

# Career News

# News and General Information

## FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS: NEW STUFF

• Stay up to date daily with all career-related information, join the Prairie South Career Google Classroom. This is for students, parents, teachers, or anyone who wants up to the minute info about all things career. Get all kinds of information from post-secondary institutions, open houses, how to navigate that new transcript request system, scholarships, webinars, presentations, how to write resumes, apply for jobs, and much more, all sent

right to your device. If you have not signed up yet, you are missing out on a whole lot of valuable information. Sign up today.

- HURRY HARD. Remember that most of Sask.
  Polytechnic's programs are <u>First Qualified</u>, <u>First Admitted (FQFA)</u> which means first come, first served, when you meet the minimum requirements. For current grade 12s, for many programs, the first opportunity to apply is Sept. 1, 2025. If you wait, the course may be full. Here is an application guide to assist you
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    Check out the great opportunities in health care from the Sask. Cancer Agency. There is a very informative fall career fair on Oct. 25 in Regina at the Allan Blair Cancer Centre in the Pasqua Hospital. Come learn about rewarding careers in pharmacy,
- Students 16-18 who are interested in volunteering in the health care field, consider the Volunteen Program where you would go into hospitals and health centres to spend time with patients and help health care professionals. Contact <u>John Paul Hickie</u> (306-630-7405).

Code on the poster to the right for more information.

radiation therapy and nursing (just to name a few). Scan the QR

- The U of S Counsellor Day is on Oct. 2 Here is the <u>registration</u> <u>link</u>. There will also be a virtual counsellor session on Oct. 9.
   <u>Register here.</u>
- U of S applications for direct-entry programs for the 2026-2027 academic year open on Friday, Sept. 19, and the first admission offers will start coming out soon after.





- Updates to be aware of for 2026-2027 U of S applications:
  - Engineering degree programs are returning to competitive ranking-based admission with an early admission deadline of Dec. 1 and regular admission deadline of Feb. 15.
  - o The application deadline for Music and Music Education programs is now Feb. 15.
- The University of Regina's <u>Fall Open House</u> will be Friday, Oct. 17, 9:00-4:30. There will be sessions hosted by every faculty at the U of R, sessions specifically for parents, campus and housing tours, a campus expo of U of R departments and supports for students, and more.
- You can also pay half price admission for the U of R and be admitted on the spot by <u>applying online</u> from Oct. 7-14. Register for the Fall Open House to receive your 50% off coupon code. Or you can apply in person at the open house on Oct. 17, if you bring a current high school transcript signed by your principal/counsellor.
- Are you taking training for a trade for your post-secondary or are you entering the workforce in a trade? If so, you have only a short time to complete your <u>Sask. Youth Apprenticeship Challenges</u>. Doing SYA allows you to acquire 300 hours of trade time, free level 1 technical training (potentially saving nearly \$900), free registration (\$250 savings), and a shot at one of the 100 scholarships worth \$1000 across the province.
- <u>RDIEC</u> is hosting several upcoming in-person and virtual events including: <u>THINK AG in Action</u>, Oct 16; <u>THINK Tourism</u>, Oct. 22; <u>THINK Entrepreneurship</u>, Oct 28; <u>THINK Mining</u>, Nov. 6; <u>Regina Police Spotlight</u>, Nov. 20. Go to the <u>RDIEC</u> website to register or click on links above.
- Before someone from a university or technical school comes by your high school, have a look at these <u>tips</u>
   to prepare for post-secondary representatives.
- Discover Year, a purposeful gap year, is holding a virtual <u>Info Session</u> on Oct. 14. Other info sessions will be held Jan. 22, Mar. 10, and May 12.

## FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS FROM PREVIOUS ISSUES: OLD STUFF

If you have any type of disability and you plan to attend post-secondary in the fall, contact the
 <u>Saskpolytech Accessibility Services</u> or <u>U of R Accommodations</u> or <u>U of S Access and Equity</u>
 <u>Services</u>.



- Looking for scholarships? Check out the <u>Scholarship Library from mycampusgps.ca</u>. It's a paid service, but you can acquire great information to be able to be well-prepared in grade 11 to apply for scholarships in grade 12.
- <u>Bridge To Campus</u> is a new organization dedicated to helping students in rural communities access resources when applying to university and experience a seamless transition into university by setting up students with webinars and 1:1 mentoring. Although they are based in McGill, they will help all students. Students, parents, and teachers are welcome to contact them, and all services are FREE.
- If what you're doing to help you figure out some career possibilities just doesn't seem to be working, you can have a look at a <u>Career Assessment</u> from Ken Coleman. It provides you with several assessments to lead you to understand your talents, passion, mission, and vision, as well as some practical options for potential industries and occupations that could be in your wheelhouse.
- Learn about education lines of credit, scholarships and bursaries, Can/Sask. Student Loans, First Nations and Metis Band Funding, and other post-secondary funding at the <a href="RDIEC">RDIEC</a> event: Parents as Career Coaches: Funding your Child's Education.
- Keep up to date on the RDIEC YouTube Channel for all the newest virtual spotlights.

- Interested in health sciences? Saskatchewan has agreements with post-secondary institutions in other
  provinces to reserve seats for eligible Saskatchewan residents in specific health training programs not
  offered here. The programs include Respiratory Therapy, Nuclear Medicine, Diagnostic Medical
  Sonography (Ultrasound), Occupational Therapy, Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Cardiovascular
  Perfusion, Electroneurophysiology, and Prosthetics and Orthotics are offered in Alberta and BC schools.
- Have a look at the <u>Health Science Fact Sheet</u> for more information on health programs in and outside the province. Check out the expansion of the <u>Health Training Program Opportunities</u>.
- Unsure of what you wish to do after grade 12? Consider <u>Discover Year</u>, an innovative one-year life skills program that helps young adults better understand what they want and build the skills they need to go out and get it. Students learn a variety of skills and have experiences that prepare them for life after their gap year, whether that be the workforce or a post-secondary program. They get to travel, plan and do community service projects, do teamwork activities, and more. Application deadline for Discover Year is Aug 15 yearly. <u>Apply here.</u>
- Or check out <u>The Canadian Gap Year Association</u> for different options for a gap year after grade 12. Instead of an in-person year of activities, this organization has **several specific programs**.
- <u>Stepabroad</u> is another option for a gap year. It's advertised as a working holiday. Destinations include Australia, Japan, New Zealand, United Kingdom, Spain, South Korea, and France, and the duration is anywhere from one month to three years, depending on the location. They assist students with acquiring work visas and all the red tape. This program is in conjunction with the Federal Government's Internation Experience Canada (IEC) Program. Other countries also offer the option of a working holiday. See the full list here.

## **ORDERING TRANSCRIPTS:**

# **NEW MyCreds TRANSCRIPT REQUEST PROCESS: is as follows:**

1. Submit your PERSONAL email (non-school, non-parent) that you will use after grade 12 to your administrator or admin assistant in the office. From there they will submit your email address to MSS and then connect that email you provided with MyCreds. This may take a day or two.



- 2. Go to this website: High School or Adult 12 Transcripts
- 3. Once you have clicked the button you will be taken to a screen that will require you to fill out your information. This will also include a section where you will need to provide a picture of your photo ID, as well as a picture (selfie) of you with your photo ID included (right next to your face). After submitting all the information, you should receive an email within a few days letting you know that you're setup to access MyCreds and begin sharing your transcripts with post-secondary institutions.
- 4. Each share of your transcripts will cost \$15.00 per institution.

