

News

1. [MyBlueprint](#) is a one stop career development website with many unique and valuable features related to career development for middle years and high school students. There are exciting opportunities on this web system for students to create an account and track credits, take interest/skill-based inventories, explore and compare different careers, explore post-secondary opportunities, and access employer information.
2. Post-Secondary Prerequisites (attached and on the division website) can assist students as they choose classes and plan their post-secondary education. These lists inform students of the prerequisite requirements for the University of Saskatchewan, University of Regina & Saskatchewan Polytechnic. On the division website, check out the Credit Tracking handout, which allows students to map out their credits accordingly with the Ministry of Education's requirements.
3. Note to 2020 graduates and parents: Students at the [U of R](#), [U of S](#), & [Saskatchewan Polytechnic](#) can opt out of health and dental plans, if they are presently covered by an equivalent plan. This can provide students with a savings of \$200-\$300 each year.
4. [Junior Achievement](#): There are several JA kits up for grabs. First come, first served. Please contact [Jeff Feeley](#) if you wish to get your free kit.
5. Do you teach Career Education 9 or CWEX? [Career Safety Education](#) is the first program of its kind in North America. It provides universal access to completely FREE online safety training for all youth in Saskatchewan between the ages of 14 -21. The goal of Career Safety Education is to increase the knowledge of safety in Saskatchewan youth so that they can apply it to both in the workplace, and at home. The online components are specifically designed by industry safety experts to address the most common injuries to new workers in their respective fields and meet curriculum outcomes in school. In order to graduate from the Career Safety Education program, youth must complete four safety courses.
6. At this point, there is only one virtual career fair scheduled for the fall. [See Your Future](#) will take place Nov. 3, from 9:45 – 3:00 pm. Contact 306.260.1314
7. The [2020 Relevance Magazine](#) is available to all students for articles and interviews on Saskatchewan residents following their career paths. Please visit the site to download a digital copy. Paper copies are available in your school, see your principal.

8. Career and Work Exploration (CWEX) Teachers:

- a) There is a new curriculum for CWEX 10, 20, A30 and B30. This curriculum can be used this year, and this 2020-2021 school year will be the last year for the old curriculum.
- b) CWEX calendars for students are on Connect. Please contact [Jeff Feeley](#) if you require CWEX Employer Folders.
- c) CWEX calendars are ready to go on [Connect](#).
- d) The Education Response Planning Team has provided information for those involved in CWEX courses. See below. To assist in keeping students safe, attached is an updated version of the **Pre-Placement Health and Safety Checklist**. Please destroy all old versions and use this updated version, as it contains important questions about the employer's COVID-19 preparations.

Work Placements for Career and Work Exploration Courses: *All learning opportunities—whether in the classroom or in a work setting—must be supported by the direction and guidelines provided by the Chief Medical Health Officer and Re-Open Saskatchewan. Virtual/online options for work placements as part of career and work exploration courses can be considered and explored as long as the curriculum can be actualized. For each level of Career and Work Exploration 10, 20, A30, B30, the number of hours to be spent in the workplace is offered as a range; schools may wish to consider supporting the minimum number of hours in the range at each level, as outlined below and based on the 2020 curriculum:*

- 10 level – 30-50 hours (50-70 in classroom);
- 20 level – 50-70 hours (30-50 in classroom);
- 30 levels – 60-80 hours (20-40 in classroom).

As a reminder, biological (e.g., viruses, fungi, bacteria and mold) is one of the five major categories of hazards. Teachers or those with the responsibility for establishing work placements within the community must conduct a pre-placement visit to inspect each workplace for health and safety and to discuss each work-based learning opportunity with the employer. Workplaces being considered for student placements should provide documented evidence (e.g., a plan) of their compliance with the direction provided in the current Public Health Order as well as any restrictions or guidelines found in the Reopen Saskatchewan document available at www.saskatchewan.ca for that type of workplace. Student safety must remain at the forefront. Students will be required to follow the highest safety protocol in place (e.g., if a school division expects masks in the school, students would be expected to follow those same expectations, regardless of location, if they are at a higher standard). Please direct health-related questions to Public Health.

Post- Secondary Information

LAKELAND COLLEGE:

- Lakeland's [Open House](#) on Friday, Oct. 23 and Saturday, Oct. 24 gives students an opportunity to learn about their programs,

SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC:

- Grade 12 students wanting to attend one of Saskatchewan Polytechnic's First Qualified-First Admitted [Programs](#) (most of their programs), should [apply](#) as soon as possible.
- [Dual Credit Courses](#) can be taken by grade 11 and 12 students, which allows them to meet the requirements for both high school and certain Polytechnic programs. These courses will be offered through distance education options.
- Virtual Open House opportunities can be arranged by contacting [Marlene](#), 1.306.691.8385. Sessions will run Oct. 20, 21 and 22 and include: Business, Transportation, Services Presentations, Construction, Information and Communications Technology, Nursing, Human Services and Community Safety, Health Sciences, Hospitality and Tourism, Mining, Energy and Manufacturing, Natural Resources and Built Environment.
- [Future Student Advising Sessions](#) are virtual meetings available for students interested in attending Sask Polytech.
- [Women in Trades and Technology Exploratory Session](#): Regina, Oct 3-Nov. 20. \$300
This hands-on career exploration course for women 15 years of age and up offers an introduction to a variety of basic trade skills. Each workshop is led by a female trades professional and course content includes basic skills in: Auto Body, Automotive Servicing, Building Systems (Regina only), Carpentry (2-day Saskatoon only), Electrical, Machining, Plumbing, and Welding.

