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## **Admin Corner:**

Spring is here and the snow has melted.

The LCHS leadership team is working on the reconfiguration process, preparing us to welcome our grade 8 and 9 students next year. We are very excited about the opportunities this presents for reimagining the school. We will be sharing our plans as they are finalized.

Planning for Grad 2024 is well underway. Our Commencement Ceremony will be held at the Jubilee Auditorium the afternoon of May 25th. Our Parent Grad Committee has organized a Banquet event for that same evening.

We are finishing up High School course selection for next year. Classes will be assigned based on the number of requests and teacher availability. Right now, we anticipate over 900 students with our grade 8s and 9s added into the total. There will necessarily be some changes to our complementary offerings as a result.

The next Parent Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 22nd, at 6:30 PM in the LCHS Staff Room. Join the meeting and support your parent council.

Sincerely,

Brad Clarke Richard Dechaine Blair Mailer Cindy McRae

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# MEET OUR ADMINISTRATION AND COUNSELLOR TEAM

Mr. Brad Clarke	Mr. Blair Mailer	Mr. Richard Dechaine	Mrs. Cindy McRae
Principal	Assistant Principal	Assistant Principal	Assistant Principal
Ext. 304	Ext. 306	Ext. 310	Ext. 305
R12	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
	Ms. Carolyn Reny	Mrs. Vicki Lidkea	Mrs. Renee Drover
	Counsellor	Counsellor	Counsellor
	Ext. 314	Ext. 313	Ext. 315
	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12

## **ATTENTION PARENTS/GUARDIANS**

If you do not have access to Power School Parent Portal please contact Mrs. Gerlitz at 780-986-2248 ext 302. The Parent Portal allows you to view your students' attendance, marks, pay fees on line, among other features. If you have an existing account, you can add additional students to the same account. If you have moved, changed phone number(s), or have any changes to personal information, please contact Mrs. Gerlitz in the office at 780-986-2248 ext 302. It is important that we have your most current information on file.

If your student will be absent from school, please notify the office so that we can enter the attendance accordingly. If it is after hours, please leave the message **clearly** saying the first and last name of the student on the school answering machine.

## **LCHS Locked Door Policy**



In order to improve safety and security in schools, and in response to the changes in our society, Black Gold has officially announced a "Locked Door" initiative in all Division schools. The safety of our students and staff is of paramount importance at LCHS and compliance with this initiative began in spring of 2023. This video-monitored intercom entry system will allow office personnel to determine who is at the door and admit arrivals without having to leave the front desk. This new procedure both allows staff to know who is in the building and impedes trespassers from entering the premises. With the technical challenges now worked out, LCHS will begin **full implementation the week of September 11, 2023**. This will make LCHS consistent with other BGSD schools

#### LCHS will implement its Locked Door Policy in the following way:

- All school exterior doors will be locked during instructional times and students will need School-Issued Photo ID in order to enter the building.
  - Soft Implementation September 11 & 12.
     Students will be admitted to the school and reminded that they will need the ID cards later in the week.
  - Final Implementation September 13 and beyond.
     Students will be required to show their ID to enter the school
- There are video-monitored systems installed at our two designated main entrances.
   Those main entrances are the front entrance (Cafeteria) and the back entrance (Cosmetology) adjacent to the parking lot. Students must enter the building using one of the two designated entrances.
- Students must press the intercom and show photo ID to the camera to identify themselves. The office will verify their ID and then admit them into the building.
- The two main entrances will be unlocked during non-instructional times.
- Parents/caregivers, school visitors, and other guests, must use the front door video-monitored intercom entry system. Our office staff will communicate with visitors and grant access if appropriate.
- Food delivery services will not be permitted into the building.

#### Regarding ID Cards:

- Students are provided with an ID card by the school. If a student has lost their card, a new card will be issued and a replacement fee charged.
- Our new school photo service will be providing us with digital ID cards that students can keep on their phone. More information will be provided when the digital cards are ready.

Students are prohibited from:

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- allowing other students (or visitors) in the building without permission.
- propping open exterior doors

Students who violate these rules will receive a disciplinary consequence.

Classes that are outside for instruction:

- As the class is entering as a group, the teacher will need to fob their class in.
- If a student becomes separated from their class, they will need to enter using one of the two principal entrances when returning to the building.

Due to safety concerns, students are subject to school disciplinary action if they violate the conditions of this policy.