More information in links below:

- a. MyCreds Homepage
- b. MyCreds How-To Videos
- c. MyCreds FAQs

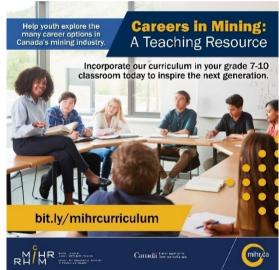
## FOR CWEX, CAREER ED., PAA TEACHERS, CAREER COUNSELLORS: NEW STUFF

- Counsellors and principals, there is a 16 minute video <u>recording of presentation of MyCreds</u> <u>transcript process</u> overview.
- Do you teach CWEX or career Ed 6-9? Are you a career or guidance counsellor? If you have anything to do with anything career-related, you should join SCWEA, the Saskatchewan Career and Work Education Association. It is one of the Professional Growth Networks (PGN) of the STF. Contact Kerrie Binetruy or Amanda Ross to register. You can also join in to the SCWEA Career Connection Conversations on the first Tuesday each month at 4:00 pm, via Teams. This allows you to learn about numerous career-related topics. Be on the lookout for new ones coming your way soon.
- WorkSafe Saskatchewan provides residents of Saskatchewan with free, online health and safety education certification. This is a great opportunity to include in your resume when applying for a job. Courses include Bullying in the Workplace, Hazard Identification, Mental Health, Violence in the Workplace, WHMIS, and many others. Course descriptions are available. Once you go through the registration, and declare yourself as a Saskatchewan resident, your total cost will be zero dollars. You can then begin taking the courses you chose.
- Are you teaching anything to do with mining? Developing the next generation of workers is essential for the sustainability and growth of the Canadian mining sector. As such, the Mining Industry Human Resources Council (MiHR) offers a comprehensive and free educational curriculum package designed to introduce students in grades 7 to 10 to the exciting world of mining, and a Career Ambassador program to promote mining careers to youth through speaking engagements by industry experts. Both programs are

based on MiHR's successful *Mining Needs You* career awareness platform.

## **Our Curriculum offers:**

- Real-World Connections: Students learn how cutting-edge technology and everyday items like phones, tablets, and smoke detectors rely on mined materials, making learning relevant and engaging for students.
- Interactive Lessons: Our curriculum includes 12 unique lesson plans with hands-on activities and interactive themes that bring the mining industry to life.
- Curriculum Alignment: Each lesson is designed to align with provincial curriculum standards, ensuring that your teaching meets educational requirements.
- Focus on Sustainability: Teach students about the mining sector's critical role in the transition to a clean economy, emphasizing safety, environmental consciousness, and cutting-edge technology.



## How to Get Started:

- Download the Curriculum: Visit our Educational Curriculum webpage to request your free digital copy of the Careers in Mining: A Teaching Resource.
- Incorporate into Your Lessons: Use our ready-made lesson plans to seamlessly integrate mining topics into your existing curriculum.
- Engage Your Students: Inspire your students with realworld applications and exciting career opportunities in the mining industry. You may also request a speaking engagement to be arranged with one of our volunteer Career Ambassadors.
- Enhance your Student's Learning Experience with Our Career Ambassador Program. Industry experts are available to speak with young people to highlight mining career opportunities and the sector's commitment to sustainability, social responsibility, and innovation. Our volunteer ambassadors are enthusiastic about raising



awareness of the exciting careers in mining. Request a Career Ambassador for an in-person or virtual presentation today by clicking <a href="here">here</a> or the <a href="Career Ambassador Program webpage">Career Ambassador Program webpage</a>.

# FOR CWEX, CAREER ED., CAREER COUNSELLORS: OLD STUFF

Sakatchewan Government for those ages 14 and 15 only. Participants who enroll in Career Safety Education will be given sequential access to the following programs: New Worker Readiness, Mental Health Resiliency, WHMIS, Hearing Protection, Industry Elective(s) of choice. Once enrolled, Career Safety Education is an automated process whereby each course can only be accessed after the pre-requisite, or previous course, is completed. This makes the system much more efficient than previous versions. If your curriculum requires the completion of Young Workers Readiness, that is a separate requirement from our program and not related. If you prefer that your students take only a specific industry course(s), and not participate in the system as defined above, we can modify their registrations to allow different access, however some courses such as SCOT and WAVE would no longer be available to them.

There are **2 pathways** schools can choose to participate in our free training:

- Career Safety Education Guided Pathway This is a hands-off system that allows students to take 1 course at a time in a specific order to help build their knowledge at each step. They take New Worker Readiness, Mental Health Resiliency, WHMIS, Hearing Protection and lastly, an industry elective. This ensures the learner is building the knowledge at each step that can be used to help understand the next course content. (Note: New Worker Readiness is not the same as YWRCC offered by the Government of Saskatchewan, New Workers Readiness provides significantly more detail in understanding risk and safety within first jobs. YWRCC is a legal requirement for those aged 14 or 15 at the time of employment). To register for the Career Safety Education, complete the profile request form here.
- Self-Learning Pathway The learner is given access to all the free training, allowing them to pick and choose what courses to take based on what they need. This pathway is recommended for those that already have a foundational knowledge of workplace safety, risks, hazards, and control measures so they can comprehend the material in the courses. It is also the one used if you only want a single course or access to courses in a different sequence than is recommended. For all-access to the programs in the self-learning pathway, complete the profile request found <a href="https://example.com/here.">here.</a>

## What teachers responsible for young workers need to know:

- Commonly Confused Young Workers Readiness Course & Career Safety Education
- Young Workers' Readiness Course is a single course that is required to work in Saskatchewan for those aged 14 and 15 only.
- **Career Safety Education** is a series of voluntary training courses designed to prepare new workers at all ages for employment in Saskatchewan.
- Keep up to date on the RDIEC YouTube Channel for all the newest virtual spotlights.
- Anyone teaching Career and Work Exploration (CWEX) please contact <u>Jeff Feeley</u> for CWEX employer folders, certificate frames, gifts, CWEX binder, or anything else related to CWEX. Or if you are new to teaching CWEX, please contact him to learn more about running the course. CWEX calendars are ready to go on <u>Connect</u>.

## **APPRENTICESHIP AND TRADES INFO: NEW STUFF**

- Sask. Youth Apprenticeship (SYA) is now listed as an approved Implementation Resource by the
  Ministry of Education for a wide range of Practical and Applied Arts (PAA) courses. This means
  SYA can be used directly to help meet curriculum outcomes in classes such as Construction,
  Automotive, Welding, Electrical, Career and Work Exploration, and more without adding extra work for
  teachers. The full list of applicable courses and the official resource listing can be found here.
- Sask. Apprenticeship's SYA Program Development Specialist is <u>Alora Heinrichs</u> (306-227-7801). Contact Alora for information on career fairs and SUTIL inquiries. In the south of the province, contact <u>Morgan Waldo</u> (306-527-1730). She is the SYA Program Consultant in the Regina office, and she coordinates SYA presentation requests in the south half of the province, VR presentation requests, and MyATC assistance.
- If you wish to book a presentation from Sask. Apprenticeship, contact the main office (306-787-2444) in the Regina office. Three presentations are available:
  - Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship (SYA) (overview of skilled trades, apprenticeship process, and educates students on SYA—45 minutes)
  - Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship and Virtual Reality (condensed overview of skilled trades, apprenticeship process, and educates students on SYA, followed by the opportunity for students to try out a trade using VR technology—3 hours)
  - Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship and MyATC Registration (overview of skilled trades, apprenticeship process, and educates students on SYA, followed with a student registration walkthrough of MyATC—60 minutes)
- What is Apprenticeship Brochure can provide information for those interested in apprenticeship trades.
- <u>Entrance Requirements-for-Apprenticeship Training</u> explains the high school grades and classes required to apprentice in each specific trade.
- <u>Journey through Apprenticeship</u> explains the process involved in becoming a journeyperson and the difference in getting there via direct apprenticeship versus pre-employment.
- All SYA Champions and SYA Participants will need to have a MyATC account. New students are registered through MyATC. SYA Champions can approve youth apprentice registrations, and request and access completion certificates. SYA Participants can view levels completed and print their completion certificates and will use MyATC to apply for apprenticeship when they are ready. If you were registered with us as a school before January 10, 2022, you will have a code that you will use to register. Your code will never expire and can be used to set up multiple SYA Champs. If you've lost your code or you are a brand new school please contact us at youthapprenticeship@gov.sk.ca.
- A guide to explain how to get registered for MyATC can be found <a href="here">here</a>. If you have questions, contact Sask. Youth Apprenticeship at <a href="youthapprenticeship@gov.sk.ca">you can find MyATC here</a>.
- <u>Free WHMIS Training</u> is available through the Sask. Safety Council. Login to our <u>Learning Management System</u> and check out the other free programs listed below.
   <u>Fall Protection</u>, <u>Ground Disturbance</u>, <u>Hearing Protection</u>, <u>Mental Health Wellness Resiliency</u>, <u>New Worker Readiness</u>, <u>Respiratory Protection</u>, <u>Retail Safety Training</u>, <u>Safe Gravel Travel</u>, <u>Safe Trailering</u>

