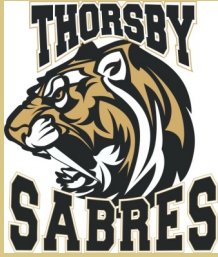


# Principal's Message



## TJSHS Newsletter

APRIL 2022



### From the desk of Mr. Dykstra

Happy April everyone! It is nice to see the snow melting and to get some warm sunny days. As I write this, there are just 56 school days left in this school year. It is amazing how fast the years seem to go. As it gets warmer, it can make it a bit harder to focus on schoolwork, but hopefully, with the end of the year in sight, we can work together to motivate the students to finish strong.

Along that train of thought, our grade 12s are gearing up to finish high school and move on to the next phase of life. Having a child in grade 12 myself, I know that this can be an overwhelming time for students. Figuring out what they want to do, post-secondary school applications, applying for jobs, and perhaps figuring out where they will live can be emotionally taxing. Trying to do this while finishing their current schoolwork can make it even more challenging. Please reach out to the school if we can help with this process in any way. We have staff members who are excellent at providing academic, career and post-secondary counselling.

Continuing with the theme of Graduation. TJSHS's Graduation will take place on May 27th, at 4:00 pm. We are planning an indoor ceremony at the Thorsby Recreation Complex. If you would like to come out to support our graduates, please set this day aside. This week our grade 12s held a lunch BBQ and bake sale with proceeds going to their graduation fundraising. The students did a great job, and we were so proud of how independent they were in pulling this event together. Also, it was great to start to see parents and other community members participate in events at the school again. I look forward to more events to increase parent and community involvement after these past couple of years when this wasn't possible. Here is a photo of our grade 12s running the BBQ.

I hope you are doing well. As always, please contact the school if you have any questions.





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**Check out the  
newly designed  
website!!**



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

Thorsby Student Union is also on Instagram and Snapchat.



Instagram: **tjshs\_insta** *BRAND NEW!*



Snapchat: **thorsbyschool**



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

## 2020-2021 Yearbook

The 20/21 yearbooks are here!! If you ordered one, come pick it up in the office. Still want one, there are copies available for **\$45**

2021/2022 preorders are also up on powerschool for **\$40**



# Senior High Advisor

## From the Off-Campus Office of Mrs. Van Steenis

The High School work experience and RAP work programs are up and going already this year. There are still a few spots available for students who are still hoping to sign up for these programs and earn high school credits. If you have questions about either program please email Mrs. van Steenis ([kim.vansteen@blackgold.ca](mailto:kim.vansteen@blackgold.ca))

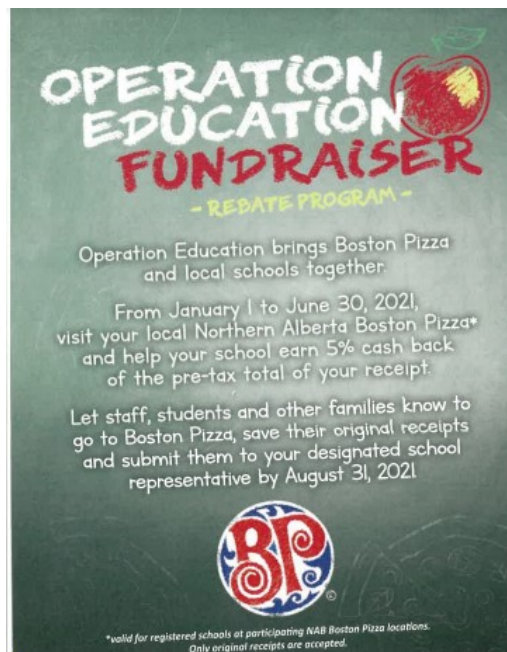
## Post Secondary Information for High School Students

Any students who are interested in discussing their high school programming in preparation for post-secondary, using MyBlueprint to explore post-secondary options, looking to apply for post-secondary schooling, or are interested in applying for scholarships please see schedule a meeting to see Mrs. van Steenis. ([kim.vansteen@blackgold.ca](mailto:kim.vansteen@blackgold.ca))

