



# New Myrnam School and Myrnam Outreach & Homeschool Centre



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## Upcoming Events

### May

1 - Principal Appreciation Day  
5 - National Day to Support  
MMIW & Girls  
5 - Bus Driver Appreciation  
Day  
5 - Mental Health Week  
6 - Grade 10 Orientation 7:00  
p.m.  
8 - Support staff appreciation  
day  
8 - Kinder Grad Photos by  
Lifetouch  
8 - Hats on for Mental Health  
14 - PARTY Program in Two  
Hills  
14 - RCMP Road Race  
15 - PLC Day  
16 - Schools Closed  
19 - Victoria Day  
24 - Graduation Ceremony  
29 - K/1/2 Swimming Lessons  
@ 10:30 a.m.  
29 - Himmelfahrt (Ascension  
Day)  
30 - 3/4/5/6 Swimming  
Lessons @ 10:30 a.m.  
31 - June 6 - Canada-Wide  
Science Fair in Fredericton, NB

### June

2, 4, 6, 11, 13 - K/1/2 Swimming  
Lessons @ 10:30 a.m.  
3, 5, 10, 12, 16 - 3/4/5/6  
Swimming Lessons @ 10:30 a.m.  
8-10 - Pfingsten (Pentecost)  
9 - PLC Day (No School)  
10, 11, 12 - Grade 10 Outdoor  
Education  
13 - Last day of NMS classes for  
grades 7-12  
16 - Colour Night  
19 - Gr. 5-6 Track Meet in St.  
Paul  
20 - Elementary Athletics Day  
21 - National Indigenous  
Peoples' Day  
24 - Elementary Track and Field  
Day  
25 - Family picnic @12:00,  
Elementary Awards Ceremony  
@ 1:30, Last Day of Classes for  
Students, Report Cards go  
Home.  
26 - PLC Day (No School)

**Exam Schedule Included  
Inside**

## May



Stay up to date  
with information:

Website:

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



Facebook:

New Myrnam School SPERD



Instagram:

[newmyrnam](https://www.instagram.com/newmyrnam)



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

May. How can it be so close to the end of the year already? Our students are going to be writing PATs, diploma exams, final exams and working on final projects for their courses soon. Field trips, track and field events, and elementary awards are right around the corner. There are a lot of important items coming up. Please stay tuned to our school's Facebook page including the Week a Glance and our website blogs for event dates.

May 6 the school will be hosting a grade 10 orientation night at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be in person but a virtual option is available and has been sent to students. On the school website you will find a link to our grade 10 handbook under the "Welcome to Grade 10" in the Students section. This document is meant to be paired with discussion that evening and not be a stand alone document. Please come to the night either in person or virtually with your child.

Grade 9's are headed to participate in the annual PARTY program in Two Hills on May 14. The bus will leave at 8:35 a.m. and return before buses leave in the afternoon.

The Horticulture Greenhouse Sale is Friday, May 13 and 14 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Come out and support our kiddos as they work towards their Greenhouse Technician Green Certificate.

May 24 is the date of the 2024 graduation ceremony. We are so proud of our NMS graduates. They are a hard working group of students ready to take on the world! The ceremony is at 2:00 p.m. and is open to the public.

Summer school registration will open soon. Summer school could be used to upgrade a mark or take courses for additional credit towards a high school diploma. A course students from grade 10-12 might be interested in is the Google Productivity Pro course. It is worth 6 credits and upon the successful completion of the course by the end of July, students will earn a free Chromebook! Contact the school office for registration forms or more information.

Through all of these busy events, it is important to remember to take care of our physical and mental selves. May 5 – 9 is mental health awareness week. This is an opportunity for us to think about how we are taking care of our bodies and our minds day to day. As a part of St. Paul Division's Comprehensive School Health Plan, a survey will be given to all students from grade 3-12 and staff. This survey is completely anonymous. Notice will be sent to families to explain the purpose of the survey. Please check your email.



WELCOME TO OUR TEAM



*Mr. Tim Yakiwchuk*

Starting in August, Mr. Yakiwchuk will be joining New Myrnam/MOHC as our new Assistant Principal! We look forward to getting to know you!