#### Schedule

	Current Bell Schedule	Time	Locked/Unlocked
Warning Bell	8:30	7:45-8:40	Unlocked
Block 1	8:33-10:02	8:40-9:52	Locked
Break	10:02-10:06	9:52-10:10	Unlocked
Block 2	10:06-11:30	10:10-11:30	Locked
Lunch	11:30-12:19	11:30-12:33	Unlocked
Warning Bell	12:19	11.50-12.55	Officked
Block 3	12:23-1:47	12:33-1:40	Locked
Break	1:47-1:51	1:40-1:56	Unlocked
Block 4	1:51-3:15	1:56-3:15	Locked
After School		3:15 - 4:00	Unlocked
After Hours		4:00 - 7:45 am	Locked / No Access





The Grad UPDATE newsletter went out in February. Contact the office if you did not receive one. The Grad list will continue to be updated until May 3.

### **Grad Banquet/Parent Association**

The Parent Association has created a Grad Banquet Parent group who are organizing a banquet after the graduation ceremony. They are on the tail end of their fundraising efforts with the goal of reducing ticket prices to the banquet. There were two fundraisers that happened in the month of April.

Growing Smiles flower fundraiser is closing on April 24th <a href="https://leduccompositehigh.growingsmilesfundraising.com/">https://leduccompositehigh.growingsmilesfundraising.com/</a>

The opportunity to purchase Grad lawn signs is closing on April 17th. Lawn signs are available for purchase on your parent portal of powerschool.

Grad wear should be delivered in about a week.

LCHS Grad has an account with the Bottle Depot. You are always welcome to drop your bottles off there to support our grads. **Our account number is: 1057A** 

Thanks to everyone who supported these fundraisers.

The next Grad parent Banquet meeting will be held in the staff room on April 25th, 2024 at 6:30.

## Dates to remember:

Thursday, May 23th 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 pm - Mandatory grad rehearsal and class photo in Gym B

Saturday, May 25th 1:00 p.m. LCHS Graduation Ceremony Jubilee Auditorium Grad Banquet to follow at the Leduc Recreation Centre

**Ceremony Ticket information:** Tickets will be available for purchase at the beginning of May through Ticketmaster. All graduates who are on the grad list will be able to have seven guests for the ceremony. Once all parents have had a chance to purchase tickets, there will be more tickets available, if there are still seats left in the Jubilee. More information will be sent out directly to parents with specific details on how to purchase tickets.

**Banquet Ticket Information:** Tickets for the graduation Banquet will be available for any student in Grade 12 to purchase through the parent portal. Information will be sent to parents directly on how many tickets will be available and cost.





The camp is open to all students currently enrolled in grades 9 to 11 that will be attending a Black Gold High School in the fall.

Practices for the camp will be held May 15 - June 7 on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at the LCHS football practice field from 4:30 until 6:30.

The cost of the camp will be \$75, this includes equipment rental, field instruction and a camp shirt.

Players will need to bring their own cleats, a mouth guard and either a girdle or integrated practice pants.

There will be a meeting on May 8th at 6:30 for all players and parents interested in attending camp at LCHS.

Player equipment withdrawal will start on May 9th and 10th for all returning players and May 14th for new players.

All forms must be completed, and fees must be received before camp begins.

All players will report to practice on Wednesday, May 15 at 4:00pm.

If you would like to participate or need more information, contact us at leductigers@gmail.com Use the QR code below to sign up today.



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## FABRICATION NEWS



We would like to congratulate **Dylan Nickerson** on receiving the **Flame to Fame** scholarship. Dylan was recognized for his hard work and dedication to the welding trade and the fabrication program here at LCHS. The fabrication program would also like to sincerely thank UA local 488 and PCL for recognizing students like Dylan and contributing to their future success. We would also like to thank **Boyd Currie and Rodney Carlson from UA Local 488 and Pedro Mendes from PCL** for taking the time to come and present this award to our student.



The fabrication department would like to congratulate **Rhett Barber**, **Kayden Hearn and Dylan Nickerson** on their competition at the **Skills Alberta Regional Competition** on April 6th. All three did an excellent job representing LCHS. Way to go!



The fabrication department would like to thank **Samuel & Sons** for their generous donation of steel to the welding department. Their continued support greatly contributes to the success of the welding program here at LCHS.



"On the surface, we're a family of cuddly critters and a big bowl of emotions. Underneath, we're a proven system for helping kids grow and transform by dealing skillfully with their feelings."

Emotional Literacy & Communication tools for 3-6 year olds and their grown ups

April 17th- May 8th 1:30pm-3:00pm

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Email FRN@Leduc.ca for more information scan the QR to register







Youth Week is BACK for 2024! We're shaking things up this year and hosting Youth Week in May instead of August.

There are seven days of FREE (we like that word, right?) youth-focused activities. Some events require registration in advance, so be sure to check out each of the events for more information.

