

**CHARLES SPENCER HIGH SCHOOL**

# **NEWSLETTER**



# **MAVERICK NEWS**

## **MAY 2024**

**20 KNOWLEDGE WAY**

**GRANDE PRAIRIE, AB T8W 2V9**

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a Message from...

# The Principal

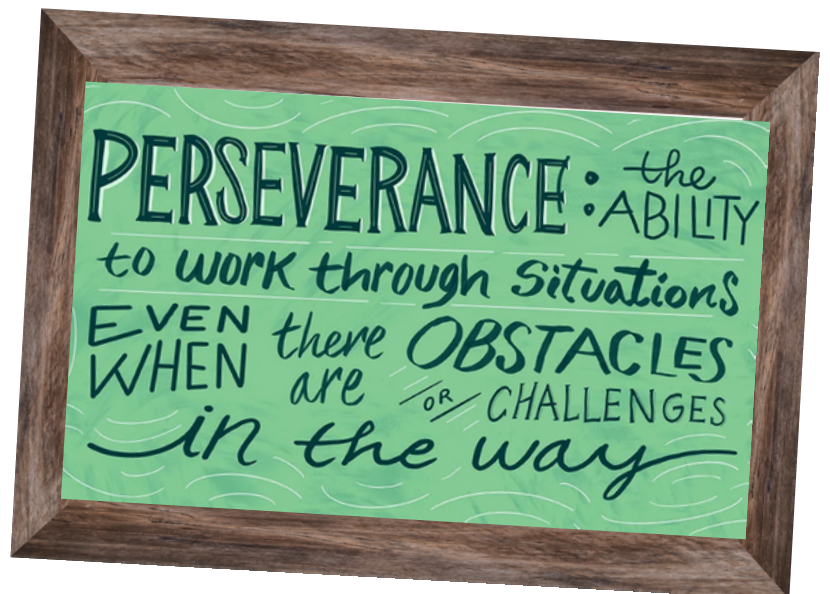


## Finish Strong...

As a staff, we marvel at the tremendous growth demonstrated by our students. Our grade 9s have developed a capacity to manage increased freedom and they are ready for the responsibility of earning credits as they transition to grade 10. Our grade 12s have established a strong foundation for future success, whether they are pursuing a trade, heading off to college or university, or entering directly into the workforce. We are all so proud of our graduates! They have overcome tremendous obstacles, embraced new opportunities, and prepared themselves for the next stages of their lives.

This final stretch of six weeks, prior to final exams, is vital to every student's success. The last day of regular classes on June 14 will come very quickly. We want to be sure all our students are celebrating their accomplishments at the end of the school year. Regular attendance is the most foundational ingredient to a strong finish. If there are missing assignments or challenges with a particular class, let's face the challenge directly and develop a plan to overcome any obstacles that remain in the way.

Let's all do our part to support and encourage a strong finish to the school year for all of our students.





# **important** Links

**GPPSD CALENDAR**

**REGISTRATION**

**SCHOOL ENGAGE**

**POWERSCHOOL**

**CSHS WEBSITE**

**FACEBOOK**

**MY PASS**

**CASPERS CAFETERIA**



*Have fees to pay?*

**Please log into  
POWERSCHOOL**



**on your browser to check for outstanding fees.**

*Fees can be paid online, in person, or by calling the school.*



CHARLES SPENCER HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

# CARRIE

THE MUSICAL



**DID YOU CATCH THE SHOW?**

IT WAS AMAZING



Coming this fall...

**MEANGIRLS** THAT'S SO FETCH!



# SKILLS COMPETITION

Some snapshots from the Northwestern Regional Skills Competition last Friday in Fairview! A fantastic, talented group of students competed and a great time was had by all!