UNIVERSITY OF REGINA:

- The virtual [UR Update](#) will be on Sept. 18, 9:00 am-12:00 noon. UR Update informs school counsellors, administrators and high school teachers about the latest changes from admissions, student awards, and academic programs.
- Students pondering their options as future university students will want to attend the virtual [2020 Fall Open House](#) on October 3. It is an excellent opportunity for students and parents to tour the campus and attend informational sessions.
- An [Info Night for Sask High School Students](#) will be held on Sept. 21 7:00-8:00 pm
- Luther College at the University of Regina [Info Night](#) is Oct. 1, 7:00 pm. Luther is a federated college within the U of R. It offers smaller classes, extra scholarships, one-on-one academic advising, and it has a residence on campus. For more information, contact luther.recruitment@uregina.ca or visit www.luthercollege.edu/university

MEDICINE HAT COLLEGE:

- MHC will be having a virtual open house on Nov. 18 and an update for counsellors on Sept. 28, a collaborative effort with Olds College. More to follow when they have more information on the website. In the meantime, you can check out one of their [virtual tours](#).

UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN:

- If you are taking U of S classes this fall, and you have questions regarding COVID 19, you can direct your questions [here](#) and you can check out the [FAQs](#).
- Interested in attending the U of S, or are you a parent, guidance or career counsellor? Be sure to attend their [Open House](#) on Thursday, Sept. 24, 3:00-7:00 pm. At this year's online event, you will be able to explore academic programs and student experiences through live-streamed demonstrations and presentations, have one-on-one chats with representatives from programs and services across USask, and learn about digital materials you can save for later.
- Counsellors, check out the [counsellor newsletter](#) on the USask website.
- [St. Peter's College](#) offers first year and many second year U of S classes. Located near Humboldt at Muenster, this is like a second campus of the U of S, and it celebrates small class sizes, personalized counselling and assistance from instructors.

OLDS COLLEGE:

- An [Open House](#) will be held on Friday, October 16, 1:00 pm-7:00 pm. There will be tours, program sessions and an opportunity to meet students, staff and faculty. There will be a virtual counsellor event on Sept. 28 in collaboration with Medicine Hat College.
- [Guide for Counsellors and Parents](#) is a great resource to use if you're interested in attending Olds College.

Upcoming Events

Sept. 18	UR Counsellors Update The University of Regina will share program and admission virtual updates with counsellors and teachers, 9:00 am-12:00 noon.	Virtual
Sept. 24	University of Saskatchewan Open House Students, parents, and counsellors are given information about the programs offered at the U of S in this virtual meeting from 3:00-7:00 pm.	Virtual
Sept. 28	MHC and Olds College Counsellors Update Medicine Hat College and Olds College representatives will will share program and admission virtual updates with counsellors and teachers.	Virtual
Oct. 3	University of Regina Fall Open House The U of R will host informative seminars and tours for students, parents, and high school counsellors.	Virtual
Oct. 16	Olds College Open House There will be Informative sessions and campus tours showcasing their unique programming in areas such as Horticulture, Land and Environment, Agriculture, Equine and Animal Sciences.	Virtual
Oct. 23-24	Lakeland College Open House Students, parents and teachers can learn about Lakeland's programs in this virtual open house.	Virtual

Scholarship Spotlight

Due Date	Scholarship	Amount	Criteria
Sept. 15	James Lee Foundation Scholarship	Up to \$5,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → A creative portfolio and a paragraph (max. 200 words) explaining how the funds would help you to pursue your creative path is required. → Winning portfolio will demonstrate the most original thinking and craftsmanship.
Sept. 26	Sarah Dunleavy Memorial Scholarship	1 X \$1,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Based on commitment to SADD. → Must demonstrate involvement with SADD activities.
Sept. 30	SGI Corporate Scholarship	4 X \$2,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Must be enrolled in a certificate, diploma or degree program related to the business needs (i.e. Accounting, Auto Trades, Business, Commerce, Info. Tech., Nursing, Office Administration, Social Work, Vocational Rehabilitation, etc.) → Must state contributions to community, extracurricular activities or commitments made in balancing work, education and home responsibilities.
Oct. 1	SaskTel Métis Scholarship	8 X \$2,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Awarded to self-declared Métis students studying in a field directly related to telecommunications. Programs include engineering (electrical, electronic, telecommunications), business administration/business and computer science. → Must demonstrate financial need and submit a statement about leadership skills and community involvement.
Oct. 1	Canadian Western Agribition Scholarship	3 X \$2,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Applicants must be passionate about Agriculture and have participated in CWA. Participation in CWA includes, but is not limited to, all livestock classes, 4-H classes, and active trade exhibit participation.
Oct. 15	EXCELLENCE in Ag Program	\$5,000 (over 4 years = max. \$20,000)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Eligible students are must be enrolled in a diploma or degree program in agriculture or business and maintain a min. average of 75%.
Oct. 17 (sponsored) Oct. 24 (direct)	Loran Award	25 X \$10,000 + tuition waiver 102 X \$5000 or \$2,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Applicants must present a minimum cumulative average of 85%. → Selection criteria include service and leadership, strong moral character and demonstrated academic excellence.

Oct. 26	Horatio Alger Canadian Scholarships	160 X \$5,000	<p>→ Applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate critical financial need (\$65,000 or less annual net income per family is required) • Be involved in co-curricular and community service activities <p>→ Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity</p>
Nov. 1	SaskTel & Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies	6 X \$1500	<p>→ Preference is given to Aboriginal students who pursue post-secondary education in fields directly related to telecommunications. Business administration, accounting and marketing will also be considered.</p>