## Grad 2022 News

If you have any questions, please contact one of the Staff Grad Advisors. They are:

Kim van Steenis ([kim.vansteen@blackgold.ca](mailto:kim.vansteen@blackgold.ca)), Brilene Wohlgemuth ([brilene.wohlgemuth@blackgold.ca](mailto:brilene.wohlgemuth@blackgold.ca)) and Shelley Gramlich ([shelley.gramlich@blackgold.ca](mailto:shelley.gramlich@blackgold.ca))



Bring in your original  
Boston Pizza receipts!

# Around the School Updates

## Student Union News

1. Spring Plant Fundraiser forms & money are due on April 19; pick up is May 5th. Thank you to all the kids who sold plants and thank you to everyone who purchased plants.

2. Our April 6th theme day was "Tartan/Plaid." We had lots of participation. Winners are as follows:

1st: Staff

2nd: 7's

3rd: 12's

Tied for 4th: 8's and 9's

6th: 10's

\*Stayed tuned for the May theme!



## Yoga



## Breakfast Program

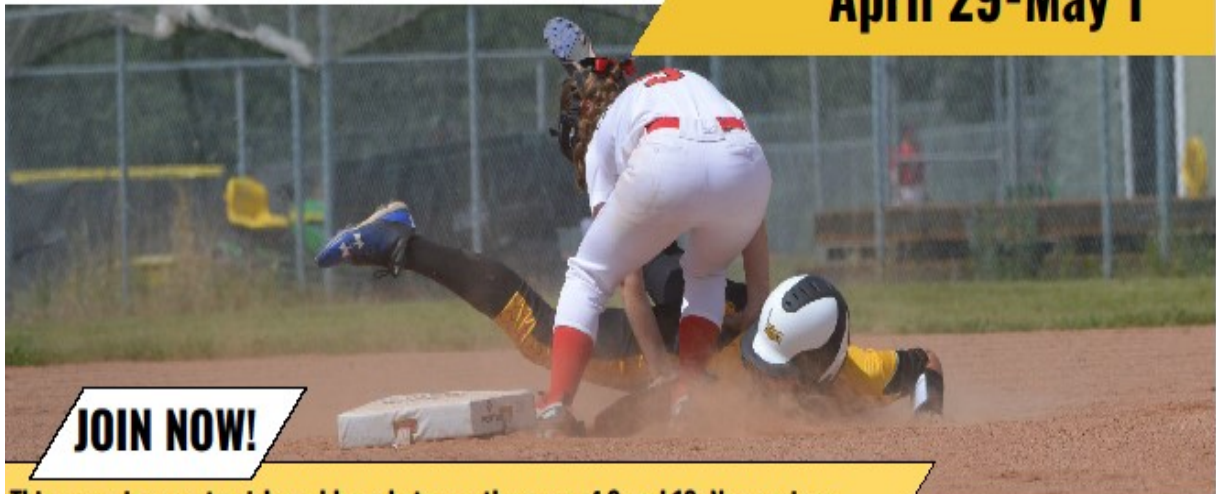
The Breakfast Program is offered daily to our students. Students are able to get fruit, yogurt, granola bars and water. **We can now offer toast!!** We are lucky to have families that are able to give donations. Thank you once again to **Cedar Williams** for her family's donation to the program. Our students appreciate it immensely.





