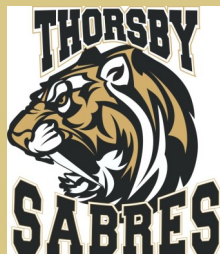


# TJSHS Newsletter



MARCH 2021



## Ganton Gazette

Well we have had a 50 degree swing in weather since the last time I was writing one of these messages. We are also coming up on the year anniversary of when our world changed in the blink of an eye. There have been discussions around the education world that we might see an increase in anxiety related behaviours based on the trauma that students have gone through as this milestone passes. So if you see a change in behaviour from your student in the next little while know that you are likely not alone and that we at the school are here to help.

This week was substitute teacher appreciation week. Luckily we haven't had to use very many subs this year (knocking on every piece of wood near me). But we are lucky to have such fantastic substitute teachers like Mrs. Drysdale, Mrs. Scheetz, Mrs. McDonald to name a few that are able to step in on a moment's notice and continue with our students' education.

I hope that everyone has a great rest of March and a restful and relaxing spring break. Here is a picture of Jack, Ruby and Lewis enjoying the saucer swing at the park near our house.





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Look for **Thorsby Junior Senior High School** on Facebook!



Thorsby Student Union is also on Instagram and Snapchat.

Instagram: **ths\_studentsunion**

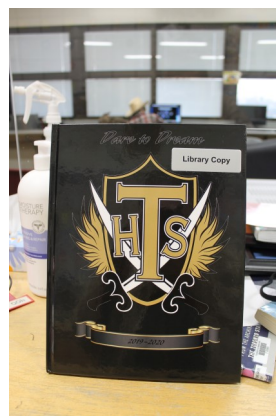
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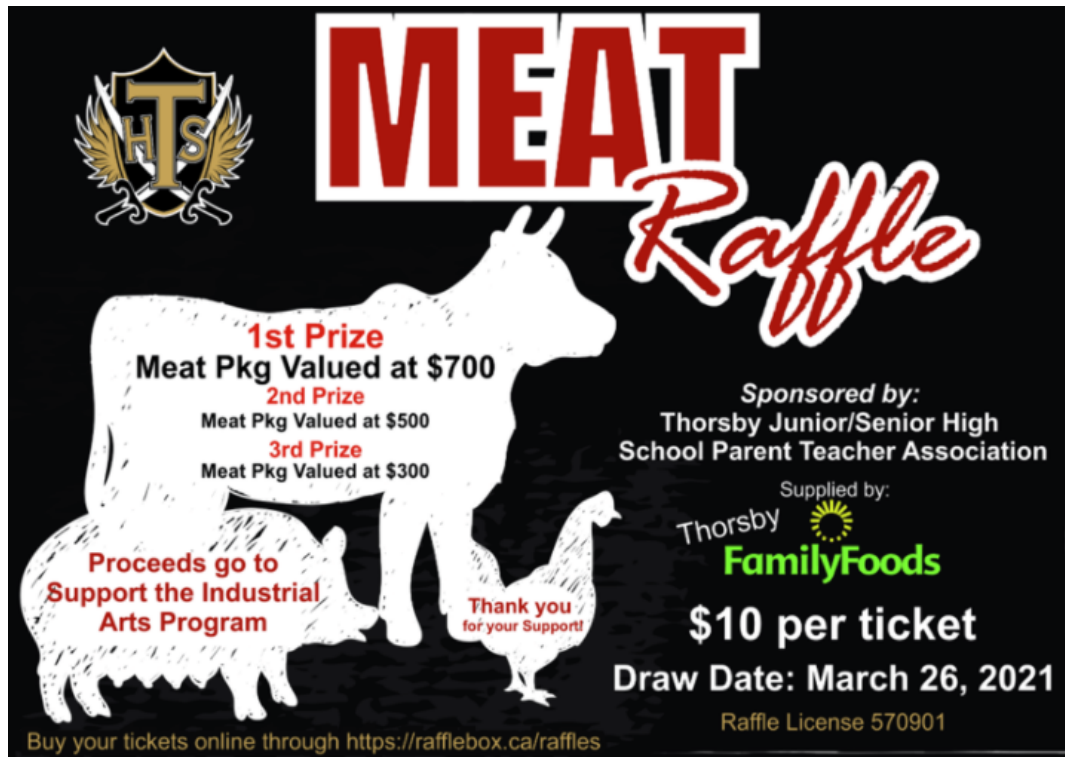
Watch for details on upcoming events happening at the high school!

