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Principal's Message, Mr. Cody Baird: Monday, January 13th, 2025



Wishing each of you a very Happy New Year and welcome back after the break!

SANTA'S ANONYMOUS: The 2024 Santa's Anonymous Program was very successful again this year, serving over 75 families and many additional local community members with food and gifts for little ones this Christmas Season. As the program takes months of planning, we are continuously grateful for the support of the Ponoka Community, as we hosted several large fundraising campaigns throughout the season.

PARENT COUNCIL MEETING: NEXT MEETING IS TONIGHT - Monday, January 13th, 2025 at 6:30 pm. All parents / guardians are invited to attend the meeting which will be held in the conference room.



Ribbon Skirt Day: On January 16th, girls are encouraged to wear Ribbon Skirts and boys are encouraged to wear Ribbon Shirts.



STUDENT OF THE MONTH - DECEMBER 2024:

Congratulations to the following PSC students on being selected for our DECEMBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH program!

- Kahrington Marcoux
- Tony Louis
- Cache Mathieu
- Nash Dubitz
- Parker Adcock
- Bailey Krause
- Maleah Wiancko
- Paige Issac
- Sam Seibel
- Braden Prediger
- Zachary Dux
- Kian McLean
- Colby Letkemen
- Austin Topham
- Jasey Ten Hove
- Hudson Hummel
- Gillian Berg
- Charlotte Riley



Also, a BIG THANK YOU to our amazing local sponsor, **Boston Pizza - Ponoka**, for donating a free individual pizza and a pop to each of our deserving recipients.

JANUARY 2025 EXAM SCHEDULE: Our PSC Exam schedule is included below. Please note the following items of interest.

**January 23rd - Last day of High school classes

** January 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, & 31st - No regular classes for students in Grades 10-12. - Regular Classes for students in grades 7-9

**February 3rd - First day of Semester Two

January 2025 Exam Schedule				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
13	14 ENG 30-1 ENG 30-2 PART A B110 9am-12pm	15 Social 30-1 Social 30-2 PART A B110 & B111 9am-12pm	16	17 Math 30-1 Mah 30-2 Math 30-3 B111 9am-12pm
20 Eng 10-1/20-1 Eng 10-2/20-2 Part A in class Eng 30-1 Eng 30-2 PART B DIP B110 / B111 9am-12pm	21 Eng 10-1 & 10-2 Continued Part A 9am-11:30am Social 30-1 Social 30-2 Part B DIP B110 & B111 9am-12am	22 Soc 10-1 Soc 10-2 Part A in class Bio 30 B111 9am-12pm	23 Soc 20-1/20-2/20-4 Part A in class Chem 30 DIP B110 9am-12:00am	24 NO CLASSES English 10-1 English 10-2 Part B DIP Activity Center AM
27 NO CLASSES Math 10C Prep Math 20-1 Math 20-2 Activity Center AM Science 30 DIP B111 AM	28 NO CLASSES English 20-1 English 20-2 Part B Activity Center AM	29 NO CLASSES Social 10-1 Social 10-2 - Part B Activity Center AM Social 20-1 Part B B110 AM Social 20-2 Part B B111 AM	30 NO CLASSES SCI 10 Activity Center AM Physics 20 B111 AM ----- Make up exams or conflicts Activity Center PM	31 PD Day
3- February Semester 2 Starts				

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PSC TRAVEL CLUB FUNDRAISER:

We are
**Fundraising
with Crumbl!**

Ponoka Secondary Campus has partnered with Edmonton Crumbl to fundraise for Broncs International Travel Club. When you purchase item below, a percentage of your purchase goes toward Broncs International Travel Club.

**6-Pack Valentine Day
Edition Cookies: \$30**
Cookies included: Milk Chocolate Chip, Valentine Original ft(M&M), Molten Lava, Valentine's Confetti Lemon Glaze, Classic Pink Sugar

Orders must be placed before January 31st. 6-pack cookies will be delivered on February 14th.



**CRUMBL COOKIE -
TRAVEL FUNDRAISER**

Deadline: JAN 31st

If you are interested in supporting the senior high Travel Club, orders can be placed online through your [Parent Portal](#) and selecting > Student Fees. Once you're in Rycor, please choose your PSC students' name on the top menu and the online form will be available there. This form can be completed a number of times for each customer purchase. For help with your online orders, please contact nicole.berg@wolfcreek.ab.ca.

FACEBOOK: PSC is on Facebook - please follow us on [PSC FACEBOOK LINK](#) for school highlights, events, and upcoming opportunities as we feature students and school activities on a regular basis.



PSC ONLINE APPAREL STORE: PSC is absolutely THRILLED to announce our new ONLINE STORE in partnership with WEDIN'S Team & Corporate. 🟢🟡

Please Note: The PSC Online Store is **OPEN FOR A TERM - orders can be placed beginning Monday, January 20th with an order DEADLINE of Friday, February 7th, 2025.** Orders will be received by the beginning of March 2025. Orders will be available for pick-up from the school office. The PSC Online store link will be available during this time.