## THE RIMBEY CLINIC IS BACK!

**Rimbey, Alberta  
April 29-May 1**



**JOIN NOW!**

This camp is open to girls and boys between the ages of 8 and 18. No previous experience required. Please click the link below for registration and payment details

<https://forms.gle/478iM5Wu31YjibNW7>

### **Friday, April 29th:**

#### **Pitching and catching**

@ Rimbey Arena

- Groups will be comprised of similar ages/abilities
- \$20 per athlete
- Pitchers will need to supply their own catcher
- 6:30-7:45 or 7:45-9

### **Saturday and Sunday, April 30th - May 1st:**

@Rimbey Arena

- \$60/day or \$100 for both days
- 10am-4pm with a lunch break

Bring your own lunch or  
purchase hot dog / chips /  
drink for \$5

Friday night, we will also be  
hosting two coach/parent  
information seminars at the same  
times as pitching and catching.  
There will be no charge.

Questions can be directed to Brady Terpsma at:

✉ [bterpsma@hotmail.com](mailto:bterpsma@hotmail.com)

☎ (780)-217-0845

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**REDS FLASHING...  
NO PASSING!**

**IT IS ILLEGAL TO PASS A  
SCHOOL BUS WHEN THE  
RED LIGHTS ARE FLASHING.**

**\$567 Fine +  
6 Demerit Points!**

**School bus safety...  
It's everyone's responsibility!**

  
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STUDENT TRAFFIC AND AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION  
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**As Motorists, you must drive with extra care when approaching a school bus from either direction.**

**Activated overhead RED lights mean only one thing, "this bus is loading or unloading children!"**

**When a school bus is stopped and the RED lights have been activated, traffic from both directions must come to a complete stop and remain stopped until the red lights have been deactivated.**

**Passing the bus when children are loading or unloading is dangerous, illegal and could be deadly.**

**As Parents, please remind your children to be extra careful when getting on and off the bus. Teach them to always obey the driver's directions and watch for traffic approaching the bus from either direction before crossing the road.**

**[www.staa.ab.ca](http://www.staa.ab.ca)**

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# Shop Projects





# Around the School


## Congratulations!!





Congratulations to the Warburg/Thorsby Mustangs!! They won the 2023 Tier 4 U18 Provincial Champions in Slave Lake over the Spring Break! A number of our students in grade 10 and 11 are on this team.

## March Athlete of the Month

Athlete of the Month  
**MARCH**



**Kennedy Crow**



# Around the School

## Grad BBQ

The Grads held a very successful BBQ on Friday, April 8. They were kept very busy serving hotdogs and burgers that were flying off the grill! They also had a Bake Sale which sold out quite quickly! Thanks to everyone who purchased hot dogs, burgers and baked goods.



# TJSHS

## Customize Your Spirit Wear

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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



## BLACK GOLD SCHOOL DIVISION 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

Monthly Calendar							Teacher Days	Student Days	Dates & Details	
AUGUST 2021	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	4	1	August 26 & 27 - Teacher Workdays (No Students) August 30 or 31 - Staggered Entry for Grades 1 - 12 Students
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
SEPTEMBER 2021	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	21	20	September 1 - School Commences for ALL Grades 1 - 12 Students September 6 - Labour Day (Schools Closed) September 17 - PD Day: School-Based (No Students): (Morning) Welcome Back & LSA Ceremony (To follow) PD Day: School-Based
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
OCTOBER 2021	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	20	19	October 6 - Early Dismissal October 11 - Thanksgiving Day (Schools Closed) October 12 - PD Day: School-Based & Support Staff (No Students) Diploma Exam
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
NOVEMBER 2021	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	17	17	November 3 - Early Dismissal November 8 - 12 - Midterm Break (Schools Closed) November 11 - Remembrance Day (Schools Closed) Diploma Exam
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
DECEMBER 2021	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	13	12	December 1 - Early Dismissal December 3 - PD Day: Combined (No Students) December 20 - 31 - Christmas Vacation (Schools Closed)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
JANUARY 2022	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	21	20	January 3 - School Resumes January 5 - Early Dismissal January 31 - PD Day: ATA (No Students) Diploma Exam & PAT Administrative Window Diploma Exam Provincial Achievement Tests (PAT)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
FEBRUARY 2022	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	19	17	Semester 1: August 26, 2021 - January 31, 2022 Semester 2: Commences February 1, 2022 February 1 - Semester 2 Commences February 2 - Early Dismissal February 10 & 11 - ATA Teachers' Convention (No Students) February 21 - Family Day (Schools Closed)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
MARCH 2022	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	19	18	March 2 - Early Dismissal March 11 - PD Day: Combined (No Students) March 28 - 31 - Spring Break (Schools Closed) Diploma Exam
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
APRIL 2022	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	18	17	April 1 - Spring Break (Schools Closed) & Diploma Exam April 4 - School Resumes & Diploma Exam April 6 - Early Dismissal April 15 - Good Friday (Schools Closed) April 18 - Easter Monday/Midterm Break (Schools Closed) April 29 - PD Day: Combined (No Students) Diploma Exam
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
MAY 2022	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	21	19	May 4 - Early Dismissal May 19 - PD Day: School-Based (No Students) May 20 - PD Day: ATA (No Students) May 23 - Victoria Day (Schools Closed) Provincial Achievement Tests (PAT)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
JUNE 2022	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	22	20	June 1 - Early Dismissal June 21 - National Indigenous Peoples Day (Regular Classes Scheduled) June 28 - Last School Day with Diploma Exam June 29 & 30 - Teacher Workdays (No Students) Diploma Exam & PAT Administrative Window Diploma Exam
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
Semester 2: February 1 - June 30, 2022								99	91	
TOTAL - Operational Days-Teachers / Instructional Days-Students							195	180	Aug-Dec/21: 75-T & 69-S; Jan-June/22: 120-T & 111-S	

