



St Paul Regional High School

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2024

School Calendar 2023-2024

- Feb 02— PLC Day
- Feb 07— Last Day for Course Changes & Report Cards
- Feb 08— Second Semester Pictures & Sports Photos
- Feb 14— Early Dismissal @2pm
- Feb 15 & 16— Teachers' Convention
- Feb 19— Family Day
- Feb 23— Marks Update
- Feb 29— Parent Council Meeting @7pm

- Mar 01— PLC Day
- Mar 05— Grade 9 Orientation Night @6:30 pm
- Mar 6-8— Graduation Pictures
- Mar 12— Student Led Conferences 6-8pm
- Mar 21— Parent Council Meeting @7pm
- Mar 25-Apr 01— Spring Break

- Apr 02— School Begins
- Apr 04— Graduation Picture Retakes
- Apr 19— PLC Day
- Apr 25— Parent Council Meeting @7pm
- Apr 26— Marks Update

- May 14— Sports Photos
- May 16— PLC Day
- May 17— No School
- May 20— Victoria Day—No School
- May 30 —School Council Meeting @7pm
- May 31— Marks Update

- Jun 13— Last Day of Regular Classes
- Jun 14— PLC Day
- Jun 17— Final Core Exams Begin
- Jun 27— PD Day
- Jun 28— Graduation



POWERSCHOOL APP

Looking for access to your students marks, attendance & more?

Log In to your PowerSchool Parent Portal today!

Visit <https://powerschool.sperd.ca/public/>

Call Erin at 780-645-4491 in the office if you are unable to log in for any reason.

Grad Photos Etc.

Grad Photos will take place from March 6 - 8, 2024 by appointment. Appointments can be made online via:

<https://prestigeportraits.ca/>

To book: Follow the link. Enter the province: Alberta, and the city : St. Paul . Then select: St. Paul Regional High School and follow the steps.

A representative from **Jostens Grad Rings will also be on site from 11am-2pm on March 6 - 7.** You will be able to order rings through her or online at www.jostens.com. Grad Rings are completely optional to Grad students.

Please check the 'Grad' section of our website for updates as available. www.sprhs.ca/grad



#PINKSHIRTDAY
FEB. 28, 2024



Attendance Phone
text

780 - 614 - 3731

It is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to contact the office to report any absences for a student.

Grad Notes

A reminder to all Grads to get into the habit of checking their school email accounts together with the Grad Google Classroom.

As we head into the second half of the year, there will be updates, surveys, announcements and other important

information shared with students through these platforms.

Information will continue to be posted on our website at: <https://www.sprhs.ca/students/grad>

**REPORT
CARDS**

Wednesday, Feb. 7

Semester 1 Report cards were given to students during Team XV on Wednesday, Feb. 7

February 2024

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
			1 12" Pizza Sub w/ Caesar Salad	2 PLC DAY
5 Chicken Bacon Burger w/ Fries	6 Mac & Cheese w/ Wieners	7 Perogies in Cream w/ Smokie	8 Taco Salad	9 Chicken Cae- sar Salad w/ Garlic Bread
12 Chicken Nuggets, Dipping Sauce & Fries	13 SHROVE TUESDAY Free Pancakes w/ Sausage	14 Chicken on a Cloud	15 16 Teacher's Convention	
19 NO SCHOOL	20 Chicken Cheese- burger w/ Poutine	21 Shepherd's Pie & Ice Cream Sandwich	22 Ginger Beef, Rice & Hot Vegetables	23 Popcorn Chicken w/ Fries
26 Bacon Cheese- burger w/ Fries	27 Taco in a Bag	28 Tomato Soup & Grilled Cheese	29 Turkey Pot Pie & Caesar Salad	

**TEACHER'S
CONVENTION**

Feb. 15-16

**Early Dismissal @ 2pm on
February 14, 2024**

**Have you paid
your school
fees?**

****See page 7 for more
information****

SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

SAINTS Curling



Congratulations to our curling teams who swept the SPAA finals and brought home all 3 SPAA banners.

- **NEASAA Zones Lloydminster:**
February 12-13
- **ASAA Provincials
Drayton Valley:**
February 22-24

#GOSAINTSGO

SAINTS Basketball

Sr. BASKETBALL

Stettler Tournament: Feb 23 & 24

3A Zones in Fort McMurray: March 8 & 9

ASAA 3A Provincials in Strathmore/Sturgeon:
March 14-16

Jr. BASKETBALL

Boys and Girls Finished 2nd in the Notre Dame Basketball Tournament held on Jan 19 & 20.

SPAA Semi Finals: Feb 26/24

SPAA Finals: Feb 28/24



Student-Led CONFERENCES

MAR. 12, 2024
Details TBA.

OverDrive

Try Digital!