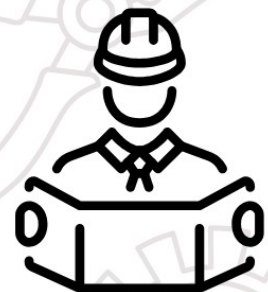
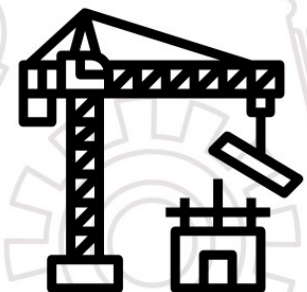
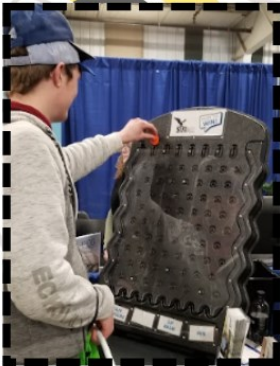
# Spring Showcase




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# Try a Trade

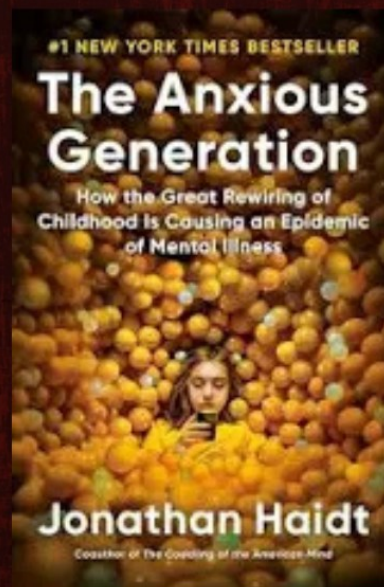




# THE ANXIOUS GENERATION

## PARENT BOOK CLUB

## JUNE & JULY



**EMAIL MRS. ERIKSEN AT  
ERIKDANI@SPERD.CA IF YOU  
ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING.**

# SEMESTER 2 DIPLOMA EXAM SCHEDULE

**June 11**

ELA 30 Part A

**June 12**

Social 30 Part A

**June 17**

Math 30

**June 18**

ELA 30 Part B

**June 19**

Social 30 Part B

**June 20**

Biology 30

**June 24**

Physics 30

**June 25**

Science 30

# SEMESTER 2 PAT EXAM SCHEDULE

**May 28**

ELA 6 Part A

**May 29**

ELA 9 Part A

**June 12**

ELA 6 Part B

**June 13**

Math 6 Part A, Math 9 Part A

**June 17**

Math 6 Part B, Math 9 Part B

**June 19**

Science 9





New Myrnam School  
**GREENHOUSE**



**SALE**

01

When is it?

May 13 & 14  
4-6 pm

- Petunia Baskets
- Succulent Baskets
- Vegetables

02

What are we  
selling?

03

Where at?

The school greenhouse!

We hope to see you there!!

# Announcements



## Career Counselor Dates

**May – 2, 9, 23, 30**

**The Concession will not have hot lunch items as of June 1st**

**St. Paul Education is pleased to offer Summer School from July 2–29, 2025. For more information, please scan the QR code below.**



# Registration for 2025/2026

## Re-enrollment for Current Students

2025-26 re-enrollment forms are now available through the Powerschool Parent Portal. Printable forms can be picked up at each of the schools upon request.

### How Do I Access the Re-enrollment Forms?

- Go to [powerschool.sperd.ca/public](https://powerschool.sperd.ca/public) and log in. Note: The registration process is not available via Powerschool phone app. We recommend using a computer (desktop or laptop) to complete forms in School Engage. Forms can also be completed on a tablet, and we do not recommend using a smartphone to complete forms.
- Detailed instructions on how to access the re-enrollment forms are available [here](#).
- If you have forgotten your login information please contact the school or email [thomdeni@sperd.ca](mailto:thomdeni@sperd.ca).
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Fill in only 1 registration per child.

- Note: The registration package has been separated into two sections. Parents will first complete the “2025/26 Re-enrollment Form” that has been assigned to their student. Upon submission of this form, the “2025/26 School Forms” will be assigned to the student. Please ensure both forms are submitted.

