



# WEEKLY BISON TRACKS

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## UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS

**Thursday, January 30**  
Grade 9 Bison Fun Day

## Returning Student Registration for 2020-21

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) will once again conduct an online returning student registration process to confirm student registrations for the 2020-21 school year. Families of all returning students must complete the process to confirm the school their child plans to attend in the 2020-21 school year. Additionally, students who want to attend a non-designated school need to make that request through the returning student registration process—acceptance is based on available space. The 2020-21 returning student registration takes place Feb. 1-29, 2020.

Access to the Returning Student Registration Form is provided through the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). If you don't have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, please set one up before February 1, 2020.

[Create a PowerSchool Parent Portal account](#)

For more information contact the school directly.



## Parent Feedback -School Fees 2020/2021

Thank you to our parents that were able to attend our School Council Meeting on Monday, January 20th at 6:30 p.m. to discuss fees for the upcoming year. Some of the questions that were discussed:

- Do parents want more/less field trips? Do parents want more/less course options?
- Do parents want more/less tournaments for sports teams?
- Do parents want more clubs at the school? What types of clubs? Clubs can cost money – do they like the clubs?
- Do parents want tournaments to be in town or out of town? Out of town trips cost more money.
- Noon supervision – why the funds are needed and how they are used?
- Yearbook

Please read the minutes from the discussion and the tentative fees for 2020-2021 in the links below.

[Ardrossan Junior Senior High School PAC Minutes January 20, 2020](#)

[Ardrossan Junior Senior High School Fee Schedule 2020/21](#)

Thank you for sending your feedback to [Melanie.pinto@eips.ca](mailto:Melanie.pinto@eips.ca) by Monday, February 3, 2020.



**Grade 9**  
**Bison Fun Day**

SKIING \* BOWLING \* LASER TAG \* MOVIE \* SNOW BOARDING

**WHEN**  
Thursday, January 30, 2020

**WHERE**  
Sunridge or Gateway Center and Sherwood Park Mall/Galaxy Cinemas

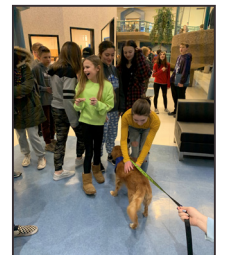
Please click [here](#) for the permission form and more information on Bison Fun Day.

Students have chosen to see  
**Jumanji: The Next Level**

If you are purchasing a new calculator for math in second semester please save the proof of purchase and bring it to Mrs. Gustafson in room 108 for a treat!!  
Calculator requirements:  
Grade 9 -Texas Instruments TI- 30x (scientific calculator)  
High School- Texas Instruments graphing calculator TI- 84 (silver edition is better and the one with colored lines is nice but not essential). The batteries usually last an entire semester so the rechargeable option is not really an advantage.



## EXAM WEEK





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## EXAM INFORMATION

**Grade 7 and 8 students will attend regular classes during exams.**

**Grade 9 students will attend regular classes/study sessions after their PATS.**

		AJIS EXAM SCHEDULE - JANUARY 2020										Final Draft	
		*Last day of classes for High School Students: Monday January 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2020											
	Thursday January 9 Day 1	Friday January 10 Day 2	Monday January 13 Day 1	Tuesday January 14 Day 2	Monday January 20 Day 2	Tuesday January 21 Day 1	Wednesday January 22 Day 2	Thursday January 23 Day 1	Friday January 24 Day 2	Monday January 27 Day 1	Tuesday January 28 Day 2	Wednesday Jan 29 Day 1	
<b>D I P L O M A S</b>			ELA 30-1 ELA 30-2 Part A  9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Social 30-1 Part A  9:00 AM – 12:00 PM  Social 30-2 Part A  9:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Last Day of High School classes		Math 30-1 Math 30-2  9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	English Language Arts 30-1 Part B  English Language Arts 30-2 Part B  9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Social Studies Etudes Sociales 30-1 Part B  Social Studies Etudes Sociales 30-2 Part B  9:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Biology 30  9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Chemistry 30  9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Physics 30  9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	
<b>S R  H I G H</b>	English Language Arts 10 - Part A (AM)  English Language Arts 20 - Part A (PM)	Social 20 Part A FLA 10 Part A (AM)  Social 10 Part A FLA 20 Part A (PM)			Last Day of High School classes		French Language Arts 10, 20 Part B  9:00 AM – 11:00 PM	Math 10 and Math 20  9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	English Language Arts 10 Part B  English Language Arts 20 Part B  9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Social 10 and Social 20 Part B  9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Biology 20 and Science 10  9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Chemistry 20  9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Physics 20  9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
<b>P A T S</b>							Grade 9 English Language Arts Part B  9:00 AM – 11:00 AM			Grade 9 English Language Arts Part B  9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Grade 9 Science  9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Grade 9 Social Studies  9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	

**High School Students writing final exams must bring identification**

### Semester 2 Course Changes:

Students can request course changes during the first week back to school in January. All changes will be completed by the start of Semester 2. See the course change sheets posted on the office windows.