## **RCMP INFO: NEW STUFF**

• Interested in the RCMP? Attending one of their many in person or virtual <u>recruiting events</u> held throughout the year is one the steps towards becoming a member. Options include 15-minute talks to get the chance to talk with an RCMP recruiter, and one-hour virtual career presentations, some with an Indigenous focus, some with a female focus, and some for anyone to see if the RCMP is potentially for you.

## **MYBLUEPRINT INFO: NEW STUFF**

## Monthly info and updates:

This month, we're diving into self-awareness—the next piece of the puzzle in career and life
planning. When students explore their strengths, interests, and values, they build the compass
that guides intentional choices about their futures. Take a moment to review the October Newsletter and
share it with your school community. October Monthly Objectives: Knowing Yourself, Finding Your Path

## Reminders & Updates

- Have you explored myBlueprint's new <u>Industry Immersion Series</u> yet? Each month, students will have the opportunity to complete an industry-sponsored skill-building and/or career awareness activity, for a chance to earn one of twenty monthly \$500 micro grants. That's \$10,000 in student giveaways EACH month. And some incentives for educators too:) October's challenge is being sponsored by the mining industry in an effort to help young people learn about all of the in-demand, diverse, and well-paying careers available to Canadians nationally. It goes live on October 1st, but you can check it out here. Students can access this from their student account.
- myBlueprint Facebook Community: Connect, Collaborate & Stay Up-to-Date
- Connect your colleagues with a dedicated space to discover ready-to-use resources, stay updated on the
  latest shifts in education, exchange ideas with peers, and learn how others across the country are
  supporting student success and future-readiness. <u>Join the Community</u>
- Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or ideas regarding resources or implementation! For technical support, please contact <u>support@myblueprint.ca</u> for a speedy response.

## **MYBLUEPRINT INFO: OLD STUFF**

- Here are some great resources to start the year.
  - Getting Started Guide for Teachers
  - Getting Started Guide for Students
  - Creating Class Activities Package
  - Goal Setting Activity
- Explore the complete list of available myBlueprint Drop-In Webinars by clicking <a href="https://example.com/here.">here.</a> Can't make it to a Drop-In Webinar but are eager to learn? Check out our pre-recorded webinars in our <a href="https://example.com/yideo/biprary">Video Library</a>.



## **CHATTERHIGH INFO: OLD STUFF**

## Why Educators Use ChatterHigh

- Curriculum-aligned content for grades 6–12 See our new Curriculum Connections chart.
- Self-marking platform to save teachers time
- Builds essential life skills in career exploration, financial literacy, mental health, and now Al literacy
- In-class presentations and platform demos available to help kickstart use
- Engaging competitions that motivate students with real prizes

ChatterHigh is featured on the Saskatchewan DLC Resource Bank.

We invite you to book a meeting for an introduction demo to get started this semester.

**New to ChatterHigh?** It is a gamified content engagement platform to help students prepare for life after high school. **Learn More**.

# List of ChatterHigh Activities for Fall 2025-2026 School Year

## **Competitions - Semester 1**

- September 2nd October 15th: <u>Learn About Your Taxes Competition</u> \$5,000 (with the Canada Revenue Agency)
- September 2nd October 15th: Money Management Competition \$7,000 (with the Financial Consumer Agency of Canada)
- October 27th December 5th: <u>Let's Talk Careers Competition</u> (with Let's Talk Science, Skills Canada, NGen, Quantum AI, and NAV CANADA) \$50,000 prize pot for this Fall's competition!
- Stay up to date with competitions throughout the school year here.

# **User-ready Lessons and Career Portfolio Certifications:**

## AI & Digital Literacy

- Adventure into Artificial Intelligence (New)
- Connect to Careers in AI \*Coming September 2025
- Al for Educators: Foundations, Applications and Classroom Activities (New)
- <u>Keep Canada Safe! Discover Careers in Cyber Security</u> by Communications Security Establishment

## **Financial Literacy**

- <u>Learn About Your Taxes Courses</u> by the Canada Revenue Agency
- Insurance Literacy and Me by the Insurance Institute
- Money Management Courses by the Financial Consumer Agency of Canada

## Health, Wellness & Safety

- Mental Health and Wellness
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Mental Health Disorders and Substance Use

## **Science & Environment**

• Embracing Nature's Climate Solutions by Environment and Climate Change Canada (New)

## **Career Readiness Exploration**

- Saskatchewan Agriculture Industry Pathways with SaskPork (New)
- Quantum in Canada, Careers and Pathways of the Future by the Quantum Algorithm Institute
- Automotive & RV Industry Pathways
- Work and Travel Abroad with International Experience Canada
- Connect to Careers in Air Traffic Services by NAV CANADA
- Careers of the Future: Advanced Manufacturing by Next Generation Manufacturing
- Insurance Career Connections
- <u>Keep Canada Safe! Discover Careers in Cyber Security</u> by the Communications Security Establishment

Stay up to date with our course library here.



## **MYBLUEPRINT INFO: NEW STUFF**

- Teachers new to CWEX or Career Education and wish to use myBlueprint should contact <u>Jeff</u>
   <u>Feeley</u> to get set up. Then, go to the Prairie South website (Students, Career Planning,
   myBlueprint, ChatterHigh, Career Planning Apps, Student sign up instructions for myBlueprint)
- Teachers should check out the free <a href="myBlueprint">myBlueprint</a> wide variety of topics to help you and your students get more out of <a href="myBlueprint">myBlueprint</a>.
- Or have a look at the slide shows to help you help your students.
   <u>Vision Board Lesson Plan & Slideshow</u> to help students visualize their goals and dreams.
   A Forwards & Backwards Planning Slideshow to guide students in preparing for their future.

# CAREER AND WORK EXPLORATION (CWEX) INFO: OLD STUFF

- The <u>Saskatchewan Federation of Labour</u> offers 1 ½ -2-hour virtual presentations of the Ready for Work Program. If you are teaching CWEX and want to set up a presentation, please contact <u>Janelle Gerard</u> (306-924-8301).
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- New to CWEX or Career Education 6-9? Try these resources. Check out the <u>Career Planning</u> section of the Prairie South site for login instructions for both myBlueprint and ChatterHigh
- a. <u>ChatterHigh</u> is a gamified content engagement platform to help students prepare for life after high school.
- b. <u>myBlueprint</u> is a great resource for students and teachers to learn about all things career. <u>myBlueprint</u> <u>Support</u> is a great resource for teachers to access assignments, webinars, videos, and other resources for both teachers and students. Teachers, contact <u>Jeff Feeley</u> to get registered with myBlueprint and access these great resources.

## MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION: OLD STUFF

Have a look at the great information from the <u>Saskatchewan Mining Association</u>, including <u>career posters</u> in the mining industry. As well, check out the reference materials (also available in French), potash kits, lesson plans, career videos about a variety of career possibilities and other great information about the mining industry in Saskatchewan and across the country.