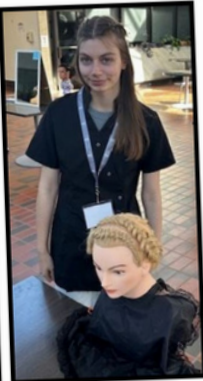


**CONGRATS**

- Keelan - 3rd in Carpentry
- Amy - 2nd in Hairstyling
- Sam & Layla - 2nd in Robotics
- Mya - 3rd in Culinary



**Robotics**



**HAIRSTYLING**



**CARPENTRY**





# Congratulations



to the **Maverick Sr. Strings** on their **Gold Superior**  
and the **Charles Spencer Orchestra** on their  
**Gold** at the Grande Prairie Music Festival!

## 10th Anniversary Celebration



Charles Spencer High School will be celebrating  
our 10th anniversary in the fall of 2024 with  
a day filled with student activities!

# Fall 2024

Parents and families are invited to join in the festivities  
after school. It promises to be a memorable day of  
celebration for the entire school community.

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# DEADLINE **May 3, 2024**

In Alberta, and in many other places across the world, student cellphone use is increasing. Cellphones have the potential to be powerful teaching aids that, when used appropriately, can improve learning outcomes. But there are significant risks and concerns with inappropriate cellphone usage. They can be a distraction to students in the classroom and disrupt a student's learning and can impact student safety through bullying or harassment.

I am interested in hearing from teachers, parents, and other staff about cellphone usage in our schools and using their advice to help inform any potential next steps. You are invited to share your views about the future of student cellphone use in schools. **You have until May 3, 2024** to participate in an online survey about the future of cellphone use in elementary, junior high, and senior high schools.

Input from this targeted engagement will help inform potential future government direction.

Best,  
Demetrios Nicolaidis ECA PhD  
Minister of Education





# ATTENTION GRADS!

...and everyone else

Yearbooks are **NOT** automatically added to school accounts.

If you want one please call or email the school by **May 1st** to secure yours!

**ORDER NOW**

**\$60**

# 2023-24 YEARBOOK



Let's GO!

GOOD TIMES

enjoy every moment.

What a great year!



AUTOGRAPHS





# GRADUATION 2024

## GRADUATION TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!

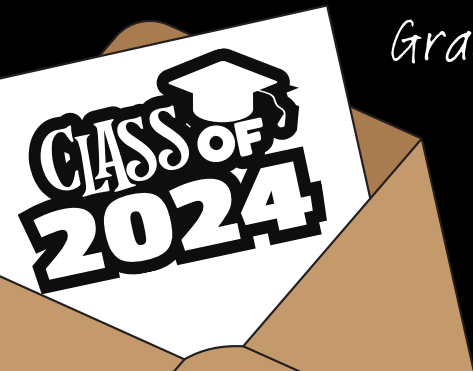


4 complimentary tickets for each graduate  
 Additional 8 tickets can be bought for \$10 each  
 Physical tickets will be available for collection during Grad Week  
 All fees must be settled in order to buy tickets

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Cap and Gown Ceremony – Wednesday, June 26, 2024  
 Grand March – Wednesday, June 26, 2024

*Grad letters are available for pick up at the office!*



**For all information GRAD related, please click [HERE](#)**





# GR. 12 DIPLOMA EXAM SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 11	9 AM–12 PM	English Language Arts 30–1 Part A* English Language Arts 30–2 Part A*
Wednesday, June 12	9 AM–12 PM 9 AM–11:30 AM	Social Studies 30–1 Part(ie) A* Social Studies 30–2 Part(ie) A*
Thursday, June 13	9 AM–12 PM	Français 30–1 Partie A* French Language Arts 30–1 Partie A*
Friday, June 14	9 AM–12 PM	Français 30–1 Partie B French Language Arts 30–1 Partie B
Monday, June 17	9 AM–12 PM	Mathematics 30–1 Mathematics 30–2
Tuesday, June 18	9 AM–12 PM	English Language Arts 30–1 Part B English Language Arts 30–2 Part B
Wednesday, June 19	9 AM–11:30 AM	Social Studies 30–1 Part(ie) B Social Studies 30–2 Part(ie) B
Thursday, June 20	9 AM–12 PM	Biology 30
Monday, June 24	9 AM–12 PM	Chemistry 30
Tuesday, June 25	9 AM–12 PM	Physics 30
Wednesday, June 26	9 AM–12 PM	Science 30