## **Registration for Current Students is Now Open for the 2025–26 School Year!**

All current students must be registered to attend school in the 2025–26 school year. Re-enrollment forms are available through the PowerSchool Parent Portal.

To complete your child's registration:

1. Log in to your [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) account
2. Click on the SchoolEngage icon in the left-hand menu
3. Complete the forms assigned to you for the 2025–26 school year

## **New Student Registration**

St. Paul Education is pleased to welcome new students for the 2025–26 school year!

Registration is now open, and we encourage families to explore the many opportunities available in our schools.

To register a new student—or a child entering Kindergarten—for the current or upcoming school year, please contact the school directly.

## **School Bus Registration for 2025–26 Is Now Open!**

St. Paul Education has made several changes to transportation eligibility and fees for the 2025–26 school year.

Learn more: <https://bit.ly/4lZBEom>

Families are encouraged to register by June 30 to help ensure route planning is completed in time and to access early registration rates.



# Links Page



## **School Cash Online**

<https://sperd.schoolcashonline.com/>

## **Our Project Videos/Articles**

<https://www.newmyrnamschool.ca/project-s-videos>

## **Power School**

<https://powerschool.sperd.ca/public/home.html>

## **New Myrnam School Facebook Page**

<https://www.facebook.com/newmyrnamschoolsperd?fref=nf>



Welcome to Lunchbox!

We are pleased to share that Lunchbox will be offered at your school for this upcoming year. Your ordering calendar is open and will include the following options:

Delivery Day Featured Restaurants

Tuesday Boston Pizza

- The ordering deadline for the first scheduled lunch delivery is: **Sunday, January 12, 2025 at 12:00 PM**

- Orders may be placed weekly or in advance for any number of days within the school year.

How to Order

1. Login to your SchoolCash Online account using your existing credentials. If you don't currently have an account, contact the School to set one up.
2. Go to the Items Page in your child's SchoolCash Online account, scroll to the Lunchbox banner, and click 'Order Now'.
3. Confirm your phone number and student allergy information then click 'Update'.
4. Press the 'Order Now' button beside your child's name.
5. Place your child's lunch order(s) on your school's ordering calendar by clicking the blue date for the scheduled vendors.

The following credit cards are accepted: Visa, MasterCard, Discover, Debit MasterCard, or Visa Debit.

Visa and MasterCard prepaid cards are also accepted.

Reminders

- The weekly deadline to place lunch orders for the upcoming week is Sunday at 12:00PM; we are unable to accept any orders after this deadline.
- If you need to make any updates or changes to your lunch orders, please do so before Sunday at 12:00PM for the upcoming week.
- For any order cancellations, please notify us 2 days prior to the delivery date. If this is not possible, please contact your school to make alternate arrangements for the meal.
- If there is a school closure, lunches will be cancelled, and a credit will be issued to your Lunchbox account within 3 business days.
- We have updated our Refunds and Credits Policy; please review the updated terms at <https://identity.schoolcashonline.com/Account/Terms>.



Current Vendors:

Boston Pizza - Every Tuesday

CJ's Café - To Be Continuing into 2025



Boston Pizza Menu (Tuesdays)	
Cheese Quesadilla	\$6.85
Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla	\$8.06
Veggies with Ranch	\$5.58
Garden Salad with Ranch	\$6.21
Pint Sized 6" Pepperoni Pizza	\$6.85
Pint Sized 6" Cheese Pizza	\$6.85
Pint Sized 6" Halal Chicken Pizza	\$6.85
Personal 8" Cheese Pizza	\$8.75
Personal 8" Pepperoni Pizza	\$8.75
Orange Juice Box	\$2.92
Apple Juice Box	\$2.92
Baked Chicken Fingers with Carrot Sticks	\$6.85
Chicken Ceasar Salad (No Bacon)	\$6.85
Halal Chicken Fingers	\$6.85
Bugs N Cheese Pasta	\$6.85
Penne with Parmesan & Butter	\$6.85
Penne Bolognese	\$6.85
Penne Marinara	\$6.85
Gluten-Wise Cheese Pizza	\$8.75

CJ's Café:

We will be continuing the CJ's I Hot Lunch orders in 2025!

