



Canora Junior Elementary School - School Community Council

Administrator's Report – January 2025

1. Enrolment Update

a. As of **Wednesday, January 23** we have **154 - students** enrolled.

Grade/Month	Sept	Nov	Jan	Mar	May	June
Pre-K	14	15	16			
Kindergarten	25	24	24			
Grade 1	27	27	27			
Grade 2	37	36	37			
Grade 3	29	29	29			
Grade 4	21	21	21			
This year	153	152	154			
2023-24	160	157	159	157	156	157
2022-23	157	157	168	165	163	160

2. Staffing and Operations Update

a. **Staff members** – see attached staff list

- We have hired 2 new EA's:
 - i. Mr. Justin Brown for Mrs. Palchewich who is on Maternity leave
 - ii. Mrs. Holly Slowski as replacement for Ms. K's resignation.
- Welcome back to Ms. Meghan Dixon who is returning from Maternity Leave. We thank Mrs. Amy Kish for her work with the students and staff since the beginning of the year.

b. Projections for next year:

- Pre-Kindergarten = 16
- Kindergarten = 31
- Grade 1 = 25
- Grade 2 = 27
- Grade 3 = 36
- Grade 4 = 29
- **Total = 164**

3. School Information Updates:

- a. **Thank-You SCC for the great Chicken Tenders lunch today.**
- b. **Grade 4 SCC Leadership Team Report:**
- c. **School Clothing:**
 - Clothing has arrived
 - We will do another online store in March
- d. **Inclusive Outdoor Classroom and Swing Project**
 - Total raised to date: **\$27,368.37**
 - i. CN Community Application for \$25,000
 - ii. SGI
 - Donation Drive in February – the month of love...Love your students...Love your school!
- e. **Extra-Curricular:**
 - **NASP:** Just started – Mrs. Prychak and Mrs. Fast are coaching this years Archery team. Stringbow training just finished and the first sessions with the bows occurred this week.
 - **Indigenous Drumming/Singing Group:** School wide opportunity to watch the drum being built. Drumming Group will start next week with Mr. Robert Severight and Ms. Yulinda Ponnicaipo teaching the students. Ms. Stangel and Mrs. Ostafie are the staff coordinators. 28 students have returned permission forms to participate and learn.
 - **Craft Club:** Mrs. Ostafie has coordinated this opportunity with different grade levels each Friday this month.
 - **Beading Club:** This will once again be offered to any interested students in Grades 3 and 4. Mrs. Pamela Stevens will be supporting this club and Ms. Stangel will be the staff coordinator.
 - **Other opportunities in the new year may be:**
 - i. Games Club
 - ii. Other??
- f. **School Safety**
 - Drills:
 - i. 3 Evacuation Drills in Fall
 - a. done
 - ii. 3 Evacuation Drills in Spring
 - iii. 2 Lockdown practice Drills
 - a. 1 has been done so far
 - b. RCMP were on site
 - c. Completed well
 - Air Quality/Cold Temperature Wind Chill Administrative Procedure's
- g. **Call for Volunteer Reminders:** Ongoing throughout the school year
 - GSSD Administrative procedures dictate that any adult who will be in the care of any other child other than their own in the capacity of a volunteer must have a completed CRVS Search check.
- h. **Family Engagement Days:**
 - i. Family Literacy Day/Week – January 27-31
 - ii. Winter Olympics on Friday, March 14
 - iii. Play Day on Friday, June 20
- i. **Education Week was held on November** - November 24-30, 2024 – “Learning Is A Journey” A great week celebrating student learning and a focus on Indigenous ways of knowing and being. Our focus was the Canada Goose and the journey it takes every year and throughout its lifetime. Guest Mr. Robert Severight read a story to the students and taught them Cree words for different animals.

j. Staff Appreciation Week: February 9-15, 2025

- The SCC had kindly planned things for the staff in past years.

k. School Fees:

- To date we have 75% of fees paid.
- Still outstanding is 25% (39 students).

l. Potential Future Alternate School Calendar:

- The Canora Schools have voiced an interest in participating in an Alternate School year which would involve there be an slight extension to the school day with 10-11 additional days off throughout the school year.
- The additional days would be decided upon with SCC and parental involvement so that the schedule between both schools would be the same.
- This is not a “set in stone” decision as we understand public consultation would need to occur.
- We are likely a year out from this decision.

m. 2025-2026 Calendar Survey is Live

- [2025-2026 School Calendar Survey | Good Spirit School Division](#)
- A calendar committee comprised of representatives from Good Spirit School Division, Good Spirit Teachers' Association, Christ the Teacher Catholic School Division, and Christ the Teacher Teachers' Association developed draft calendars for the 2025-2026 school year.
- Head to our website via the link below where you will be able to view the two options: <https://www.gssd.ca/.../2025-2026-school-calendar-survey>
- Please examine both options and then complete the following survey: <https://forms.office.com/r/65PKapfT2G>
- The survey is open from January 16 to January 30, 2025. Following this online survey, the committee will reconvene to review the results and present it to their respective Boards of Education. For information on the calendar, head to our website!



Good Spirit School Division 2025-26 School Calendar Option 1

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	Professional Learning/Prep		School Admin Days	
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Calling all GSSD families of students with intensive needs, we want to hear from you! GSSD is excited to announce the new Special Advisory Council Initiative.

What's Involved?


- Two Formal Meetings per Year
- First Date: Thurs., Feb. 13/25
- Time: 4:00 PM to 6:30 PM
- Location: Birch Room, Good Spirit Education

Complex, Yorkton


- A meal will be provided! Based on the council's vision, there may be opportunities for school tours within GSSD and beyond.


2ND ANNUAL ROUND DANCE FOR TRUTH & RECONCILIATION


HOSTED BY THE GOOD SPIRIT SCHOOL DIVISION



Visit GSSD.ca to learn more about Round Dances and frequently asked questions!

 Saturday, January 25, 2025


 4:00pm Feast, Round Dance will start shortly after

 Yorkton Regional High School Gym
150 Gladstone Ave N
Yorkton SK S3N 2A8

MC - Aaron Tootoosis, Poundmaker Cree Nation
Stickman - Charlie Goforth, Peepeekisis Cree Nation
Smudge/Whipman - T. John McNabb, Peepeekisis Cree Nation
Soundman - Wasteste Sound, Fort Qu'Appelle, SK

First 20 lead singers will be acknowledged.
 First 20 backup singers will be acknowledged.
 GSSD Round Dance Committee Giveaway.
 Bagged lunch will be served.

Event is open to all!
 All students, staff, and the wider community are welcome to attend!



GSSD is not responsible for loss, theft or injury.
 This is an alcohol and drug free event. Security will be on site.

For more information please call the Good Spirit School Division at (306) 786-5500, email info@gssd.ca, visit www.gssd.ca, or contact Robert Severight at (306) 590-0208, robert.severight@gssd.ca.

4. School Instructional Programming and Data

- a. **Assessments:** Mid-Year Assessment Data is currently being collected from our Kindergarten to Grade 3 classes. We will have an update for you in March.