### Grade 12s

**Diploma Exam Prep Classes** – EIPS Continuing Education offers diploma prep classes in January. Call 780-467-7292 or register online at <https://www.eipscontinuinged.ca/program-info/diploma-exam-preparation>

### Preparing for Exams

These are some popular websites teachers recommend students use to aid in studying for upcoming exams:

**Exam Bank** – practice tests for all K-12 subjects – [www.exambank.com](http://www.exambank.com)

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Click on AB K-12, select your grade, select practice exam, start test, then log in:

**username:** ei.ajs **password:** ski

**EDQuest** – Science notes and practice tests for Junior High - <http://www.edquest.ca/>



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## Post-Secondary News

### Green and Gold Getaway 2020

Twenty lucky grade 11 students throughout Alberta will be selected to visit the North U of A campus in Edmonton from May 22-24th, 2020. If selected, their experience will include accommodations, travel expense reimbursement and a whirlwind of exciting events both on campus and in Edmonton. Applications due Sunday, January 26, 2020. More information is available at [uab.ca/GGG](http://uab.ca/GGG).

### UAlberta Info Week

It's almost that time again! UAlberta Info Week will take place on campus from January 28 - 30, 2020. Your students will have the chance to learn more about what they'll study, find out about admission requirements, discover career paths, and ask all of their admission questions. The presentation schedule is live at [uab.ca/infoweek](http://uab.ca/infoweek), and NEW for this year is a parent session each night!

**Mathematics-1** is designed for students who plan to apply for **post-secondary** programs (that require Math 31) such as engineering, mathematics, sciences, or some business studies.

**Mathematics-2** is designed for students who plan to apply for **post-secondary** (but do not need Math 31) such as arts programs, some nursing, engineering, and medical technologies, or some apprenticeship programs.

*"If students have completed both Math 30-1 and Math 30-2, the higher grade of the two courses will be used for admission purposes."*  
- Sarah Rolles, Concordia University

**Mathematics-3** is designed for students to enter most apprenticeship training programs or who want to enter the workforce after high school.

**Mathematics-4** is the Knowledge and Employability courses designed to assist students in transitioning from school to the workplace and community, gain recognition, respect and value from employers and further education providers.



### INFO WEEK FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

JANUARY 28-30, 2020 | 5-8 P.M.  
VAN VLIET COMPLEX, UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

Students and their parents are invited to join us for UAlberta Info Week!

Come see campus and discover more about the programs that interest you. This year we will be hosting a parent session each evening for parents to learn how to support their new university student and ask any questions they may have.

You'll have the chance to:

- Explore different programs you can study
- Learn about the requirements for your degree program
- Discover different career paths
- Ask all of your admissions questions

It's their opportunity to explore options and get inspired about their future.

More information can be found at [uab.ca/infoweek](http://uab.ca/infoweek)



### Discover Concordia Info Night

Thursday, March 12, from 5:00pm to 7:30pm.

Join us on campus for bites and refreshments.

#### What you can expect

- A welcome message from our president, Dr. Tim Loreman
- Presentations from the Faculties of Arts, Education, Management, and Science
- Staff from the Admissions Office, Registrar's Office, International Office, Student Life & Learning, Career Services, Residence and more!
- Campus tours offered by our Student Ambassadors

#### Don't forget

- Application fee waived! (domestic applications only)
- Prize draws!

#### [Pre-register](#)

To be entered to win a Concordia University of Edmonton swag bag, and to receive updates and further information.

### GRADUATION PORTRAIT INFORMATION

Grad portraits have been scheduled for February 10-13, 2020. Reserve your appointment online as soon as possible.

#### Instructions:

- Go to [www.iconexp.com](http://www.iconexp.com) and click the "Book Now" button
- Select an event - Ardrossan Jr-Sr Grad Portraits (Taken @ Ardrossan in the Theatre Lobby)

For more information click [here](#).

**ICONEXPERIENCE PHOTOGRAPHY**  
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t: 780.449.3558 toll free: 1.866.449.3558  
e: [images@iconexp.com](mailto:images@iconexp.com)





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**ENCOUNTERS WITH CANADA** Sustainable Agriculture  
FEBRUARY 9-15, 2020

**\$150 REBATE!** Off our regular \$750 fee

Participants explore innovative and exciting ideas to feed Canada and the world in the future.

Encounters with Canada is our country's largest youth forum! Throughout the school year, 120 to 150 teens (ages 14-17) come to Ottawa each week from across Canada. Together with their peers they develop civic leadership skills, learn about Canadian institutions, meet famous and accomplished Canadians, and explore exciting career options.

Sponsored by Farm Credit Canada, the week includes sessions with industry leaders, such as biotechnologists, sustainable food specialists and agribusiness managers.

Participants travel from laboratory to field to discover the wide variety of opportunities in the tech and food arenas.

To learn more visit [www.EncountersWithCanada.ca](http://www.EncountersWithCanada.ca)  
Contact the recruitment department at:  
[EWC\\_registrar-registraire\\_RDC@HistoricaCanada.ca](mailto:EWC_registrar-registraire_RDC@HistoricaCanada.ca)  
1.800.361.0419 x 9507 or 9515

\*Rebate is limited and applies to remaining spots. Not a refund and does not apply to already assigned participants.