## 2019-2020 Yearbook

Do you have your 2019-2020 yearbook yet?  
Mrs. McLeod has them in the office. Cost is \$50. Get yours today!



Do you have your tickets yet? Go online and buy yours today!




**MEAT Raffle**

**1st Prize**  
Meat Pkg Valued at \$700

**2nd Prize**  
Meat Pkg Valued at \$500

**3rd Prize**  
Meat Pkg Valued at \$300

**Sponsored by:**  
Thorsby Junior/Senior High  
School Parent Teacher Association

**Supplied by:**  
Thorsby  **FamilyFoods**


**\$10 per ticket**  
**Draw Date: March 26, 2021**  
Raffle License 570901

**Proceeds go to Support the Industrial Arts Program**

**Thank you for your Support!**

Buy your tickets online through <https://rafflebox.ca/raffles>

## Spring Grad Fundraiser



**Growing Smiles FUNDRAISING**

Need help? [Email](#) or call 780-974-1458

HOME LOGIN

**Order Deadline:** Wed, Apr 7 (6:00 AM)  
(in 28 days)

**Confirmed Pickup Date:** Tuesday, May 4 (in 8 weeks)

**WELCOME TO OUR Spring Plant FUNDRAISER**

Thorsby Junior Senior High School SU

Get information from any of our grads, on our website or Facebook.



## Honours Awards Presentations





## Junior High Henna Designs



Mr. Proc brought in some treasures out of his dad's garage.  
The Junior High Boys had a blast with them!



Our Junior High Girls have mastered "The Cup Song"



# **TJSHS Community Challenge**

## **When:**

**March (because I missed putting this out for the February Newsletter...)**

## **Challenge:**

**“Master Chef Thorsby Edition”**

**Send us a picture of the most deliciously cooked meal. Baked, fried, BBQed, slow cooked, or whatever works.**

## **Who can enter?**

**Anyone in the Thorsby Community (students, parents, staff, community members, and even the elementary school)**

## **How to enter:**

**Send the picture to Mr. Feil at**

**[jonah.feil@gshare.blackgold.ca](mailto:jonah.feil@gshare.blackgold.ca)**



# TJSHS Community Challenge

## Past Challenge

**For our second challenge, we had everyone send in a picture of their best artwork. We had a number of entries from various people in the school and around the community, but the winner of this challenge is Kristina Wurban. Kristina deserves a big congratulations for her painting shown below!**







## Supported Self-File Tax Program

Learn to prepare and file your income taxes

**Have you ever wondered whether you could learn to prepare and file your own simple income tax return?** If you have thought about filing your own taxes but are worried that you might make a mistake, the Supported Self-File Tax Program is for you!

In order to participate in the program, all you need is access to the internet and a willingness to learn. Our volunteer coaches\* will assist you to collect all the necessary paperwork, help you create a **My CRA Account** (if you need one) and walk you through the online tax filing software step by step.

This **free virtual program** will assist you to gain the confidence and skills to prepare and file your 2020 income tax return.

### Upcoming virtual clinic dates:

- ▶ Saturday, March 20 at 11 a.m.
- ▶ Friday, March 26 at 1 p.m.
- ▶ Wednesday, March 31 at 9 a.m.
- ▶ Tuesday, April 6 at 7 p.m.

For more information or to sign up for a virtual clinic, contact **Eugena** at **780-955-6421** or **eugena@leduc-county.com**. Telephone-only support is also available.

If the above dates and times don't work for you, please call to find out about additional options.

*\*While our volunteer coaches have been thoroughly screened, you are not required or encouraged to share your personal or financial information with your coach. You will maintain control of your own information while learning how to use the tax filing software.*





## Volunteer Income Tax Program

Now completing 2020 income taxes

The **Community Volunteer Income Tax Program** is now completing 2020 income taxes free-of-charge for people with low to modest income and a simple tax situation. This can include seniors, students, social assistance recipients and newcomers to Canada. *The volunteer program does not complete returns for people who are deceased, bankrupt, or have business, farming or rental income. Assistance to complete past year tax returns is also available.*

In order to be eligible to receive the **Guaranteed Income Supplement, GST Tax Credit, Canada Child Benefit, Canada Workers Benefit or the Climate Action Incentive**, your 2020 tax return must be filed. Income taxes are due by April 30.