- If you are interested in a presentation for students from Service Canada for things like Social Insurance Number clinics, Student Loans, Apprenticeship Loans and Grants, financial literacy, and career planning in general, contact Sylvie Gauthier (639-538-2738).
- VR 4 Careers in SK Virtual Reality is led by the <u>Regina Work Prep Centre</u>. If you wish to have them come
  to your school to present and have students try out the virtual reality options including mining machine,
  electrician, welder, heavy equipment operator, HVAC tech, robotics tech, mining engineer, and process
  engineer. Contact <u>Eric Milos</u> to book them for your school.
- Teachers and Career Counsellors, try out <u>Wayfinder</u>, a collection of over 300 reflective practice resources to enhance career development with experiential learning.

## **SAFETY INFO: OLD STUFF**

• Check the <u>Events Calendar</u> of the Safety Council for upcoming safety training sessions on a variety topics including skid steer operator, power machine operator, fall protection, forklift, aerial work platform, and hazard recognition. There are also courses for personal interests and activities such as motorcycle rider training, defensive driving, ATV safety.



 Attention grade 9 teachers. RDIEC has organized a video safety series which Grade 9 students and teachers can access by clicking <u>Grade 9 Safety Fair Videos</u>. This series will include videos from the Safety Councils below, totalling approximately 2 hours of viewing time. Teachers can access videos individually so they can incorporate each message into lessons according to their timeline.

Work Safe Saskatchewan Sask. Safety Association
Motor Safety Association SGI – Young Drivers

**Energy Safety Canada** 

Service Hospitality

Sask. Construction Safety Association

# **Post- Secondary Information**

## **OLDS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY: NEW STUFF**

• Open House 2025 Oct. 3 and 4. Register as a school or individual.



- Take a Virtual Campus Tour here.
- Future student advising sessions are available as well. Book now.

## **UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN: NEW STUFF**

• The U of S Counsellor Day is on Oct. 2 – Here is the <u>registration link</u>. There will also be a virtual counsellor session on Oct. 9. <u>Register here.</u>



- Applications are now open for U of S programs. Check on <u>Requirements and deadlines</u> to stay on top of what you need to know and when you must submit your applications.
- Dec. 1 is the deadline to apply and submit documents for early admission for the 2026 Fall Term (September) to:

**Education** 

**Engineering** 

**Kinesiology** 

**Kinesiology/Education Combined Program** 

- Dec 1 is also the deadline to apply for admission to be eligible to apply for <u>Best and Brightest Entrance</u>
   <u>Scholarships</u> and <u>Circle of Honour Awards</u>
- Dec 15 is the deadline to apply for <u>Best and Brightest Entrance Scholarships</u> and <u>Circle of Honour Awards</u>.

- Check out the information session in Regina at the Regina Public Library-Sunrise Branch on Oct 7<sup>th</sup> from 6
  PM to 8 PM. If you are considering the University of Saskatchewan, we will have some Student
  Recruitment staff to provide an information session and to answer any questions that students and
  families may have. Registration link here. Snacks and refreshments will be provided.
- Updates to be aware of for 2026-2027 applications:
  - o Engineering degree programs are returning to competitive ranking-based admission with an early admission deadline of Dec. 1 and regular admission deadline of Feb. 15
  - o The application deadline for Music and Music Education programs is now Feb. 15
- In early November, <u>USask Residence</u> applications open for the 2026-2027 Fall and Winter Terms (September-January).
- Chat with USask: Online Wednesdays (6-8 pm) and Fridays (9-11 am and 1-3 pm)
- Residence info session: Online Tuesday, Nov. 4 from 6-7 pm
- Scholarship info session: Online Thursday, Nov. 6 from 6-7 pm
- Students interested in careers in Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy or Speech-Language Pathology, should explore the programs offered by USask's School of Rehabilitation Science.
- A special information session on the Dental Assisting Program will be held via Zoom on Thursday, Oct. 16 at 5 pm CST. Attendees will learn, admission requirements, program length and structure, tuition and costs, career opportunities after graduation. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions.
   Applications for Fall 2026 intake for the Dental Assisting Program close November 1. Register here.

## UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN: OLD STUFF

- Interested in business? Consider <u>studying abroad</u> to give you an international experience while in university.
- The After (Business) School Special is a podcast about what business professionals, industry leaders, entrepreneurs, and more have learned since finishing their business degree. Each episode welcomes an Edwards alumnus to discuss the stories, key learnings, and insights they've gained throughout their professional career.
- <u>Chat with USask</u> are 20-minute appointments with university representatives from 6:00-8:00 on Wednesdays and 1:00-3:00 on Fridays. Ask questions about admission requirements, scholarships, residence, or anything else university related.
- The <u>College of Agriculture and Bioresources</u> is excited to announce a new admission pathway for the <u>Indigenous Lands Governance</u> and <u>Indigenous Resource Management</u> diplomas.
  Students can now enter the diplomas in the Kanawayihetaytan Askiy program directly from high school. Previously, the two diplomas required completion of the <u>Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Certificate</u> for admission. Both diplomas prepare students for leadership roles in local, provincial and national settings. More info is available in this <u>article</u> and <u>video</u>. There is also a <u>downloadable display screen</u> you can use with your schools. Questions? Contact <u>agbio.studentservices@usask.ca</u>.
- <u>Learning Communities at Edwards School of Business</u> will help students be more successful in their first
  year by building community and meeting new people, getting to know the campus, and developing skills
  to succeed as a university student. Check out the <u>Counsellor Resources</u> for more info to help students.
- Teachers and counsellors who wish to book a tour for your class, may do so by contacting **Admissions**.
- <u>Campus tours</u> are on. <u>Click here</u> to book 90 minute in-person tours conducted by current students who can tell you what life is like at the U of S. You can also book group or guided online tours. There are also tours of residences and colleges.

- Are you interested in how bodies work at the cellular level and how to apply this knowledge in health
  care for patients? Did you know there are five biomedical science degree programs? <u>Click here for more</u>
  information.
- Interested in the Edwards School of Business?
  - Take a <u>virtual tour</u> for a good look at where you may attend school.
  - Have a chat with an advisor, current student, or alum.
  - Counsellors, contact <u>Brayden Glynn</u> for a classroom presentation to learn of the opportunities available at Edwards.
- <u>Counsellors and Agents' Hub</u> provides information for teachers and counsellors about admissions, upcoming events, promotional materials, advising guide, resources for students, sign up to receive emails and updates, and much more.
- <u>Drop-in Q and A Wednesdays</u> are held for students interested in applying to undergraduate programs in Ag. And Bioresources, Arts and Science, Education, Engineering, and Business.
- The U of S <u>Calendar of upcoming events</u> includes all the events in which the university will be participating in the upcoming months.

## **MOUNT ROYAL UNIVERSITY: OLD STUFF**

- Students are encouraged to apply for more than one program at no extra cost. They strongly recommend adding a backup program, such as an <u>alternative entrance option</u>.
- <u>Guidance Counsellors & Educators</u> can schedule admissions and recruitment specialist services. Book sessions where students can learn about the programs best suited to them and their personality, as well as learn about admission requirements and application process.



## **UNIVERSITY OF REGINA: NEW STUFF**

- Luther College Info Night will be Oct. 14, 7:00 PM until 8:30 PM.
  - Meet professors, current students, and support staff and hear about their experiences
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- Learn about Luther College and its advantages within the University of Regina
- Explore programs in Arts, Science, Media, Art & Performance, and pre-professional pathways (e.g., Medicine, Law, Pharmacy, Optometry, Veterinary Medicine)
- o Ask questions and connect in a friendly, welcoming environment
- o Tour Luther College and The Student Village Residence (optional)
- You are invited to the <u>Fall Open House at the University of Regina</u> -our biggest in-person event for future students.