Victoria Aveyard - *Red Queen*

Interest Level: Upper Middle Grades (6th - 12th)

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www.soraapp.com

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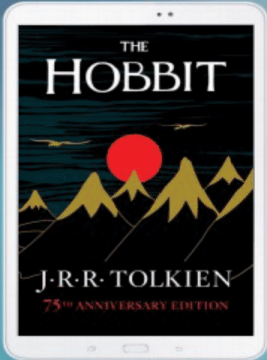
Come see me

Mrs. Della

BORROW
EBOOKS
& AUDIOBOOKS
 free from the school

OverDrive

Try Digital!



J.R.R. Tolkien - *The Hobbit*

Interest Level: Upper Grades (9th - 12th)

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www.soraapp.com

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- Find my school
- Alberta Public School K-12
- This is my School
- Select your School

St Paul Education Regional Division No1

Log in: last4first4

Password: *****

(*this password is the same as your Google / computer login at school)

Or use this Quick code: apssdcca

YEARBOOK

The 2022-2023 Yearbook is
READY FOR PICK-UP
in the main office!

This year's 2023-2024 yearbook can be ORDERED ONLINE THROUGH LIFETOUCH. Simply scan the code to the right. There is also a link on our school website under the 'students' tab.

BUY A
BOOK

\$50.00 each



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Friendship February

One way to practice self-care and promote wellness is through connection with others and building healthy relationships. Being a good friend can mean: Being there, and letting your friends know that you're there for them. Sending your friend a kind message, let them know you're thinking about them. Make plans & make time for your friends.

Check out our **SCHOOL STORE** for amazing Saints Swag and UnderArmour gear. New stock arriving weekly. Makes **GREAT** Christmas gifts!

Gift Certificates are also available.

Open daily over the lunch break—located across from the cafeteria.



WE NEED YOUR HELP FINDING
BUS DRIVERS!



Dear Parents,

We're on the lookout for new bus drivers, and we need your help!

Finding regular and casual school bus drivers is proving to be quite challenging. So, we are turning to our parent community to help us navigate our recruitment journey.

Why become a bus driver? Well, besides being the captain of the coolest ride in town, here are a few perks:

- Work just a few hours a day
- No evenings and weekends
- Same holidays as students
- Preschoolers can ride with you
- Paid training and safety courses
- Health Benefit Spending Account (dependent on eligibility)

If you know someone with a passion for safety and a knack for keeping the good vibes rolling, please encourage them to apply. It could be a neighbor, a friend, or even yourself – no prior bus-driving experience required, just a willingness to embrace the adventure!

To express interest or learn more, please contact our transportation department at 780-645-3323.



SchoolCashOnline

SCHOOL CASH

School fees will be accepted using School Cash Online in an effort to minimize traffic in our schools and increase efficiency.

School Cash Online helps parents and community members pay school-related fees safely, quickly and easily.

The new system puts all of the school fees available to your student online for purchase. You can then choose to pay

these fees online through different methods, including credit cards, credit/debit cards and eCheck. You can also stay informed and keep track of which school fees require your attention.

You are able to register – a simple task that takes less than five minutes – by visiting :

<https://sperd.schoolcashonline.com>

(If you do not receive an email verification please check your spam folder.)

Please note: You do not need your child's student number. For security purposes St. Paul Education is not using unique student identification numbers. Please ensure "I do not have the student number" is selected when registering.

Also, upon registration you will be asked if you would like to receive notifications via email. **We strongly encourage you to say yes to this request in order to receive future notification of items available to purchase online.**

1 Create an account

2 Add students

3 Make a payment or complete a form

How to create an account

- Go to <https://sperd.schoolcashonline.com> and click **Register**. You can set a default language at the bottom of the SchoolCash Online site.
 - Type your first name, last name, and email address, and create a password.
 - Select a security question.
 - Select YES to receive email notifications. You will **not** receive any marketing emails. Selecting YES enables the system to send you notifications about school fees and items.
- SchoolCash Online will send you a registration confirmation email. If you do not receive it, check your Spam folder.
- Use your email address and password to log in.

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How to add a student to your account

- Sign in to SchoolCash Online through <https://sperd.schoolcashonline.com>.
- From the menu at the top of the page, navigate to MY ACCOUNT.
- From the dropdown menu, select My Students.
- Click to add a student.
 - Type in your School Board Name.
 - Select your school name from the list.
 - Enter student details. The system is fully secure, with [PCI certification](#).
 - Click Confirm.

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How to make a payment or complete a form

- You will be able to view any available items or forms attached to your students that are set up on your account.
- Select the item which you would like to purchase/complete and click "Add to Cart."
- Once you have finished adding items to your cart, click "Continue".

You can pay or submit a form for multiple students' items in one checkout.