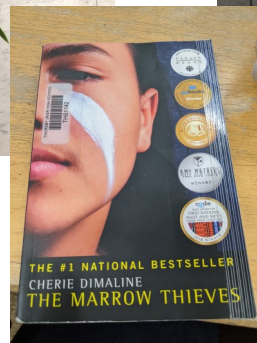
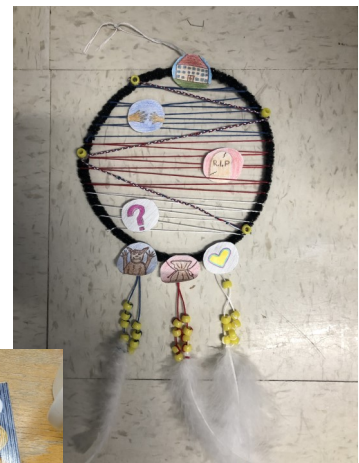
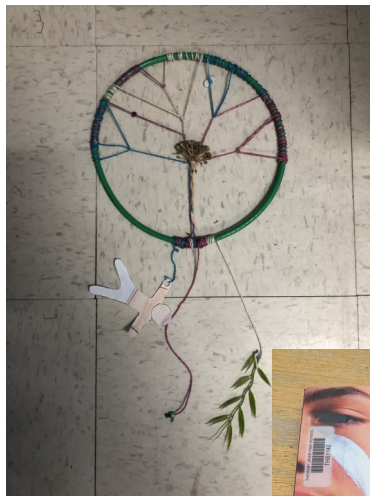
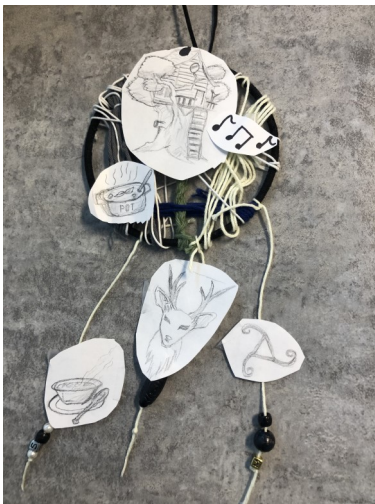
To find out if you are eligible for this program or to make an appointment, please contact your local Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) office:

- **Leduc County, New Sarepta and Thorsby: 780-770-9254**
- **Calmar: 780-985-3191 | Warburg: 780-848-2828 | City of Leduc: 780-980-7109**



## Grade 9 Dream Catchers

Our Grade 9 class just completed the novel The Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline. They created symbolic dreamcatchers. Check a few out here.







Sign out a Family Pass to the  
Leduc Recreation Centre at the office!

Come get it from  
the Library!



### How does the pass work?

- The LRC Family Pass is valid for 2 adults and all children living in the same household.
- Sign out your LRC Family Pass for FREE from the office.
- This pass will provide you and your family with access to all of the amenities at the LRC. Enjoy the Aquatic Centre, Field Houses, Arenas, Fitness Centre and Indoor Track.
- Passes are valid for a one week time period.
- After your one week rental, return the LRC Family Pass back to the office for other families to enjoy.



Due to COVID-19, LRC amenities must be booked in advance through the LiveLeduc App or by calling 780-980-7120.  
For more information, go to [leduc.ca/re-opening](https://leduc.ca/re-opening).



[@leduc recreation centre](https://leduc.ca/LRC)



## ACTIVE 8's & 9's

Enjoy your

**FREE  
MEMBERSHIP\***  
to the LRC and  
Alexandra Outdoor Pool.

October 1, 2020 – August 31, 2021

Applicable to 2020/2021 Grade 8 and Grade 9 students that live or go to school in the City of Leduc or Leduc County.

### *Let's get moving!*

Get the latest information about what is happening at the LRC, receive special offers and discounts and be in the know about contests and giveaways.

[leduc.ca/lrc](http://leduc.ca/lrc)   @educerecreationcentre

\*Applicable only to residents who pay municipal taxes to the City of Leduc and Leduc County.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### Who is eligible for the Active 8's and 9's membership?

Applicable to 2020/2021 Grade 8 and Grade 9 students that live or go to school in the City of Leduc or Leduc County. Applicable only to residents who pay municipal taxes to the City of Leduc and Leduc County.