**Date**: Friday, October 17, 2025 **Time**: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Location**: University of Regina, Centre for Kinesiology, Health and Sport

This event is a fantastic way for your Grade 12 students to explore programs, connect with faculty, and get a true sense of life as a U of R student. Attend and take advantage of the many opportunities available throughout the day, including:

- o **Admission on the Spot:** Students can apply for admission with a reduced application fee and receive their admission decision the same day (see details below).
- o **Faculty sessions:** Learn about our programs directly from professors and instructors.
- o Campus & housing tours: Guided tours to explore our classrooms, labs, and residences.
- o **Student life activities:** Social Media Scavenger Hunt, Sticker Safari, UR Selfie Booth, friendship bracelet making, and more.

- As part of Fall Open House, students can apply to the University of Regina for a **reduced application fee** and be **admitted on the spot**. Here's how:
  - o **Option One:** Apply online from Oct. 1-10 for \$50 and pick up your application decision during Fall Open House. Register for Fall Open House to receive your 50% off coupon code.
  - Option Two: Apply in person during Fall Open House for \$50 and receive your application decision on the spot. Bring a current high school transcript and class schedule to receive an admission decision on the spot.
- **Eligibility:** All current Grade 12 students are eligible for Admission on the Spot for most U of R programs (except for Indigenous Education and Bachelor of Science in Nursing, which have additional admission requirements). Students may still apply to a second-choice program to take advantage of the discounted application fee. **Register Here for Fall Open House**.
- The <u>Guidance Counsellor Update</u> will be held on campus at La Cite and virtually on Oct. 3 from 8:30-3:30. Make sure you register.
- Check out the U of R's Information Info Night for Indigenous Students to learn more about the university and the programs offered. This is a virtual event on Oct. 1, 6:00-7:30. Register here.
- Interested in residence? Learn more about applying at the <u>U of R Housing Application Workshop</u>, Nov. 5 from 6:00 to 7:30.

## **UNIVERSITY OF REGINA: OLD STUFF**

• Tuition Reimbursement Award: Students who are considering pursuing their undergraduate degree at the University of Regina may be eligible for the Tuition Reimbursement Award. The award covers the tuition for high school accelerated courses when students attend U of R after high school graduation. To view the eligibility criteria, please click here.



- If you wish to pursue a professional program at another university, consider taking pre-professional
  courses at the U of R. Take one to four years of university before applying to a professional program in
  agriculture and bioresources, chiropractic medicine, dentistry, law, nutrition, occupational therapy,
  optometry, pharmacy, physical therapy, radiation therapy, or veterinary medicine. Check out <a href="Pre-professional Studies">Pre-professional Studies</a> and meet with an academic advisor to plan your first year.
- <u>Journalism is back at the U of R</u>. If you are interested this undergraduate degree—Bachelor of Arts in Journalism, News Media, and Communication, click here for more information.
- Ever heard of a Federated College? Situated on the main U of R campus, <u>Luther College</u>, <u>First Nations University of Canada</u>, and <u>Campion College</u> provide students with a unique and supportive community. Choosing to enrol through a Federated College not only grants students all the advantages of being a U of R student but also provides access to extra benefits, including additional support services, personalized one-on-one academic advising, smaller class sizes, and opportunities to apply for additional scholarships and bursaries.
- If you are a parent or guardian of a potential U of R student, sign up for the **Parent Newsletter** here.
- Take the New and Improved Virtual Campus Tour.
- The U of R has a bunch of materials for viewing and/or printing <a href="here">here</a>. From admission and parent info to stuff for counsellors and specific one- or two-page documents that explain programs within each faculty, there is a wealth of good info available.
- Check out the <u>Centre for Experiential and Service Learning</u>. It allows you the opportunity for handson learning in and out of the classroom, credit for hands-on learning as part of your program,
  potentially paid co-op work terms, student-run volunteer centre to help you find more service
  opportunities in the community, training before you volunteer to provide confidence, goal setting and
  self assessments, career guidance, and resume writing and job interview skill building.

- If you are a career counsellor, teacher, or administrator interested in having an in person visit from U of R admissions personnel, the contact person for Prairie South is <u>Yvone Broqueza</u> to book. 306-585-5274.
- The <u>OMA Program</u> is designed to provide first-year Indigenous students with a supportive learning environment. Contact the **ta-tawâw Student Centre** for more information.
- Check out the new engineering program, <u>Energy Systems Engineering</u>. It is closely related to Petroleum, Sustainable Energy, and Energy Transportation and Storage Engineering.
- Prospective students can use this <u>Application Guide</u> to assist in providing information about the application process, admission requirements and application deadlines for each program.
- Students can take many courses in their own communities or from their homes through the <u>Flexible</u>
   Learning Division fall courses.

## SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC: NEW STUFF

- Sask. Poly Open Houses (times are 1:00-3:00 and 6:00-8:00 pm
  - Wednesday, October 8 (Saskatoon)
  - Thursday, October 9 (Prince Albert)
  - o Wednesday, October 15 (Moose Jaw)
  - o Thursday, October 16 (Regina)

Register here for the open house of your choice.

- Apply now. Most of Sask. Polytechnic's 150 programs are <u>First Qualified</u>, <u>First Admitted</u> (<u>FQFA</u>) which means first come, first served, when you meet the minimum requirements. For current grade 12s, for many programs, the first opportunity to apply is Sept. 1, 2025. If you wait, the course may be full. Here is an <u>application guide</u> to assist you.
- New: First Qualified/First Admitted programs may close to new applications once it is filled to capacity and has started a waitlist. Please check the status of the program's application process by visiting the respective program page prior to applying. If you don't receive an offer for the current academic year after being waitlisted, you will be invited to reapply during the reapplication window (September 1 15). Students who choose to do so will retain their original qualification date and maintain their position in the queue (first-choice priority) for the next intake.
- Dual Credit: Students who are already interested in the Business Diploma program can get started and Study Once, Count it Twice. Courses run February 2 June 5, 2026
- Business diploma courses offered:
  - ACCT 122 Intro Financial Accounting 1 (Accounting 10)
  - o BUS 104 Introduction to Business (Entrepreneurship 20)
  - o FIN 100 Personal Finance (Financial Literacy 20)
  - o MGMT 108 Introduction to Sport Management (Introduction to Sport Management 30)

Delivery format: Online self-paced, with instructor available for support. Tuition \$398. Contact Enrolment Services to register at 1-866-467-4278. For more information, visit the Sask. Polytech Dual Credit website or contact <a href="mailto:mj.bsa@saskpolytech.ca">mj.bsa@saskpolytech.ca</a>.





• Are you a female interested in a trade or a tech-based job? Women in Trades and Technology (WITT) provides the chance for you to try out a variety of different trades and tech programs without having to deal with all those boys getting in the way. Electrical and Welding are offered on Nov. 22 and 23 in Moose Jaw. Cost is \$150. Computer Automated Systems, Computer Networking Tech, Plumbing, Machining, and Welding are offered in Regina on Saturdays and Sundays from Nov. 15-30 in Regina. Cost is \$250. For more info or to register, contact



WITT Coordinator, Justine Jacobson, Moose Jaw Campus 306-691-8248

- The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Business Diploma Case Competition will be Nov. 12 in Moose Jaw. In partnership with the *Saskatchewan Rush of Saskatoon Entertainment Group*, we are thrilled to invite grade 9 to 12 students from Prairie South School Division to the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Business Diploma Case Competition. Students will generate ideas for a case scenario related to the business operations of the Saskatchewan Rush and present them to expert judges including Rush personnel. This event is for students and teachers interested in applied learning opportunities related to business, entrepreneurship, communications, sport, and more. Don't miss your chance to have fun, win scholarships and prizes, learn about the Business diploma program and sport and entertainment industry, and experience the polytechnic advantage. The event is free to attend, and lunch is provided. This video is from last year's event. Use this form to register. Contact Stephen Kirzinger for more info.
- When students apply to Saskatchewan Polytechnic, they can now select a second and third-choice program on their application; however, we follow a first-choice priority admission process:
  - First-choice programs are always reviewed and offered first
  - Once we've assessed and made offers to first-choice applicants, we may begin reviewing second and third-choice applications
  - Second and third-choice consideration is not guaranteed and is dependent on seat availability after first-round offers only
  - o Additional choices are only reviewed if a student is ineligible for their first choice or placed on a significant waitlist for their first choice
  - o Tip: If a student is interested in a competitive or quick-to-fill program, we strongly recommend they apply to it as their first choice or submit a separate application for each program they want to be simultaneously considered

## SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC: OLD STUFF

- Check out this **Civil Engineering Video** to learn a little more about this area of engineering.
- Book a Campus Tour to learn more about a potential place you'd like to attend. Many openings exist at all four campuses for in-person campus tours and advising sessions.