\*\*CJ's will be offered on a different day of the week.

Stay tuned for Menu and Pricing!

# St. Paul Education Introduces SafeArrival

Launching Tuesday, September 3, 2024

## HOW SICK IS TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?

SafeArrival is an absence reporting system. Beginning, Tuesday, September 3, families can report an absence in three different ways that is most convenient for you using SafeArrival. Visit [stpauleducation.ab.ca/parents/safe-arrival](http://stpauleducation.ab.ca/parents/safe-arrival) for complete information.

### SchoolMessenger App (Free)

Using your mobile device, download and install the "SM Home" app (NOT 'SchoolMessenger' app) from the Apple or Google Play Stores: [home.schoolmessenger.ca/](http://home.schoolmessenger.ca/). Sign in to create an account using your email address we have on file at your child's school. Select attendance. For more information on the SchoolMessenger app, visit [stpauleducation.ab.ca/parents/safe-arrival](http://stpauleducation.ab.ca/parents/safe-arrival).

### Online

Go to [home.schoolmessenger.ca](http://home.schoolmessenger.ca). Sign in or create an account using your email address that we have on file at your child's school and report your absence. Contact your school if you need to update your email address.

### By Phone

Call the toll-free number 1-844-502-5088 to report an absence using the automated phone system and follow the prompts.

*If your student is marked absent and the absence hasn't been explained in advance, our new SafeArrival system will be able to rapidly contact you by automated phone call, text message, email, or mobile app push notification to ensure your child's safety.*



### SEND TO SCHOOL

- A runny nose or just a little cough but no other symptoms.
- Sore throat but no other symptoms.
- No fever in the past 24 hours without fever-reducing medicine.
- No vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours.



### KEEP AT HOME

- Fever higher than 100.4 degrees F (38 degrees C).
- Sore throat, with other symptoms such as a persistent cough.
- Vomiting or diarrhea in the past 24 hours.
- Eyes are pink and crusty.
- Has been exposed to an illness where isolation is recommended.



Visit [stpauleducation.ab.ca/parents/safe-arrival](http://stpauleducation.ab.ca/parents/safe-arrival) or scan the QR code.



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## SchoolMessenger Mass Notifications System Information for Parents



### What is SchoolMessenger?

SchoolMessenger is a mass notification system used to deliver information to families. These mass notifications are referred to as 'Broadcasts' due to SchoolMessenger's capability to simultaneously send messages to a vast number of destinations. Available broadcast destinations include phone, email, and SMS text.

Message recipients' contact data for parents comes from the PowerSchool Student Information System (SIS) database. This data is updated every evening so that any changes to phone numbers, emails and contact preferences will be current on every broadcast.

During phase one of implementation, the Division will begin using SchoolMessenger to communicate information to parents and guardians about safety alerts and school closures. Schools may also use this tool to share newsletters and information about special events and activities. Phase two, which includes activating the attendance reporting feature 'Safe Arrival', is expected to begin in early 2024.

### Phone Messages

- Phone calls will be reserved for emergencies such as safety alerts or early dismissal due to inclement weather.
- Phone calls will be sent as an automated message (computerized or human voice) and will come from the school phone number.
- In addition to a phone call, text and email messages will also be sent in emergency situations.



### Text Messages

- In addition to being used for emergencies, your school may also use text messages to communicate important information regarding sports and other after-school activities, field trip delays, etc.
- Under federal law originally designed to protect consumers from telemarketers, we have to get your permission to send messages to a mobile phone by SMS text. It is also just a good idea so that we're sure that message is going to the right phone number for the right person. Therefore, to receive texts you will need to opt-in.
- On **October 18, 2023** an opt-in invitation text to participate in this free service\* will be sent to mobile phone numbers of all primary contacts uploaded from our Student Information System (SIS). Recipients have to reply "Y" or "Yes" to the invitation text message to 'opt-in'.



- If you did not receive the invitation text message or want to ensure you are registered, you can simply send a text message as follows:

**To Opt-In: Text 'Y' or 'Yes' to our short code number (978338)**

*\*Standard Message and Data rates apply*

- You can also opt out of these messages any time by simply replying to one of our messages with 'Stop'.