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# April 2022

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

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3	4 Back to School	5	6 <i>Early Dismissal</i>	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 <i>Badminton Tournament</i>	14 <i>Grad BBQ/ Popcorn sale</i>	15 <i>Good Friday No School</i>	16
17 	18 <i>Easter Monday No School</i>	19	20 <i>Badminton Tournament</i>	21	22 <i>Grad BBQ/ Bake Sale</i>	23
24	25	26	27	28 <i>Grad BBQ/ Popcorn Sale</i>	29 PD Day No School	30

# May 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Early Dismissal	5	6	7
8 	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 PD Day No School	20 PD Day No School	21
22	23 Victoria Day No School	24	25	26	27 Grad!! 	28
29	30	31				



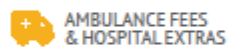


## Accident insurance for the unexpected



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24-hour, year-round coverage	✓	✓	✓
Unlimited accidental dental	10 years	10 years	10 years
Eyeglasses or contact lenses needed due to injury	Full cost	Full cost	Full cost
Paramedical	\$500	\$500	\$800
Emergency Transportation	Full cost of ambulance fees or \$350 taxi in lieu of ambulance	Full cost of ambulance fees or \$350 taxi in lieu of ambulance	Full cost of ambulance fees or \$350 taxi in lieu of ambulance
Total & permanent disability	\$75,000	\$150,000	\$350,000
Critical Illness	\$9,000 nursing expenses + \$3,000 accommodations	\$9,000 nursing expenses + \$3,000 accommodations	\$12,500 nursing expenses + \$3,000 accommodations
Loss of limb/loss of use	\$75,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
Accidental death benefit	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$30,000
Hospital room expenses	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
Medical appliances and expenses	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Fracture/dislocation benefit	Up to \$750	Up to \$750	Up to \$1,000
Out-of-province/country emergency medical	n/a	n/a	\$200,000
Trip cancellation and emergency return flight	N/A	N/A	\$1,000 each
<b>ADDITIONAL:</b> Hospital cash benefit	\$100/day	\$100/day	\$100/day

### Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for this insurance, your child must reside in Canada and be more than 6 months old and less than 27 years old.

Children 14 years of age and older must be full-time students in the 12 months prior to a claim, at any time during coverage. A full-time student is defined as one who is enrolled in a minimum of three courses at the same time during any four-month period.

Please note that this is only a summary of benefits. The full policy wording is the legal binding agreement.