- Join a drop-in advising session on Tuesdays and Thursdays to be able to ask questions and talk to people in the know about Sask. Polytech programs.
- You can apply TODAY. Remember that most of Sask. Polytechnic's programs are First Qualified, First Admitted (FQFA) which means first come, first served, when you meet the minimum requirements. For current grade 12s, for many programs, the first opportunity to apply is Sept. 1 of each year. If you wait, the course may be full. Here is an application guide to assist you.
- Undecided about what to do at Sask. Poly? Check out the **Program Explorer**. It takes approximately 10 minutes to complete and provides a list of programs for students to investigate based on answers to questions about their interests, skills, natural talents and values. The results page provides a summary of pogroms which may be a good fit and lets you print, share, or get in touch with advisors for further assistance.
- Supports for Success are available to students to assist in ensuring they do well at Sask. Poly. There are welcome week events, support for new students, and numerous resources for students who may need help in all kinds of areas including wellness, how to be successful in school, career counselling, budgeting, and more.
- If you are interested in acquiring some microcredentials, check out Surge Micro-credentials offered by Sask. Polytechnic. These short courses include offering in business, education, technology, and entrepreneurship. What are microcredentials? These offer certification in a specific job or skill such as small business taxes, Indigenous leadership, or artificial intelligence. Additional micro-credentials are also available.
- Interested in taking some classes part-time? Sign up for Flexible Learning Courses.
- Want to have a look at where you might be going to school? Check out the virtual tours here.

# **SOUTHEAST COLLEGE: OLD STUFF**

With campuses in Weyburn, Estevan, Whitewood and Moosomin, Southeast College can offer a variety of programs including Business Admin. Assistant, Electrician, Early Childhood Education, Welding, Food Services Cook, Hairstylist, Health Care Cook, Heavy Equipment Truck and Transport Tech., Practical Nursing, Industrial Mechanic, Plumbing and Pipefitting, and Continuing Care Assistant. The benefits include small class sizes living closer to home, lower application fee and seat deposit than other places, modern facilities and equipment, lower tuition, and great scholarships. You can also take a general first year of classes from the University of Regina (English, Biology, Sociology, Psychology among others).

## **UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA: NEW STUFF**

• Counsellors, if you are interested in registering for the Virtual Counsellor Update on Oct. 28, you can do so here, and see other counsellor events at uab.ca/counsellor. As well, counsellor@ualberta.ca is the address to use if you have any questions about anything U of A.



- Here are the ways students can continue to connect with the University of Alberta:
- o Explore our digital viewbook
  - o Take a campus tour
  - o Book 1:1 advising
  - Contact our Student Service Centre



# **UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA: OLD STUFF**

What do you want to know? Do you have questions that you would like us to address in an
edition of our E-News? Fill out this form and your topic might be selected for next month's
theme



- Check out all the other counsellor events throughout the year <u>right here</u>.
- October 18 will be the biggest event of the year—Open House. Check out the details and register here.
- Augustana Preview Day: Visit U of A's campus in Camrose on Saturday, October 25 for Preview Day, and
  get to know everything Augustana Campus has to offer. Students can chat with their future professors at
  the faculty fair, tour campus and residence, meet current students, get help with their application and
  more. Registration opens September 15.
- <u>Campus Saint-Jean Application Workshops</u> This year, Campus Saint-Jean (CSJ) will be hosting workshops starting the week of September 22 until December to help students navigate the application process at CSJ.
- <u>Faculty of Engineering's Fem+ Mentorship Program</u>
   Fem+ is a hybrid seven-month program for women, non-binary and 2SLGBTQ+ high school students interested in exploring the possibilities of engineering.
   Students will be mentored one-on-one by a current U of A student in the engineering program, see what university is like and meet other high school students interested in engineering. Apply online or email femprog@ualberta.ca for more details.
- Throughout the year, there are many events and activities that are important to students. Check out the events page for all you need to know.
- Indigenous students can apply <u>for free</u> from Sept. 30-Oct. 9. Indigenous students can access assistance with anything such as application preparation, program selection, funding and sponsorship, and identity documentation by contacting <u>indigenous@ualberta.ca</u> or <u>tip1@ualberta.ca</u>.
- Applications open on Oct. 1. Learn more about how to apply.
- <u>Parents and Supporters E-News and Resources</u> Parents are you looking to get their own set of helpful tips, reminders on important dates and deadlines and more? Subscribe to our <u>Parent & Supporters E-News</u> or to view our <u>Undergraduate Viewbook</u> and <u>Parents & Supporters Handbook</u>.
- Check out counsellor webpage for recently updated resources and helpful info to begin the school year.
- Book campus tours **here**.
- Click on the link to register for a **Prospective Student Advising** session to have questions answered.

## **COLLEGE MATHIEU: OLD STUFF**

 Interested in a bilingual or fully French education? College Mathieu offers several programs in Gravelbourg, Saskatoon, Regina, and online, including business, specialized educational assistant, early childhood education, welding, occupational therapy assistant, physiotherapy assistant, continuing care assistant, practical nursing, and event planning. <u>Click here</u> for a link to the programs.



## **GREAT PLAINS COLLEGE: NEW STUFF**

At the upcoming open houses, the application fee is waived.
 Warman: Thursday, October 18 and Swift Current: Thursday, October 23
 These events are a great opportunity for students to explore programs and experience campus life firsthand.



<u>Great Plains College Warman Campus Open House</u> Great Plains College Swift Current Campus Open House

- The following program changes are happening this year:
   Administrative Assistant is now Administrative Skills
   Program Cancellations: Business Diploma (SC & Warman), Business Certificate (Warman), Production Line Welding, Hospitality Management, Youth Care Worker / Child and Youth Care
- Scholarships are also changing for this year. Students who apply before April 30, 2026, will automatically be considered for an Entrance Scholarship.
  - o 90%+ → \$3,000
  - o 85-89% → \$2,000
  - o 80-84% → \$1,500
  - o 75-79% → \$1,000
  - o 65-74% → \$500

# **GREAT PLAINS COLLEGE: OLD STUFF**

- If you'd like to book a presentation (virtual or in-person) for your school or an individual class, please email <a href="mailto:behere@greatplainscollege.ca">behere@greatplainscollege.ca</a> or call Keely at (306) 741-1049.
- The presentation includes information on programs, courses, application process, awards, and scholarship opportunities at GPC. There are opportunities for students to ask questions and win prizes.
- There are many new Cybersecurity Programs, all available online and at all levels of experience.
- Students can make an appointment for an Advising Session with a GPC student advisor.
- <u>Take a Virtual Tour or Webinar</u> to learn more about the campus or specific programs at GPC. There are numerous archived webinars on a wide variety of topics.

