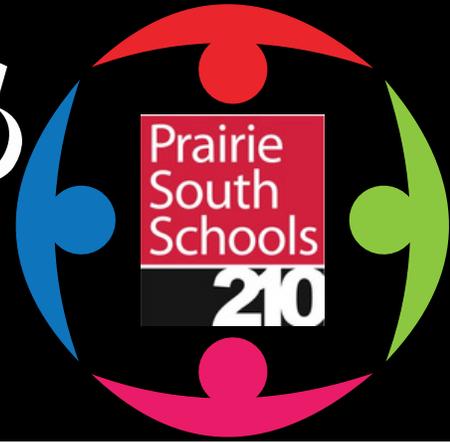


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NEWSLETTER

March 2026



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Staff Appreciation Week

We were blown away with the number of shout-outs our staff received. In total, we received 733 messages! Each message will be shared with the staff member. Here are a few to enjoy.

Mrs. Van Dam, William Grayson School is an exceptional EA who thrives on children's success. She understands what team work is and will help anywhere she is needed! You can always expect to have fun working along side her and she is always willing to have a conversation with anyone. We love her!

Jason Breton (JB) thanks for being my "go to" IT guy over the years. Many times I have emailed you in a panic and you always come to the rescue. Seeing your smiling face come through the door is always a saving grace and I think you are a pretty good dude. Thanks for all your help!!

Liana Noble, Prince Arthur School, is the glue that holds this school together. The way she knows every student and family by name is astounding and speaks to her incredible heart. She is organized, kind, and truly the best face for our school. Liana goes above and beyond every single day, ensuring that every person who walks through the doors feels seen and valued. We are so lucky to have her as our front-line support!

Deandra Peterson, Central Butte School, is not only a great teacher but she is also a great person all around. She takes an interest in learning about each and every one of her students. She puts her whole heart into her job and takes time away from her busy family to mark assignments right away. Mrs. Peterson truly loves her job and it shows!

Thank you to all **Assiniboia bus drivers** that help get our students to and from the school! You mean the world to us!

Sheldon Denet, Riverview Collegiate takes pride in keeping Riverview clean. He also takes time to connect with students and staff. We are lucky to have such a great facility operator.

Christa Elder, Lafleche Central School, creates a safe, comfortable and creative classroom for all students. She takes extra time to make the whole family informed and included in our child's learning. We are so lucky to have her!

Brett Tiffen, Assiniboia Composite High School, because he's the GOAT!

Vanessa Pahl is new to the role of Library Associate at **Caronport Elementary School**, and she is doing a fantastic job! Thanks, Vanessa, for everything you are doing to support the love of reading at CES!

Natasha Veeder, Coteau Hills Elementary School: Thank you for loving my boy on the hard days and always trying to get him more comfortable in your classroom. You're an amazing teacher and my boy is lucky to have you!

I appreciate **Melissa Romanow, Learning Department** so much!! She is so knowledgeable and always so helpful.



Student Achievements

We are incredibly proud to celebrate our grade 12 students who have officially signed on to play football at the university level. This achievement reflects years of dedication, both on and off the field.

We are cheering you on as you take this exciting leap into university athletics. We can't wait to see the impact you'll make as scholars, leaders, and teammates.

Congratulations!
Your future is bright and we are so proud of you!



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S U S W NIKE

HUSKIE FOOTBALL

COMMITTED

KAYDEN NIGHTINGALE

CENTRAL COLLEGIATE CYCLONES | RUNNING BACK | MOOSE JAW, SASKATCHEWAN

RAMS

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SIGNED

KARVER GUSA

POSITION: TE
HEIGHT: 6'4" WEIGHT: 205 lbs
PREVIOUS TEAM: CENTRAL COLLEGIATE
HOMETOWN: MOOSE JAW, SK
FACULTY: EDUCATION/KINESIOLOGY

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KEATON BELSHER

CENTRAL COLLEGIATE CYCLONES | RECEIVER | MOOSE JAW, SASKATCHEWAN



BRIERCREST

CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

For 80 years, Briercrest Christian Academy has been providing quality, faith-based education, with supportive teachers, excellent arts and athletics, and an amazing dorm program.