**GR. 10 & 11 FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE TBA**



# GR. 9 PAT EXAM SCHEDULE

## MAY

Monday, May 13	9 AM–11 AM	Grade 6 Français/French Language Arts Partie A Grade 9 English Language Arts Part A Grade 9 K&E English Language Arts Part A
	9 AM–10:20 AM	
Wednesday, May 15	9 AM–11 AM	Grade 9 Français/French Language Arts Partie A

## JUNE

Tuesday, June 11	9 AM–10 AM 9 AM–10:15 AM	Grade 6 Français/French Language Arts Partie B Grade 9 Français/French Language Arts Partie B
Wednesday, June 12	9 AM–10:15 AM	Grade 9 English Language Arts Part B Grade 9 K&E English Language Arts Part B
Thursday, June 13	9 AM–9:30 AM	Grade 9 Mathematics Part(ie) A
Tuesday, June 18	9 AM–10:20 AM	Grade 9 Mathematics Part(ie) B Grade 9 K&E Mathematics
Wednesday, June 19	9 AM–10 AM 9 AM–10:20 AM 9 AM–10:15 AM	Grade 6 Social Studies Grade 9 Social Studies Grade 9 K&E Social Studies
Thursday, June 20	9 AM–10 AM 9 AM–10:15 AM	Grade 6 Science Grade 9 Science Grade 9 K&E Science



# MAY SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES

**May 1st** Leavitt Scholarship Program and 4-H Alberta Scholarship

**May 3rd** TC Energy Scholarship and Canfor Scholarship

**May 10th** Dreams Scholarship / Dreams Scholarship Specific programs

**May 14th** Chartered Professional Account Scholarships

**May 19th** The Brandon Walli "Phones Down, Eyes Up" Memorial

**May 21st** Rotary Scholarship

**May 25th** Orville Erickson Memorial Scholarship

**May 26th** Canadian Hearing Services National Scholarship Program

**May 30th** Western Communities Foundation Exceptional Achievement Citation and Bursary Award

**May 31st** MADD Bursary Fund

**May 31st** HEC Gervais Academic & Curling Scholarship Foundation

**May 31st** Rudder Reid Charitable Foundation

**Check out our school webpage for more information and additional upcoming scholarship and bursaries!**



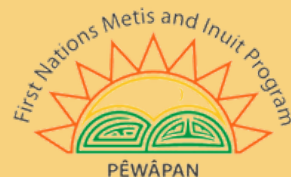
## Students...

**Please do not park in the lot directly across from the main front doors. This is staff and visitor parking only!**





# INDIGENOUS PROGRAM PAGE



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Indigenous Liaison  
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text or call  
Dani-elle.Gillis@gppsd.ab.ca

## Important Dates:

**May 16th** - Moosehide Campaign

**May 6th** - Red Dress Day

**May 24th & 25th**

Spirit Seekers Youth Conference

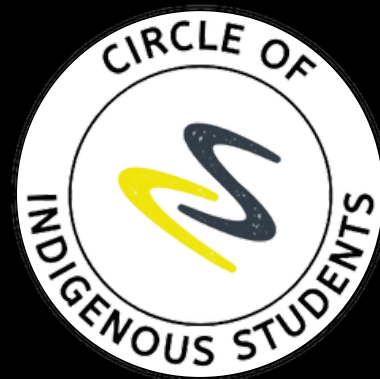
See Dani to sign-up - GPPSD will pay  
your registration fee)

**TUESDAYS in May** - Learner's License Drop-in  
Study Group at lunch time - Room 129

**June 5th** - Indigenous Culture Day  
at Charles Spencer

**June 6th** - GPPSD Indigenous Graduate

Honouring ([Click here to sign-up by May 6th](#))





# LEARNER'S LICENCE STUDY GROUP



Study the Learner's Manual  
Practice with Flashcards  
Watch Driving Videos  
Take Practice Tests  
Ask Questions

MAY

## TUESDAYS @ LUNCH

SEE DANI IN STUDENT SERVICES FOR MORE INFO



Room  
129!