## **UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY: NEW STUFF**

• U of C Virtual Counsellor Update is Oct. 7. \*All sessions will be in local Calgary time (Mountain)

| Session                                    | Timing           | Register   |
|--|------------------|------------|
| Main Session                               | 9 - 11 AM        | Click here |
| First-Timer Session (Bonus)                | 8 - 8:45 AM      | Click here |
| Indigenous Session (Bonus)                 | 8 - 8:45 AM      | Click here |
| International Session (Bonus)              | 8 - 8:45 AM      | Click here |
| Student Financial Support Overview (Bonus) | 11:15 AM - 12 PM | Click here |



- Check out their Future students tours and events to learn more about the university.
- If you are interested in the U of C, have a look at their video for Saskatchewan students.

## **UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY: OLD STUFF**

- Check out the campus by booking a Campus Tour.
- There are two new majors: Bachelor of Science in <a href="Data Science">Data Science</a> and a Bachelor of Science in <a href="Physics Engineering">Physics Engineering</a>.
- <u>Discover UCalgary</u> is the new official app for prospective undergraduate students at the
   University of Calgary. Access our guide for Open House or explore the UCalgary campus with our self guided walking tour. The app can be used on campus or remotely to explore from your home. Within the
   app, you will also find important resources and discounts to enhance the in-person experience for those
   students who wish to explore with us at an upcoming event or campus tour.
- Career counsellors and teachers who wish to learn more about the U of C can <u>click here</u> to sign up and get more information for students.

## ST. PETER'S COLLEGE: OLD STUFF

 Did you know you can take all U of S first-year programs at St. Peter's at Muenster, near Humboldt? Instead of being in a first-year class with 300-500 students in Saskatoon, how about a class of 12? As well, you can stack your U of S scholarships on top of potentially some of the over \$100, 000 available just to St. Peter's students. Consider St. Peter's College. Counsellors, teachers, and principals can book a tour or request information.



## **SOUTHERN ALBERTA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (SAIT): OLD STUFF**

For information about the programs available to students, attend the numerous <u>Information Sessions (sait.ca)</u> being held in the upcoming weeks and months. Also have a look at the many <u>On Demand</u> information sessions archived on the site to allow you to make informed decisions about the program that's right for you.



## **UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE: OLD STUFF**

- ULethbridge Counsellor Resource Guide is updated and available online.
- Take a <u>University of Lethbridge Virtual Tour</u> to learn more about the main campus, Calgary campus, and on-campus housing.



## **MEDICINE HAT COLLEGE: NEW STUFF**

Applications for Fall 2025 will open October 1. Go to <u>Apply Alberta</u>. If students need assistance with finding the right program, they can book an appointment with one of our recruiters by calling the advising desk at 403-529-3819 or through our <u>Online Booking Page</u>.



- Don't miss our <u>Medicine Hat College Brooks Campus Open House</u> on November 5 and <u>Medicine Hat</u>
   <u>College Main Campus Open House</u> November 12. Students can come explore the programs MHC offers, meet future instructors, tour our campus, apply for FREE, and more.
- Counsellors can schedule a presentation for grade 11 and/or grade 12 students. Contact <u>Justine Panchuk.</u>
- Counsellors, if you have questions related to admissions, call the admissions hotline at 403-529-3827.

# SASKATCHEWAN REGIONAL AND CAREER/VOCATIONAL COLLEGES: OLD STUFF <u>OTHER POST-</u> SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS IN SASKATCHEWAN

# **CAREER COLLEGES**

<u>Career Colleges</u> also known as private vocational schools, offer over 160 vocational training
programs in Saskatchewan to prepare students for employment in a specific occupation such as business,
health services, fashion, esthetics, hairstyling, and more. These schools are privately owned and
operated but must be registered with the Ministry of Advanced Education and have approval of the
programs they offer.

## **SASKATCHEWAN REGIONAL COLLEGES**

- There are seven regional colleges across the province. They offer numerous post-secondary opportunities
  including trades (the same program offered by Sask. Polytechnic) and university classes (from the
  University of Saskatchewan and University of Regina), in addition to personal interest programs and
  courses. Often, these programs are not filled as quickly as Sask. Polytechnic programs. The regional
  colleges and head offices include:
  - Carlton Trail College--Humboldt
  - Northlands College--La Ronge/Air Ronge
  - Great Plains College--Swift Current
  - Suncrest College—(Yorkton and Melfort--merger of former Parkland and Cumberland College)
  - North West College--The Battlefords
  - Southeast College -- Weyburn

# **Upcoming Events**

| Sept. 1     | Applications open for First Qualified, First Admitted (FQFA) that require a grade 12 to apply. |  |  |
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| Sept. 20-0d | tt. 9 U of A Indigenous students apply <u>for free</u>   |  |  |
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| Oct. 1      | Medicine Hat College and Olds College applications open. Use Apply Alberta.                    |  |  |
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| Oct. 2      | U of S <u>counsellor day</u> Saskatoon   |  |  |
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| Oct. 3      | U of S <u>counsellor day</u> Prince Albert   |  |  |
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| Oct. 3      | U of R Guidance Counsellor Update—in person and virtual  |  |  |
| Oct. 3, 4   | Olds Collogo Onen House  |  |  |
| Oct. 5, 4   | Olds College Open House  |  |  |
| Oct. 7      | U of S Info Session at Regina Public Library Sunrise Branch                                    |  |  |
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| Oct. 7      | U of C Counsellor Update (Virtual)   |  |  |
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| Oct.7-14    | U of R half price applications fee. Apply online   |  |  |

| Oct. 8  | Sask. Poly Open House Saskatoon. Register here.  |
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| Oct. 9  | Sask. Polytech Open House in Prince Albert. Register here.                                 |
| Oct. 9  | U of S <u>Register here.</u> virtual counsellor session.                                   |
| Oct. 14 | Discover Year Info Session   |
| Oct. 14 | U of R <u>Luther College Info Night</u>  |
| Oct. 15 | Sask. Poly Open House Moose Jaw. Register here.  |
| Oct. 16 | Sask. Poly Open House Regina. Register here.   |
| Oct. 16 | Great Plains College Warman Campus Open House  |
| Oct. 16 | RDIEC THINK AG in Action   |
| Oct. 16 | Prairie South/Sask. Poly Think Computer Engineering. Email <u>Jeff Feeley</u> to register. |
| Oct. 16 | Register here. for U of S Dental Assisting Program Zoom Info. Session                      |
| Oct. 17 | University of Regina's Fall Open House   |
| Oct. 18 | Register here for U of A Open House  |
| Oct. 22 | RDIEC THINK Tourism  |
| Oct. 23 | Great Plains College Swift Current Campus Open House                                       |
| Oct. 25 | Sask. Cancer Agency Career Fair—Allan Blair Cancer Centre Regina                           |
| Oct. 25 | U of C Open House  |
| Oct. 25 | U of A's <u>Augustana Preview Day</u>  |
| Oct. 28 | U of A Virtual Counsellor Update. Register here  |
| Oct. 28 | RDIEC THINK Entrepreneurship   |
| Nov. 4  | U of S <u>Residence info session</u> :   |
| Nov. 5  | U of R Housing Application Workshop,   |
| Nov. 5  | Medicine Hat College Brooks Campus Open House  |
| Nov. 6  | U of S <u>Scholarship info session</u>   |

| Nov. 6     | THINK Mining   |  |  |
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| Nov. 12    | Medicine Hat College Main Campus Open House  |  |  |
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| Nov. 12    | Sask. Poly's Business Diploma Case Competition. Use this form to register  |  |  |
| ,          |  |  |  |
| Nov. 15-30 | Sask. Poly WITT Computer Automated Systems, Computer Networking Tech, Plumbing,  |  |  |
|            | Machining, and Welding (Saturdays and Sundays)   |  |  |
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| Nov. 20    | Regina Police Spotlight  |  |  |
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| Nov. 22-23 | Sask. Poly WITT Electrical and Welding (Saturday and Sunday)   |  |  |
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| Dec. 1     | Deadline to apply for U of S <u>Education</u> , <u>Engineering</u> , <u>Kinesiology</u> , <u>Kinesiology/Education</u> |  |  |
|            | <u>Combined Program</u>  |  |  |
|            |  |  |  |
| Dec. 15    | Deadline to apply for U of S <u>Best and Brightest Entrance Scholarships</u> and <u>Circle of Honour</u>               |  |  |
|            | <u>Awards</u>  |  |  |

# Scholarships, Loans, and Financial Planning

Did you know that \$10 million in scholarships goes unclaimed each year in Canada?