Recently, our boys' volleyball team went to 3A Provincials and brought home our very first provincial gold medal. From our coach, Grant Poettker:

"We had an amazing season, and it was a tremendous privilege to coach these boys. Last season, we really felt that we had a chance to go to Provincials. But when we didn't make it, they truly dedicated themselves to getting better outside of school season. When the team came together in September, I could see that every player had levelled up. Seeing their skill and chemistry on the court and their effort bear such fruit was very gratifying."



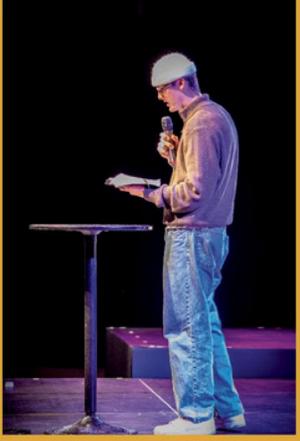
"In the fall, we put on The Wizard of Oz, and we had placed some very young students in lead roles. We had many grade 9s; some had a little theatre experience, others had none. Seeing them grow and having the opportunity to work throughout all of those stages has been so empowering. They have blossomed into understanding their capabilities and walking away from that experience stronger and more engaged in other areas of life".

-Crystal Bachiu, Drama teacher





Our students have many cocurricular and extracurricular opportunities that extend learning and growth beyond the classroom. From sports and arts programs to STEAM and student leadership opportunities, to volunteering to serve our community, we work hard to create spaces where students can succeed in all aspects of their lives.

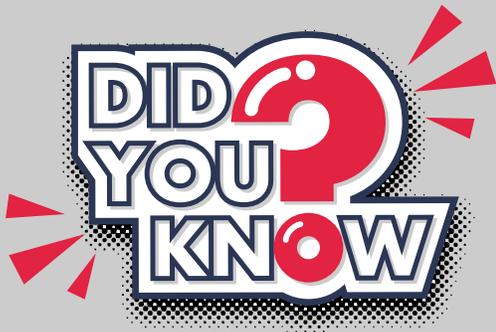


BCA is in partnership with Prairie Hockey Academy, offering students co-curricular opportunities to play hockey at a competitive level while receiving a quality education. PHA is where life champions are developed, and they have created an experience that fosters growth and development in young student-athletes who will become tomorrow's leaders. We believe in teaching GRIT. Grace - For yourself first, then for others. Respect - For all people and things in our care. Integrity - Doing what you say you're going to do. Toughness - We attack challenges and obstacles with passion and determination.



BCA is also introducing our new Online School, where students can earn their provincial diploma while enjoying the freedom to learn at their own pace, from anywhere. Our caring teachers and staff are here to support and guide our students every step of the way, helping them succeed academically and feel confident in their journey. The 2025-26 school year has been our pilot year for this program, and we will launch a full curriculum for Grades 10-12 in Fall 2026.





HOOPLA 2026 IS ALMOST HERE!

From March 26-28, the best high school basketball teams in Saskatchewan will hit the courts in Moose Jaw and we can't wait to cheer them on!

Our athletes, coaches, officials, and volunteers have been putting in the work all season, and now it's time to bring that energy to the provincial stage. Whether you are in the stands, or watching online, let's show the province what community spirit looks like!

Upcoming Events

- March 3: Regular Board Meeting
- March 6: Prep/LIT Day (No School for Students)
- March 11: Prek Applications/Kindergarten Registration Open
- March 12: High School Tours in Moose Jaw
- March 17: St. Patrick's Day
- March 24: Board Planning Meeting
- March 26-28: Hoopla in Moose Jaw



**We would
love to hear
from you!**

Do you have any stories or ideas to share? Please email your submission today!



Central Butte School



Avonlea School



Rouleau School



Craik School



Coteau Hills Elementary School



Riverview Collegiate