5. School Dates, Activities, and Events

- o January 20-February 7 – Kindergarten Family Engagement Window
- o Saturday, Jan 25 – GSSD Feast & Round Dance at YRHS at 4pm
- o January 30, 2025 – Kinder Grade 1 LeNs & Grade 2 to 3 CC3 assessment window closes
- o **Friday, Jan 31 – Pro-D Day – No Students**
- o February 10-14 – SCC February Spirit Week
- o Tuesday, Feb 11 – 100th Day of School
- o Friday, Feb 14 – Term 1 Report Cards published in EDSBY for families @ Noon
- o **Feb 15-23 – February Family Week Break – No School for Staff or Students**
- o Thursday, Feb 27 – Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences
- o Thursday, Mar 6 – SCC Meeting – 6:30
- o Friday, Mar 14 – Grades 2, 3, and 4 Math Screeners Data entry due date
- o Friday, Mar 14 – Winter Olympics
- o Friday, Mar 21 – Pre-Kindergarten IMPACT event – AM in the gym
- o **Friday, April 17 – Good Friday – No School for Students or Staff**
- o **April 17-27 – Spring Break – No School for Staff or Students**
- o Thursday, May 1 – LeNs and CC3 Literacy Assessment Window Opens
- o **Monday, May 19 – Victoria Day – No School for students or staff**
- o **Tuesday, May 20 – Pro-D Association Day at YRHS – No Students**
- o Wednesday, May 28 - LeNs and CC3 Literacy Assessment Window closes
- o Tuesday, June 10 – Last day of PreK
- o Friday, June 20 – CJE Play Day
- o Tuesday, June 24 – End of School Year Pool/Splash Park Party
- o Thursday, June 26 – Report Cards Published for families in EDSBY at Noon
- o **Thursday, June 26 - Last Day of School for Students**
- o **Friday, June 27 – Last Day of work for all Staff**

6. Parent/Community Feedback

- a. Nothing at this time.
- b. I welcome feedback of any kind...especially when it is constructive, actionable and with a problem-solving approach. My door is always open. Feedback from years prior and any conversation with a parent or community member is always considered with school decision making. Collection of data is also an important component from year to year.

7. Funding Requests for SCC Support

- a. Snacks for Spirit Days – motion to support the snack for Valentines Day cookie order from 3G Catering as well as the donuts from Coop for the Winter Olympics in March. The school will place the orders and organize delivery.

CJE Staff List – 2024-2025

Administration and Office Staff:

Principal	Ms. Shawna Stangel
Administrative Assistant	Mrs. Kim Hladun

Teaching Staff:

Pre-Kindergarten (AM)	Mrs. Heather Clemmensen
Kindergarten	Miss Taelor Kowalchuk
Grade 1	Mrs. Jennifer Prychak
Grade 1/2	Mrs. Lisa Fast
Grade 2/3	Miss Alexandria Martin
Grade 3/4	Mrs. Lindsey Ostafie
Grade 4	Mrs. Rhonda Exner
Phys Ed. & Health Specialist teacher (PM)	Mrs. Heather Clemmensen
Arts Ed. Specialist Teacher (PM)	Miss Ashley Davis
Student Support Teacher & Literacy Specialist	Mrs. Patti-Jo Donovan

School Support Staff:

Facility Caretaker	Mr. Christopher Donovan
Library Technician	Mrs. Ashley Steeves
Pre-Kinder Educational Assistant (AM)	Mrs. Shimonay Claassen (Ms Brenda Murray)
Pre-Kinder ELIS (AM)	Mrs. Cherish Lazaroff
Educational Assistant	Ms. Amber Boychuk
Educational Assistant	Ms. Meghan Dixon
Educational Assistant (PM)	Mrs. Cherish Lazaroff
Educational Assistant	Mrs. Shirley Kulcheski
Educational Assistant	Mrs. Alexis Palchewich (Mr. Justin Brown)
Educational Assistant	Mrs. Kateryna Mazur
Educational Assistant	Ms. Destiny Tremblay
Educational Assistant	Mrs. Holly Slowski

Bus Drivers:

Mr. Howard Howells	Mrs. Sherri Roebuck
Mr. Jim Tills	Mr. Peter Sikora
Mr. Wayne McInnes	Ms. Brenda Murray

Professional Support Personnel & Division Office Staff:

Speech Language Pathologist	Ms. Carolyne Psutka
School Counselor	Mrs. Lindsey Propp (0.3)
Occupational Therapist	Ms. Maureen Blight (on a needs basis)
School Psychologist	Mr. Gary Scheffler
Early Years Curriculum Consultant	Mrs. Kerrilyn Trost
Curriculum Consultant	Mrs. Susan Robertson
Digital Learning Consultant	Mrs. Michelle Morley
Student Services Coordinator	Mrs. Jackie Spencer
School Board Member - Subdivision 3	Mr. Shannon Leson
Superintendent of Schools	Mr. Shaune Beatty
Director of Education	Mr. Quinten Robertson