For more information visit Leduc.ca/youthweek

Date	Event
Sunday, May 5	3-5 p.m. House of Wheels
	7-9 p.m. Youth Swim
Monday, May 6	7-9 p.m. Youth Karaoke & Art night
Tuesday, May 7	4-7 p.m. Youth Open Mic Night
	7 p.m. Teen Fit orientation & workout
Wednesday, May 8	6:30-8 p.m. Be Kind to Your Mind
Thursday, May 9	5-7:30 p.m. Murder Mystery
Friday, May 10	Surprise Friday Fun Event
Saturday, May 11	8:30-10:30 p.m. Teen Takeover



## SAVE THE DATE!

To the Youth of Leduc and Leduc County

The Black Gold Quilt Patch Guild (BGQPG) of Leduc invites you to enter the

2024 Leduc QuiltFest

which will run

October 18th & 19th, 2024.

There will be 3 categories for **Youth** entries:

Juniors: ages 9-11

Intermediates: ages 12-15

Seniors: ages 16 - 18

We invite you to make a quilted project which consists of three layers:

a fabric top layer (pieced or whole cloth), batting (middle layer) and a fabric bottom layer which are all quilted together with stitching, and bound with a binding. The size and end use of the entry is up to you. Try making a table runner, placemats, wall hanging, coasters or a bed quilt.

Maximum 3 entries per participant. Group entries may be accepted.

We will display all Youth entries in their own location of the show, a written Bio of the maker(s) will be posted along side your entry for friends and family to view.

Deadline for Entries is September 1, 2024 :

watch for more information at https://www.facebook.com/BlackGoldQuiltPatchGuild

If you have any questions please contact vicepresident@bgqpg.com.

We look forward to sharing your work with the community.



# >>> SUBSIDY <<<

Receive 50% off of a monthly Leduc Transit bus pass for low-income residents!

- Choose between a local, commuter, or LATS (if eligible) bus pass
- Must be a City of Leduc resident
- Must meet income eligibility requirement



For more information:



780-980-7109



The Automotive Department is looking for donation vehicles to help with the program. Tax receipts will be issued for the value of the vehicle. Please contact the school at 780-986-2248 (ext. 127)



## LCHS Work Experience Program

The Black Gold Regional Division Off-Campus Education Program is all about students learning valuable work skills beyond the walls of their school. A company work site within their community becomes their 'classroom'.

The purpose of this program is to familiarize students with the world of work. Real-life resumes and interviews can help them land a quality job, while customized skill and safety training give students the opportunity to excel at their work site.

Students will also earn up to a maximum of 30 credits in Work Experience, 15 of which can be used towards their high school diploma. 25 hours of work equals 1 credit.



So... if you have a job and want to earn credits.

Come and see Mrs. St. John in room 121 or 215.

## \*\*Check us out on Instagram: @foodsleduccomp \*\*





## Grab- N -Go Breakfast

Program Free!!

# Don't go to class hungry.

Open 8:00-8:27

**ROOM 106 FOODS LAB** 



## **DIVISION NEWS-BOARD HIGHLIGHTS**

Parents can access the Board Highlights at:

http://www.blackgold.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/37/2023/09/March-31-2024-Board-Highlights-1-1.pdf

They are also posted to our Board Highlights website section.

The January Board Highlights have been posted to our website at: <a href="News">News</a>. They are also posted to our <a href="Board Highlights">Board Highlights</a> website section

The Board Highlights are a summary of our Board of Trustee meetings to communicate pertinent information to our staff, school councils, parents, students and stakeholders.

## Hey LCHS

Did you know that Leduc Composite High School is operating the most successful Green Certificate Program in the province?

### What is the Green Certificate Program?

It is an apprenticeship style training program serving the agriculture industry.

### How does it work?

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Alberta Agriculture and Forestry (AAF) works in partnership with the agriculture industry and Alberta Education (via the off campus education policy) to offer the Green Certificate Program to all Albertans. Trainees select a specialization and under the guidance of their trainer, work towards mastering all of the skills within their training program.

## What is in it for me, as a high school student?

- •Earn 16 grade twelve diploma credits per specialization completed
- •Have fun learning more about agriculture in a practical, hands-on environment.
- •Increase your knowledge and skill level and gain valuable work experience
- •Reach further educational goals; many post-secondary agricultural institutions and scholarship programs look favorably upon Green Certificate involvement
- •Explore career options in the agriculture industry
- •Earn recognition for what you can already do on the farm
- •Learn more about crops or animals, agriculture, machinery and farming operations
- •Include the experience and training on your resume and add the certificate of completion to your portfolio.

## **Areas of Study**

- Cow-Calf
- Swine
- Field Crops
- Dairy
- Irrigated Crops
- Feedlot
- Sheep
- Bee Keeping
- Greenhouse





# COSMETOLOGY



Cuts \$ 10.00

**Perms \$ 30.00 and up** 

Colors \$ 30.00 and up

Foils \$40.00 and up

Manicures \$ 10.00 and up

Waxing \$ 6.00 and up

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