\*\*Activities are subject to change



**ENCOUNTERS WITH CANADA** SPORTS & FITNESS  
February 2 - 8  
2020

**\$100 REBATE!** Off our regular \$750 fee

Go behind the scenes at TD Place and hear from a panel of speakers from the Ottawa Sports Entertainment group regarding a career in sports!

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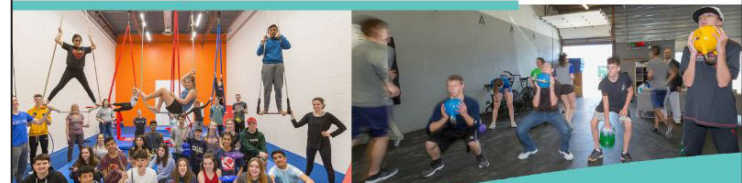


Participants may start their adventure with dragon boating, wall-climbing, martial arts, Kin-Ball, Ultimate Frisbee and fitness boot camp, and much more!

Meet and get some valuable tips from professional athletes, both active and retired and many other sports and fitness experts.

To learn more visit  
[www.EncountersWithCanada.ca](http://www.EncountersWithCanada.ca)  
Contact the recruitment department at:  
[EWC\\_registrar-registraire\\_RDC@HistoricaCanada.ca](mailto:EWC_registrar-registraire_RDC@HistoricaCanada.ca)  
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\*\*Needs-based bursaries are available.  
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## 3 POWER ENGINEERING POSITIONS WITH SHELL SCOTFORD COMPLEX

Deadline to apply Feb. 1, 2020

To learn more contact your off-campus co-ordinator

For a full list of placement opportunities visit [eips.ca/careerpathways](http://eips.ca/careerpathways)



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## Strathcona County News



### INFORMATION RELEASE

Strathcona County media releases can be found at [www.strathcona.ca](http://www.strathcona.ca)

Communications Department: 780-410-6595

January 20, 2020

#### Planning underway for new skateboard park in Ardrossan

On Wednesday, January 29, the public is invited to attend a design workshop for the new skateboard park in Ardrossan, planned for the green space adjacent to Memorial Hall. The workshop will be held in the Aspen Room at Ardrossan Recreation Complex (80-1 Avenue, Ardrossan), from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

New Line Skateparks will host the workshop where attendees can share input into this new skatepark. Attendees will be asked what features and design elements they would like to see incorporated. New Line Skateparks led a similar workshop in 2017 for the updated skatepark at Millennium Place.

A short online survey will also be available following the workshop for those who want to share input, but are unable to attend the workshop on January 29. Once the input is gathered from the workshop and survey, two proposed skatepark designs will be shared with the public to provide additional feedback.

A creative public art piece will also be designed and incorporated into the new skatepark. Workshop attendees will have the opportunity to meet the artist leading this creation and find out how they can be involved.

The initial design phase of the project will take place in early 2020, and construction will begin in late 2020.

Visit [strathcona.ca/ardrossanskatepark](http://strathcona.ca/ardrossanskatepark) or call 780-467-2211 for more information.

Set in the centre of Alberta's energy and agricultural heartland, Strathcona County is a thriving, successful and vibrant community of over 98,000 residents. Strathcona County is made up of the urban area of Sherwood Park and a large adjacent rural area of farms, acreages and smaller hamlets. It is home to 75 per cent of refining in Western Canada. With a focus on economic, governance, social, cultural and environmental sustainability, Strathcona County is committed to balancing the unique needs of its diverse community.

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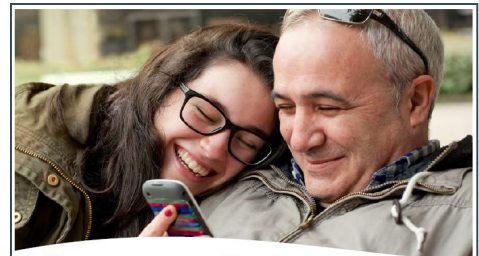
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Find us on:   



### Connect Parent

Connect Parent is 9 week program which provides parents with a new perspective on parent-teen relationships and adolescent development.

Parents meet in small groups with two trained leaders for 90 minutes each week. This program is open to all families from Strathcona County and is no cost, with a light supper provided to participants.

Date and Time:

Every Monday, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

January 20 to March 23

\*No session February 17

Location:

Millennium Place

2000 Premier Way, Sherwood Park

To Register:

Call 780-464-8440

A light supper will be provided



### NEWCOMER CONNECTOR

Welcome to Strathcona County!

Are you new to Canada and Strathcona County? Do you want to connect with other newcomers and learn how to access supports and resources in your community?

WHEN: New events and opportunities happen every month

WHERE: Family and Community Services  
2nd Floor, East Wing Community Centre  
401 Festival Lane

To learn more, contact:  
Family and Community Services  
780-464-4044  
[www.strathcona.ca/newcomer](http://www.strathcona.ca/newcomer)



Helping build a supported, safe and connected community!