<https://ponokasecondarycampusapparel.itemorder.com/.../home/>

Please check out the link between Jan 20th & Feb 7th to choose and customize an apparel item for your student or yourself.



GRAD 2025 STUDENT & PARENT UPDATE:

GRAD 2025 Fundraising Update: Thank you to all graduates and students that participated in the Christmas Bake Sale and Holiday Bottle Drive. We are patiently waiting for our Bottle Drive grand total. We will announce the total to all PSC graduates after our next scheduled Student-led Fundraising Committee meeting. Watch your emails for our annual February Flower Fundraiser partnered with **The Barn Garden Centre**. Orders will be accepted for the month of February through Parent Portal with the flower orders expected in mid May 2025.

GRAD 2025 Decorating Update: A scheduled meeting for our Student-led Decorating Committee is fast approaching. E-mails to all graduates will follow with the opportunity to vote on the decorating committee's final theme and song choices. We will announce Grad 2025's Theme and Song by the end of the month.

GRAD 2025 Scholarship Package: We will announce in the coming weeks when the Commencement Ceremony Scholarship Package will be ready for pick-up from the office. We are currently in the process of reaching out to every individual sponsor to confirm award amounts and descriptions. This package will also be added to our website as a digital format and include all our available Fall Awards. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Adcock in the office.

GRAD PHOTOS: PSC Grad Photos have been scheduled for **Thursday, January 30th & Friday, January 31st, 2025**. Feel free to visit [Smart Photography's Website](#) for their grad photo suggestions on what to wear. A sitting fee is required and payable online when you complete your sitting booking.

[CLICK HERE to Schedule your Grad Photo Sitting](#) **CODE: PSCG2425**



ONLINE BOOKING INSTRUCTIONS

SCHOOL/FACULTY: PONOKA SECONDARY CAMPUS

ACCESS CODE: PSCG2425

PHOTO DATES: JANUARY 30-31

SITTING FEE: \$36.75

BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT WITH THESE EASY STEPS!

1. Go online to www.SmartPhotography.ca/book
2. Enter your access code (above) and click "Submit"
3. Select desired date and time from bolded availability on calendar
4. Enter your information and pay the sitting fee using Paypal or Credit Card.

YOU'RE DONE! CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR A CONFIRMATION.

Need to change your appointment? No problem! Click "Reschedule" on your Email Confirmation to pick a new time up to 24 hours before your appointment.

GRAD APPAREL: The next order opportunity for Grad Apparel will be scheduled for the following dates: **Opening Monday, January 20th** with an order **DEADLINE of Friday, February 7th, 2025** with orders being received by the beginning of March 2025.

Grad Apparel Order Forms are available in the office or online through your Parent Portal > Student Fees.

GRAD '25
PONOKA SECONDARY CAMPUS

**GRAD APPAREL
ORDER FORM**

GRAD '25
PONOKA SECONDARY CAMPUS



ROCK THE DIPLOMA: In an effort to support the work of WCPS High Schools and to help students prepare for the **Alberta Diploma Examinations**, Wolf Creek Public Schools is continuing its partnership with Alberta based company "Rock the Diploma" to offer diploma preparatory courses for Wolf Creek students during this school year. The Board of Trustees has provided funding for these services to allow students to access this support without cost. Certified teachers with significant curriculum experience will be providing support and content for these sessions. These preparation courses will be offered just prior to the Alberta Diploma Exams and take place over the *weekends of:*

Jan 4 & 5th - Social Studies 30-1/30-2

Jan 10-12th - Math 30-1/30-2

Jan 17-19th - Bio 30 and Chem 30

Grade 12 students are encouraged to check your Wolf Creek email, as you will have received more information about this event directly from the school division.



Diploma Exam Prep - Jan 2025

All courses are held at Lacombe Composite High School 5628 56 Ave, Lacombe, AB

Registration deadline is Friday December 13th.

After this date, acceptance will only be granted if there is room in the class.

Register using the link below or scan the QR code!

NOTE: Social 30-1/-2 are at the end of Christmas Holidays – that is the reason for the alternate schedule.

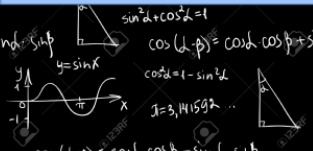
Social 30-1 or 30-2

Sat Jan 4th 9:00am – 5:00pm
Sun Jan 5th 9:00am – 5:00pm




Math 30-1 or 30-2

Fri Jan 10th 6:00pm – 9:30pm
Sat Jan 11th 10:00am – 4:00pm
Sun Jan 12th 10:00am – 4:00pm



Bio 30 or Chem 30

Fri Jan 17th 6:00pm – 9:30pm
Sat Jan 18th 10:00am – 4:00pm
Sun Jan 19th 10:00am – 4:00pm



YEAR CALENDAR: [Ponoka Secondary Campus 24-25 Year Calendar](#)

FAIL LISTS / ATTENDANCE CONCERNS: We will be pulling attendance and grade reports in the coming weeks and emailing an alert to parents / guardians informing them of any concerns. If you have a child who has a grade below 50% in any course, or who is having attendance concerns you will receive an email with some proactive solutions to help support your child. Please reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns.