### Email Messages

- School newsletters and information about fundraising, hot lunch programs and other school activities will be shared via email.



### Additional Information

- Existing school-to-home communication tools currently used by classroom teachers (e.g. Seesaw, ClassDojo) may still be utilized.

- Schools will have flexibility in how they use SchoolMessenger. Stay tuned to your schools website and social media to learn more about how this new tool will be used at your child's school.

- All messages can also be viewed on the SchoolMessenger app. Parents are not required to download the app at this time, however, the Division will be asking all families to download the app when we move forward with the SchoolMessenger attendance reporting feature 'Safe Arrival'.

- Parents have the option to request that additional contacts, such as a child care provider, receive text and email messages from their child's school. Please call the school to make this request or if you have any questions about SchoolMessenger.



# EXTREME WEATHER

## Is my child's bus running? Coming home early?

Throughout the winter, weather and road conditions are constantly monitored with the safety of students and staff at the center of all of our decisions. We strive to inform parents of any delays or cancellations as quickly as possible. Here's how you may be notified:

- Bus driver contact
- Call/text from your school
- Local radio stations
- Bus Status app

- Division social media (Facebook and Instagram)
- Division website  
<https://www.stpauleducation.ab.ca/transportation/bus-status>



### How we decide:

When temperatures and/or wind chill is -40 or colder, buses are CANCELLED. Notice may be given the night before or in the morning.

Weather checks start very early with The Weather Network and phone calls to designated staff living in each local area.

Buses may run in the afternoon during extreme cold weather under certain circumstances.



If a decision is required around temperature and/or road conditions, the Director of Transportation consults with:

- Local bus drivers
- School principals
- Superintendent of Schools

Even if buses are cancelled schools remain **OPEN**.

- If your child attends: meaningful learning still occurs
- If your child is absent: efforts will be made to ensure they do not fall behind

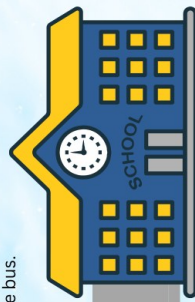


Decision is based on:

- Local road conditions
- RCMP travel advisories
- Weather and wind warnings
- Local municipality

Your bus driver also has complete discretion to cancel a route should they feel travel is unsafe.

Parents always have the final say about their child's safety and well-being and can always choose whether or not to have their child take the bus.



*The Nations of Saddle Lake, Whitefish Lake and Frog Lake make independent decisions about their buses. Please contact them directly for any questions regarding their transportation policies.*



## BUS STATUS

A product of



St. Paul Education is pleased to offer a new bus notification system commencing in the 2023-24 school year!

**Download the Bus Status 4 App and choose your preferences to stay updated.**



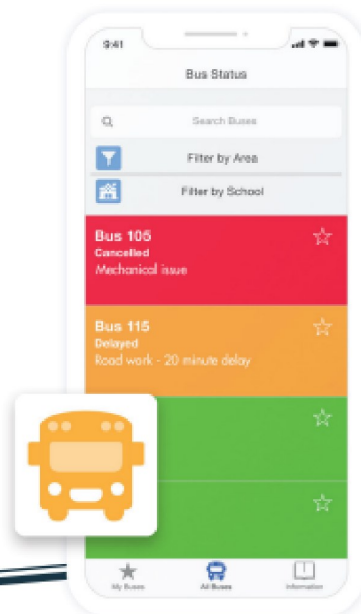
ios (Apple)



Android

Access the full instructional document at <https://bit.ly/47AAkqj>.

**Please note that the Bus Status App is replacing the Alertus App used in the past.**



St. Paul Education Learning Calendar 2025-2026

August 2025

M	T	W	T	F
			1	2
			7	8
4	5	6		
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

September 2025

M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

October 2025

M	T	W	T	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

November 2025

M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

December 2025

M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

January 2026

M	T	W	T	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

February 2026

M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27

March 2026

M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

April 2026

M	T	W	T	F
	1	2	3	
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

May 2026

M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

June 2026

M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

LEGEND

First/last day of classes
Instructional Day
PLC Day
Schools Closed
Early Dismissal (2 pm)
Catholic Formation