### What schools are within the City of Leduc and Leduc County?

Black Gold Outreach	Father Leduc Catholic School
Caledonia Park	New Sarepta Community High
Calmar Secondary	Thorsby Junior/High
Christ the King	Warburg Hutterite Colony
Covenant Christian	Warburg School
Ecole Leduc Junior High	West Haven School

### How long is the membership valid for?

October 1 – August 31, 2021

### What is the cost for the Active 8's and 9's membership?

FREE for those Grade 8 and Grade 9 students that live or go to school in the City of Leduc or Leduc County.

### When can I register for the membership?

Starting September 1 you can visit Guest Services to register so you can get moving October 1.

### What facilities can you access with the membership?

The LRC and Alexandra Outdoor Pool.

*This opportunity is funded by the City of Leduc through tax support and Leduc County through the financial contribution, made by them on behalf of their residents, for recreational opportunities offered in Leduc via the Cost Sharing Agreement we have in place.*







## **RE/MAX** of Western Canada **QUEST FOR EXCELLENCE 2021**

### Who can participate?

Grade 12 students attending high school from September 2020 to June 2021.

Grade 12 students may not have participated in graduation commencement ceremonies in the past.

Applicants must be a resident of one of the following provinces/territories:

- British Columbia
- Alberta
- Saskatchewan
- Manitoba
- Yukon Territory
- Northwest Territory

### What is required?

Have you led a group of volunteers, raised funds for a worthwhile cause, helped special needs children or cared for seniors? Then we want to hear from you!

Submit your essay (max. 1,250 words) which conveys your motivation, leadership and communication skills in connection with your community efforts.

### Prizes?

- 16 winning essays will receive \$1,000 each! One of these recipient's will also receive a flight for two in the RE/MAX Hot Air Balloon\*
- Bursary winners will be notified in April 2021
- All winners will be posted on remax.ca

\*from the closest major city

## ATTENTION GRADE 12 STUDENTS!

You could win one of **sixteen \$1,000 bursaries** and a chance to win a **RE/MAX Hot Air Balloon ride for two!**

## OPENS

September 14, 2020

## DEADLINE

March 15, 2021

Winners will be notified in **April 2021** and posted on [remax.ca](http://remax.ca)!

## ENTER ONLINE

[www.remax.ca](http://www.remax.ca)

Go to: About RE/MAX > In The Community > Quest for Excellence

Note: All entries become the property of RE/MAX of Western Canada. Photos and names of winners may be used in print publications and media.



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Each RE/MAX office is independently owned and operated.

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## Customize Your Spirit Wear

**Get it delivered to you house !**

**Free Shipping on orders over \$75**

**ORDER YOUR  
SPIRIT WEAR  
ONLINE!**

**SHOP NOW**



Go to: [thorsbyjuniorseniorhighschool.entripyshops.com](http://thorsbyjuniorseniorhighschool.entripyshops.com)

Click on "+Register"

Fill out your information and click "Register"

Click on the item you want to buy to be brought to the customizing screen

On the customizing screen, choose your shirt colour, your design, and your size

Click on the different views underneath the product picture to get a look at the arms and back of the product

To add personalizations:

- a. click a view of either the arm or back of the product
- b. check off one of the check boxes depending on whether you want your name or number on the product
- c. type your name or number into the text box

If you want to add multiple items to your order, click the red box that says *Add Multiple Sizes* and fill out the quantity boxes.

Once you have your order put together, click the blue BUY button and follow the instructions on the next screen.

Feel free to contact Cheryl Raugust or Lorelei McLeod at the school, 780-789-3983



# March 2021

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	1	2	3 <i>Early Dismissal</i> <b>TWIN DAY</b>	4	5	6
7	8	9 <i>PTA Meeting</i>	10	11	12 <i>No School PD DAY</i>	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 <i>Meat Raffle Draw Date</i>	27
28	29	<div>Spring Break—March 27-April 5</div> <div>Classes resume Tuesday April 6</div>				

# April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Good Friday	3
4 	5 Easter Monday No Classes	6 Classes Resume	7 Early Dismissal  Growing Smiles fundraiser due	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23 Quarter 3 Ends	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 PD Day No School	

Parent Teacher Interviews 4:30-8:00 pm