HOMEWORK CLUB: We'll have staff available to help students with homework or studying after school on Wednesdays from 3:30 - 4:30 PM.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB / TUTORING: We always appreciate how supportive our Boys and Girls Club is with our school. We would like to encourage parents to leverage their tutoring support Tuesday / Wednesday / Thursday from 2:00 - 5:30 PM. This is a FREE tutoring opportunity available to ALL PSC students!

FREE!!!

LEARN ON

A FREE tutoring program that allows students ages 13-21 to receive homework support, connect with tutors, and plan for post-secondary education.

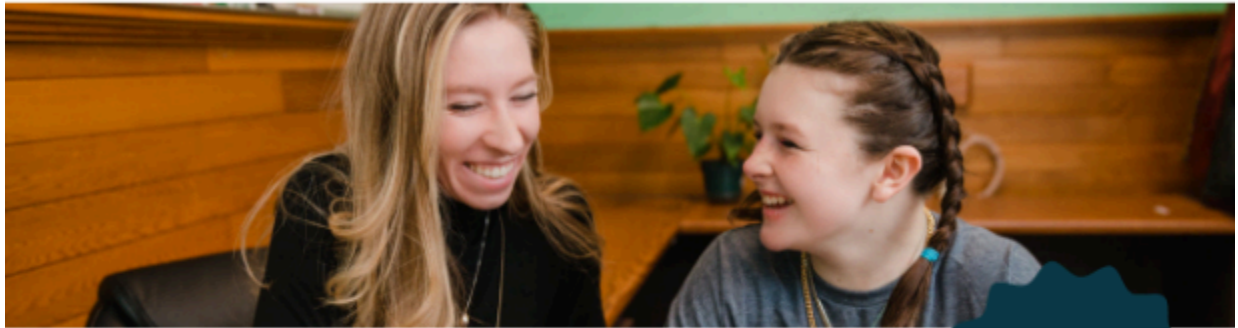
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY
2:00PM - 5:30PM

For more information call
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What is Learn On?

Learn On is **an educational support program** that encourages educational persistence while also supporting overall youth well-being as they enter adulthood.

FORMERLY KNOWN
AS RAISE THE GRADE
(REVAMPED
IN 2023).

Learn On offers a variety of activities & resources for youth in three main areas:

- Education Support: directly & indirectly helping youth find success in their educational life and ultimately graduate high school.
- Transitional Support: assisting youth move between milestone events in their educational and personal lives.
- Social-Emotional Wellbeing: supporting youth's overall wellness, including specialized training for staff on regulation, trauma-informed practice, and emotional intelligence.

DESIGNED FOR YOUTH AGES 13 TO 21.

Because of Learn On...

83% of youth thought they would graduate from high school.

74% of youth felt they were better able to take steps to reach their goals.

Diverse Groups, Diverse Impact

Youth born outside Canada and those who identify as Black or a person of colour reported significantly higher impacts on their academic confidence, resilience and career readiness as a result of their participation in Learn On.

*2023 Evaluation findings conducted by the Social Research and Demonstration Corporation (SRDC).

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I had expected it to be a place where I would go for an hour each night to meet with someone who would help me with my homework... But it is much more than that. I meet with a mentor who not only helps me with my homework but we are able to talk about anything and everything.

- Learn On Participant

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KEEP IN THE LOOP: Easy ways to keep notified: [PSC Events Google Calendar](#), accessing and reading the [Principal's Messages](#), as well as following us on [Facebook](#).

PSC Calendar: Please note semester dates and non-students days coming up in February.



PONOKA SECONDARY CAMPUS
2024 - 2025 School Year
BASE CALENDAR

School Photos
 Wednesday
 September 4th

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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- LEGEND:**
- x Staff Planning Days
 - x Stat Holidays - No school for staff or students
 - x First Day for all Grade 7 Students
 - x First Day for all Grade 8 - 12 Students
 - x Staff Collaboration Days - No school for students
 - x PTI In-Lieu days
 - x School Break - no school for staff and students
 - x High School Exam Week
 - x Teachers' Convention - No school for students
 - x Last Day for PSC Students
 - x School Collaboration Days or Weather Recovery Days

[FULL VIEW CALENDAR LINK](#)

BUS REGISTRATION:

Cody

“Work hard, be kind and amazing things will happen.”
 Conan O'Brien