Approved School Holidays

Labour Day	Sept 1	Family Day	Feb 16
Thanksgiving Day	Oct 13	Spring Break	Mar 30-Apr 2
Remembrance Day	Nov 11	Good Friday	April 3
Christmas Vacation	Dec 22-Jan 2	Easter Monday	April 6
		Victoria Day	May 18

St. Paul Education

Calendar Approved: February 12, 2025

Important Dates		PLC Days	
August 27-29	September 1	Labour Day	First day of school
September 2	September 19	Division PLC Day	Truth & Reconciliation Day
September 30	October 9	Catholic Education Formation (SPECS, Racette, Mallaig only)	PLC Day
October 10	October 13	Thanksgiving	Schools closed
November 7	November 10	Schools closed	Remembrance Day
November 11	November 28	PLC Day	Early Dismissal
December 19	Dec 22 – Jan 2	Christmas Break	PLC Day
January 28	January 29	First day of second semester	Early Dismissal
February 11	February 12-13	Teachers' Convention	Family Day
February 16	March 9	PLC Day	Spring Break/Good Friday
March 30 – Apr 3	April 6	Easter Monday	PLC Day
April 24	May 14	Schools closed	Victoria Day
May 15	May 18	PLC Day	National Indigenous People's Day
June 5	June 21	People's Day	Last day of classes
June 23	June 24	PLC Day	

Days of School Operation					
	Public Schools		Catholic Schools		
	Instructional	Staff Only	Instructional	Instructional	Staff Only
August	0	3	0	0	3
September	20	1	20	20	1
October	21	1	20	20	2
November	16	1	16	16	1
December	15	0	15	15	0
January	17	1	17	17	1
Semester 1	89	7	88	88	8
January	2	0	2	2	0
February	17	2	17	17	2
March	19	1	19	19	1
April	17	1	17	17	1
May	18	1	18	18	1
June	16	2	16	16	2
Semester 2	89	7	89	89	7
Total Instructional Days	178		Public Schools		Catholic Schools
Total Non-Instructional Day	14				177
Total Operational Days	192				15
					192
First Day of Classes: September 2					
First Day of Second Semester: January 29					
Last Day of Classes: June 23					
Instructional Hours - Public Schools					
	Days	Min./Day	Hr./Year		
Elem./Jr High	178	320	950		
High School	178	337	1000		
Instructional Hours - Catholic Schools (SPECS, Racette, Mallaig)					
	Days	Min./Day	Hr./Year		
Elem./Jr High	177	322	950		
High School	177	339	1000		

Professional Learning Community - PLC days provide opportunities for staff to work together on topics such as: school opening and closing, professional learning, sharing best practices, assessment, and supports for students.

Catholic Education Formation (CEF) - October 9, 2025

Diploma Exam Schedule 2025-26: October 27 - 30, November 3-7, January 12-15, 19-23, 26 & 27 April 7-10, 13-17, June 8-12, 15-19, 22-23

Provincial Achievement Test Schedule 2025-26: January 15, 19-23, 26 & 27, May 19-22, June 3 & 4, 8-12, 15-19, 22 & 23

# MAY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1  Day 4	2  Day 5 (K Day)
5  Day 6	6  Day 1 (K Day)	7  Day 2	8  Day 3 (K Day)	9  Day 4
12  Day 5 (K Day)	13  Day 6	14  Day 1	15  PLC Day (No School)	16  No School
19  Victoria Day (No School)	20  Day 2	21  Day 3 (K Day)	22  Day 4	23  Day 5 (K Day)
26  Day 6	27  Day 1 (K Day)	28  Day 2	29  Day 3 (K Day)	30  Day 4

# JUNE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2  Day 5 (K Day)	3  Day 6	4  Day 1 (K Day)	5  Day 2	6  Day 3 (K Day)
9  PLC Day (No School)	10  Day 4	11  Day 5 (K Day)	12  Day 6	13  Day 1 (K Day)
16  Day 2	17  Day 3 (K Day)	18  Day 4	19  Day 5 (K Day)	20  Day 6
23  Day 1 (K Day)	24  Day 2	25  Last Day of School!  Day 3 (K Day)	26  Report Cards go Home	27
30				