Prairie South

PRAIRIE SOUTH CONNECTIONS

SHOWCASE ON:

The Prairie South Virtual School started in 2006. The online school started with 3 staff members offering a few grade 11 and 12 classes. Today the Virtual school offers classes from grades 1-12 with 19 staff members. Staff teaching grades 1-8 teach synchronously with Zoom. Each day students interact with each other and the online teachers in Zoom lessons before completing assignments and activities in Seesaw and Google Classroom. Staff teaching grades 9-12 teach asynchronously with Moodle. We do have one staff member teaching synchronously, offering classes to another school while she is teaching her faceto-face classes.

The Virtual School offers high-quality education with many appealing differences when compared to traditional brick-and-mortar schools:

- 1. More flexibility to meet students' needs
- 2. A chance for Home-school students to learn at home with a proven curriculum with certified teachers to provide instruction
- 3. Fewer distractions and time wasters
- 4. Opportunity for struggling students to thrive
- 5. Better connections with family, friends, and teachers
- 6. Access to specialized or core classes



Principal

Charmaine Collinge



Rachel Boughen

French, Pre-

Calculus, Calculus

Vice-Principal Executive Assistant



Shelby Hack Grades 5 & 6



Katie McNabb Grade 9. Comp Science, Financial Literacy, Math



Lisa Coolidge Grades 7 & 8



Courtney Rattee Forensic Science, Health Science, Mental Health Studies



Christa Elder Grades 1 & 2



Brennan Peterson Cow-Calf Prod, CWEX



Shana Timoruski Law, Robotics



Tanis Michener Grades 3 & 4



Shane Sowden Wellness, Leadership, Personal Fitness



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High School 9-12: 60 Subjects

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VIRTUAL SCHOOL

- High School Staff: 14 Staff •
- **Elementary Staff: 5 Staff**
- **Elementary full-time students:** • 111 students
- High school students: approximately 500 seats per semester



Al Wandler Energy & Mines, Forensic Science



Judy Samoleski Hairstyling & Esthetics, Social Studies

Scott Wicker ELA, Life Transitions



Shelly Stamm

Math, Physical

Science, Chemistry



Alicia Menke Biology, Environmental Science





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ON STAFF



lor Mason-Giroux is in his first year with Prairie South as our ivities Facilitator. He hopes to be able to take on a more active role in the division coaching sports once he's comfortable in his new role. Seylor grew up in Ottawa, Ontario and Gatineau, Quebec. He attended De La Salle et Louis-Riel and after that, went to Algonquin Collegiate and Ottawa University followed by the University of Regina. Seylor's first job was as a Beach Waterfront Lifeguard and Aquatic Supervisor, later becoming an Aquatic Manager for Ottawa. Seylor has played many different sports at high levels of competition, but he is most proud of his music accomplishment having had the opportunity to play violin for Prince Charles and Queen Elizabeth in 1995-96 after they arrived at Parliament Hill in Ottawa. Seylor's happy place is in the wilderness and you'll find him most often vacationing somewhere he can do two things: Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu and climb a mountain. Being French, it's no surprise that his favourite food is Poutine and Chicken Breast from St. Hubert!

Linda Smith started driving bus when her kids started attending high school in Moose Jaw in 1998. In 2000, she got a job as an Educational Assistant at Peacock Collegiate. She has been working both jobs ever 冒 since and really enjoys working and being around kids whether it is on 2 the school bus or in a classroom. Linda grew up on a farm outside of Regina at Grand Coulee and attended Grand Coulee School grade one to grade nine (there was no kindergarten) and then Luther College in Regina. After high school she worked for the government with Sask Crop Insurance, Dept. of Continuing Education and Dept of Agriculture. She married a farmer in the Brownlee area and together they raised 🛽 four kids who now live all over the province in Bengough, Tisdale, Yorkton and Moose Jaw. They spent many hours in the winter at the rink either watching hockey or figure skating. She has eight grandkids, so they put many miles on visiting and attending different events they are involved in. Linda plans to refire this year so it will be much easier to visit anytime of the year, not just on weekends. In her spare time, Linda enjoys gardening and playing in the dirt; eating all the fresh produce is the best. She spends many hours quilting in the winter and looks forward to joining the local quilt guild to get some ideas from fellow quilters. Her favourite holiday was to India for a wedding which was spectacular and an Alaskan cruise is on her bucket list!





Shanna Nolting started working for Prairie South in 2004 as an Educational Assistant and now works part-time in the library and subs as an EA2 and a facility operator. Shanna grew up on a farm 15 miles west of Girvin, Saskatchewan. She attended school in Davidson from K-12. In high school, she worked as a dishwasher at a local restaurant. After high school, she took her special care aide course in Estevan. She worked in Moose Jaw at Saint Anthony's nursing home until it closed then she moved to Craik and worked at the Davidson Health Centre. Shanna and her husband celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary this February. They have three children: daughter Charly is 23 and sons Kane 21 and Deacon 20. They are a grain farm family and love life on the farm! Shanna spends most of her free time watching her kids play sports – hockey and lacrosse. A fun fact about Shanna – she likes to make up her own words! Family is the most important thing to Shanna!





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