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QUICK LINKS

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- Brightspace by D2L
- WCHS Truth & Reconciliation Commitment
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HIGH SCHOOL

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SCHOOL MESSAGE

Hello to our Western families,

As we head into the Thanksgiving long weekend, we trust that you'll be able to enjoy some time with family and friends to even briefly ponder and appreciate the various benefits and opportunities that come with living here in Calgary - where we seem to be safe from hurricanes, for instance.

Now in my second year at Western, I continue to be thankful for the many wonderful aspects of our school. We're working through yet another school survey with our students right now and, in doing so, we've had the chance to revisit the results from last year's survey. One of the stats that stood out to us was around the concept of belonging. For 'students who feel accepted and valued by their peers and by others at their school', our Western students had a high sense of belonging and were a rather-significant 13% above the Canadian norm. While we are definitely glad that so many of our students feel this way, we are also aware that it doesn't happen by accident and that it takes an entire school community to foster this type of sentiment; so, on behalf of our staff, I would like to extend a thank you to our parents/guardians for all your support, contributions, and expectations towards your children and our students.

Enjoy the long weekend!

Thank you,

Darrin Whitbread, Principal | Western Canada High School



STUDENT
SPOTLIGHT

Evelyn C. and Sarah W. took home GOLD in Duet Acting at NTHS's Speech Tournament.

Way to go, Evelyn and Sarah!

UPCOMING DATES

- **Thanksgiving Day (No School)**
 - Monday, October 14th
- **Photo Retake Day**
 - Tuesday, October 15th
- **Booking Opens for PT Conferences**
 - Thursday, October 17th
- **Parent Teacher Conferences**
 - Thursday, October 24th | In-Person
 - Friday, October 25th | Online
- **Non-Instruction Day**
 - Friday, October 25th



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Unique Pathways & Off-Campus Education

Applications are now open for dual credit and exploratory programs. Deadline for application submission is November 15th. These programs are tuition-free learning opportunities provided by Alberta post-secondary institutions, industry partners, and community organizations. Opportunities range from practical, hands-on learning experiences in Exploratory programs to Dual Credit courses and programs that allow students to participate in post-secondary learning with the support of a supervising CBE teacher. These programs allow students to complete high school their own way and set students up for future success by easing the transition to post-secondary learning and/or the workplace.

To see a full list of available learning opportunities go to:

<https://cbe.ab.ca/programs/high-school/unique-pathways-and-off-campus-education/Pages/default.aspx> - or see Mr. Smith in the Tech Centre.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



Debate

The WCHS Debate team is sending 5 teams to the inaugural British Parliamentary-style debate of the season at North Trail High School! We're hopeful that our amazing debaters will have a great time duking it out (intellectually-speaking).

OTHER REMINDERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Parking Lot Reminder for PARENTS

We have had a number of parents parking in the student lot in the morning and staying for a significant period of time. This disrupts students who have arrived for tutorials and cannot find a spot. If you are dropping off your child, please do so then leave the parking lot. If you need to come in for an appointment, park in one of the stalls numbered in the 60's against the school wall and record your license plate with the secretary in the main office. Thank you for adhering to this! - Steve Wiebe (Assistant Principal)



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Are You Ready For Winter?

If you are experiencing financial barriers to getting a winter coat, please use your educbe account to fill out this form: <https://forms.gle/QBSDZqHe7yp25uoeA> Ms. Meier will contact you soon with details on how to take part in this free and discreet program. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Meier - room 152 in periods 1 & 2 or jlmeier@cbe.ab.ca

Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent teacher conferences are fast approaching! Teachers will be available for pre-scheduled 10 minutes meetings on Thursday, October 24th from 5-8PM (in-person) and Friday, October 25th (online).

Booking will open to parents/guardians on Thursday, October 17th at 9AM.

How to Book a School Conference

1. Log-in to [MyCBE](#). If you do not have an account, follow the [Create a MyCBE Account](#) instructions.
2. Click on the My School Conferences icon.
3. Click on the time slot that is available and convenient for you. Ensure pop-up windows are allowed.
4. In the pop-up window, you will choose your child (you have the option to enter the student's name), the name of the parent / guardian is pre-filled, but can also be changed.

Create a MyCBE Account

1. Go to www.cbe.ab.ca/mycbe and click on the "Create Parent Account" link.
2. Important: the email that you are using to create your account must be the same one you have provided to the school. If you are unsure, please contact the school office.
3. Once you have created an account, you will receive a confirmation email.
4. After your account is confirmed, you can login to the system.