SPRHS

CAREER CORNER

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IMPORTANT DATES

Feb 1: Applications open for Winter 2025@ Bow Valley College and residence applications open for Concordia University of Edmonton

Feb 10: Augustana Preview Day

Mar 4-6: Portage College Open House (date varies by campus)

Mar 7 & 8: Lakeland College Program Info Sessions (date varies by campus)

SCHOLARSHIPS

We have several scholarships available for students to apply for.

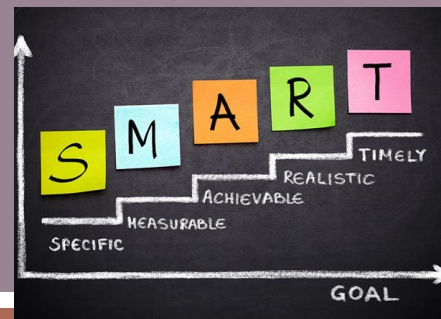
- UAlberta's Discover U of A award and the Turtle Spirit Pathway Award (for FMNI students) Deadline: Feb 15
- Right Honourable Don Mazankowski Award Deadline: Feb 29
- RE/Max Quest for Excellence Scholarship Deadline: Mar 13

For more info, visit

www.sprhs.ca/students/scholarships or check out our scholarship bulletin board at school across from Mrs. Ranger's class.

NEW SEMESTER

With a new semester starting, this is a good time for a fresh start and some new goals. What do you want to improve this semester? What can we do differently to be more successful this semester? We encourage our students to meet with our Career Counsellors to revisit their high school plans and develop new goals on myBlueprint.



CAREER PRESENTATIONS - TEAM XV

On Feb 21st during Team XV in room 220, we are hosting a presentation from Olds College about careers in agriculture. Many students only think of a handful of jobs in agriculture but the reality is this is a growing, in demand field, with many job possibilities that we don't even realize exist!

Also on Feb 28th during Team XV, we are excited to have Jeanelle Richard, a Registered Dietitian from the St. Paul Healthcare Centre, come to SPRHS to talk to students about her occupation. Are you interested in health care and nutrition? Come join us to see if this job would interest you.

Program Previews - registration now open!

JOIN US FOR

PROGRAM PREVIEWS

FEBRUARY → MARCH

Spend a day on campus exploring their programs, touring the labs, and get a chance to win a \$100 visa gift card. See your Career Counsellor for more info.

Stay in the loop by checking your student emails and keeping an eye on the bulletin boards and TV announcements.



January 17, 2024

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



St. Paul Education

Parent Session

The Division has booked Ariel Haubrich to facilitate a free session for parents on social media use and mental health in youth. There are two options for attending: January 30 in Two Hills or January 31 in St. Paul. The session timeframe is 6:45 - 8:45 p.m. on both evenings. Registration is not required; however, those who wish to join us for pizza are asked to RSVP by completing this [form](#). More information about the session is available [here](#).

2024-25 School Calendar

Surveys have been sent to staff and parents regarding the 2024-25 Learning Calendar. The surveys will close on January 19, and the Board will review the results in February.

Educational Technology

Associate Superintendent of Learning Keith Gamblin provided an overview of the Division's educational technology goals for 2023-24. These goals include developing a technology evergreening plan, implementing the Go FMX program for technology requests, updating the Division's data retention plan, and examining ways in which artificial intelligence can support student learning.

Jordan's Principle Contribution Agreement

The Board approved a motion that the Division submit an application for support through Jordan's Principle as a group application according to the requirements of Indigenous Services Canada.

Education Assistant Internship Pilot

The Division has been chosen to participate in an educational opportunity that provides professional development to educational assistants through online modules and coaching, as well as Community of Practice sessions.

Doug Yeo Youth in Action Award

Congratulations to New Myrnam School for being the recipient of the Doug Yeo - Youth in Action Award for 2023-24. This annual award recognizes student participation in class/group projects in areas of community service, character development and healthy lifestyles. The school will use the \$500 scholarship to support innovative projects being led by students in the area of environmental sustainability.

Financial Report

Budget planning for 2024-25 has started with the Division submitting enrolment projections to Alberta Education, focusing solely on provincial numbers. The anticipated enrolments are slightly lower than the current numbers. These projections and subsequent actual enrolment play a pivotal role in shaping the budget allocated by the province.

Alberta Education Satisfaction Surveys

The Ministry of Education will conduct its annual satisfaction telephone and online surveys to collect public and participant perceptions of Alberta's education system. These surveys gather responses from a random sample of parents, the public, high school students, teachers, principals, and school board trustees, as well as employers of recent high school graduates. Advanis Inc. will begin survey administration of the telephone/online surveys on January 15, 2024, with an expected conclusion in May 2024.

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Learning Together, Growing Together