MOOSE HIDE  
CAMPAIGN

CAMPAGNE  
MOOSE HIDE

## May 16, 2024

The Moose Hide Campaign is a nationwide movement of Indigenous and non-Indigenous Canadians – all committed to taking action to end violence toward women and children.

People of all ages, genders, and backgrounds are invited to take part in Moose Hide Campaign activities.

A cornerstone of the Moose Hide Campaign is the moose hide pin. Wearing the pin signifies your commitment to honour, respect, and protect the women and children in your life and speak out against gender-based and domestic violence.

# SPIRIT SEEKERS 2024

Mother Nature  
is our  
Medicine.

Friday, May 24th and  
Saturday, May 25th, 2024

Welcome all youth age 14 to 17



Early Bird Registration is \$80.00  
After April 19th registration is \$120.00

24th Annual Spirit Seekers Youth  
Conference hosted by Grande Prairie  
Friendship Centre

[www.gpfriendshipcentre.org/spiritseekers](http://www.gpfriendshipcentre.org/spiritseekers)

G.P.P.S.D.

## Indigenous Graduate Honouring

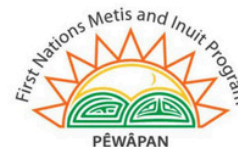
Self-identified Indigenous Graduates are invited to participate in a special day to honour their school success! Our day will include cultural teachings, performances, Graduate Honouring Ceremony, and lunch. Families are invited to join us on this special day!

Thursday, June 6, 2024

10:00 am Cultural Teachings  
11:30 am Grand Entry & Ceremony  
1:30 pm Lunch

Camp Tamarack

704081 Range Road 62, County of Grande Prairie



SCAN  
to  
Register





# Get your Gear Today!



THE MAVERICK MARKET HAS LOTS OF SCHOOL SWAG THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE AND TAKE HOME TODAY!

[OR CLICK HERE TO ORDER ONLINE AND HAVE IT DELIVERED RIGHT TO YOUR DOORSTEP!](#)





# JOB FAIR

## WORK & LEARN

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29TH  
FROM 2PM - 4PM

CHARLES SPENCER HIGH SCHOOL  
COMMON AREA

Providing work and  
learning opportunities  
for High School  
students.

Meet Employers  
and receive support  
to become more  
employable.



CAREERS





# MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU

WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY  
MAY 1ST - 3RD

DISPLAY CASES

**NOW WITH  
DEBIT!**

Interact



*Rotary Sponsored Club*

**\$1.00**  
LIGHTSABERS

# Text Books AND Library Books

**All library and text books that are overdue must be returned to the library. Failure to return books will result in a fee being added to student' account statements.**



# Welcome to Northwestern Polytechnic



Explore Our Programs

## REGISTRATION FOR THE 2024 NWP STUDENT FOR A DAY - GR. 10-12

This event is the perfect opportunity for students to explore programs available to them, connect with our knowledgeable staff, familiarize themselves with our campus, and get a snapshot into what the post-secondary experience can be. We have a full day of events and activities planned, there will be something for everyone.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024 - NWP GRANDE PRAIRIE CAMPUS**  
**THE DAY WILL BEGIN AT 9:30 A.M. AND END BY 2:30 P.M.**

Food options will be available for purchase. Please note, we encourage attendees to bring snacks for the day and a prepared lunch if they have any dietary restrictions.

*The day of the event they are to find a ride over to the college and our counselors will meet them there.*

**[Click here to sign up!](#)**

