information on the cybersecurity incident.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Hyman", written over a horizontal line.

Superintendent of Schools