Sign up with scholarship aggregators such as <u>Scholar Tree</u>, <u>Student Awards</u>, <u>Scholarships Canada</u>, <u>Scholarships.com</u>, <u>StudentScholarships.org</u> and <u>Atila</u>. <u>99 Scholarships</u> allows you to apply for scholarships based on your passions rather than on marks. Register with the organization to access many different scholarships and receive emails about upcoming scholarships.

mycampusGPS is a resource to assist students with numerous issues related to scholarships, post-secondary planning, how to be successful after grade 12, and more. Some of these resources are free and some require payment.

<u>Canada Student Grants and Loans – What student grants and loans offer</u> will provide information on applying for student loans. Saskatchewan residents will want to look at our <u>Saskatchewan section</u> when looking to apply. The <u>Government of Canada Scholarships</u> website has a lot of great information and scholarships. Please contact <u>studentservices@gov.sk.ca</u> or call 1-800-597-8278 for more information.

The newest edition of <u>Relevance Magazine</u> is available as a digital download. In the middle of the magazine, you will find many scholarships. Links to these scholarships are available for easy access.

The <u>Scholarships and Loans</u> section of the PSSD website has some documents to assist you in your scholarship search such as scholarship cover letter examples, a downloadable organizer, and financial/scholarship information including:

- Post-Secondary Finances
- Scholarship Search Engines
- Post-Secondary Institution Scholarship Links

If you are Metis, you may be able to access significant scholarship opportunities. The <u>Gabriel Dumont Institute</u> offers numerous scholarships for those who are registered with the Metis Nation of Saskatchewan or have an application in progress. To begin the process of registration for Metis Nation-Saskatchewan citizenship, <u>click here.</u> You can also contact the <u>New Southern Plains Metis Local #160</u> in Moose Jaw where you can have inperson help to acquire Metis Nation Citizenship. Or you can call Darrell at 306-631-6058 or Lorna at 306-631-7438.

The <u>Education Planning and Student Aid</u> page from the Federal Government provides useful tools for students and parents to access regarding planning for an education, saving, budget, and exploring student aid and career options.

# **Upcoming Scholarships**

| Dec. 31   | Full Ride- Student            | \$35,000  | → Be a member of the Student Life Network.   |
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| (yearly)  | <u>Life Network</u>           |   | → Open an eligible CIBC student account.   |
| N/A   | TC Energy<br>Scholarships     | Various   | <ul> <li>→ Enrolled in post-secondary institution for upcoming school year.</li> <li>→ Permanent resident of Canada</li> <li>→ Located in a community near TransCanada's projects.</li> <li>→ Would benefit from supplementary education funding</li> </ul>              |
| Various<br>times all<br>year (Check<br>website for<br>specific<br>dates.) | CWB Welding Foundation Awards | Various Amounts  Apply early as funds are limited.                                  | <ul> <li>→ Must be accepted into a full-time welding program for post-secondary.</li> <li>→ Online form, references, transcript</li> <li>→ Letter of recommendation relating to welding activities.</li> <li>→ 500-word essay</li> </ul>                                 |
| The 20 <sup>th</sup> day<br>of each<br>month.                             | LA Tutors 123<br>Scholarship  | \$500 every<br>month  | <ul> <li>→ Must have 80%+ average.</li> <li>→ Must have designed an innovative project that makes a difference in the lives of others and write an essay describing the goal of the project.</li> <li>→ Must also include letter of recommendation and photo.</li> </ul> |
| Nov. 1  | Indspire Awards:              | Various   | → These bursaries and scholarships are for   |
| Aug. 1<br>Feb. 1  | Building Brighter Futures     | amounts   | <ul> <li>Indigenous students.</li> <li>→ Students can apply for various financial awards depending on their area of study.</li> </ul>  |
| Feb. 1<br>Apr. 30   | Masterfeeds<br>Scholarships   | \$200 X 2<br>(ages 8-11)<br>\$500 X 2<br>(ages 12-17)<br>\$1000 X 2<br>(ages 17-19) | <ul> <li>→ See website for \$200 and \$500 prize criteria.</li> <li>→ For \$1000 prize, students must be going into ag-related program.</li> <li>→ Write essay on future plans in ag.</li> <li>→ Display integrity, volunteerism, leadership</li> </ul>                  |
| Oct. 3  | money genius<br>Scholarship   | \$2000  | <ul> <li>→ Must be in second year of post-secondary.</li> <li>→ Write essay of at least 500 words about your relationship with money.</li> </ul>   |

| Oct. 8   | AES Engineering Scholarship                   | \$500                                 | → Answer essay question: What would it take for you to consider your life successful?  |
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| Oct. 16  | Loran Scholars<br>Foundation                  | \$100 000 x 25                        | → Extensive evidence of leadership, character, and service required  |
| Oct. 26  | Brandon Langhjelm Memorial Essay Contest      | \$2000<br>\$1000<br>\$500             | → 1200-1500-word essay required.   |
| Oct. 30<br>June 30                                   | Distance 360 Education Scholarship            | \$1000                                | → 1500-word essay required.  |
| Oct. 31  | Atlas Shrugged Essay Contest                  | 84 prizes,<br>\$25 000 (top<br>prize) | <ul> <li>→ Must be in grade 12 or older.</li> <li>→ Essay required.</li> </ul>   |
| Oct. 31  | North Cover Futures Scholarship   North Cover | \$5000                                | <ul> <li>→ Essay on why you want to work in your selected industry and the difference you hope to make in one of business, finance, medicine, health care.</li> <li>→ Must be 18</li> </ul>  |
| Oct. 31  | Tangerine<br>Scholarship                      | \$20 000 x 1<br>\$1000 x 5            | → Enter a draw, complete online form.  |
| Nov. 15  | 10 Words or Less<br>Scholarship               | \$1000 x 2                            | → Explain why you deserve a \$1000 scholarship using 10 or fewer words. Ages 14-25   |
| Nov. 15  | Odenza Marketing<br>Group Scholarship         | \$500                                 | → Write two essays of fewer than 500 words and complete an application form.   |
| Nov. 18  | Maryknoll<br>Scholarships                     | \$1000 x 6                            | → Gr. 6-12, Catholic school, religious ed. or youth ministry, 500-750 word essay   |
| Nov. 30  | ServiceScape<br>Scholarship                   | \$1000                                | → Enter a draw, complete online form.  |
| Dec. 15  | Allied Van Lines<br>Scholarship               | \$1000 X 4                            | → Complete an online form and an essay.  |
| Dec. 15 (or<br>until 30 000<br>apps are<br>received. | Burger King Scholars Program                  | \$1000<br>\$60, 000 x<br>4200         | <ul> <li>→ Min. 2.0 GPA, employee or family of employee</li> <li>→ Work experience, extracurricular activities, community service, financial need</li> </ul>   |
| Dec. 31 and<br>Aug. 31                               | Loans Canada<br>Scholarship                   | \$750 x2<br>(2 Dec, 2 Aug)            | → Complete an online form.   |
| Jan. 17  | SARM Scholarship                              | \$1500 x 2                            | <ul> <li>→ Must be in grade 12 or have completed high school within the last two years.</li> <li>→ Must have a farming background and have parents who own or rent land and pay tax to a rural municipality.</li> <li>→ Complete an online form and write an essay on a choice of topics.</li> </ul> |