

RIVER EAST COLLEGIATE
Parent Advisory Council Meeting
TUESDAY, December 1, 2015
6:30 PM – LIBRARY

AGENDA:

1. Welcome and Adoption of the Agenda
2. Administration Report
3. Correspondence / Chair's Report
4. Parent issues/Concerns/Good News
5. Other

****Please RSVP to Deb Prefontaine (school office) 204-338-4611 or dprefontaine@retsd.mb.ca - as to whether you will/will not be attending.**

PLEASE JOIN US AND BRING A FRIEND!



*Season's
Greetings*

Parent Advisory Council

River East Collegiate

December 1st, 2015

1. Take Your Kids to Work Day was on November 4th- all grade 9's attended. We have some feature articles on our website.
2. We had a fantastic Remembrance Day Service on November 9th organized by our Student Leadership group. We included music, song and an officer from the Canadian Armed Forces to speak to the students.
3. In Service day- Our focus on November 10th was on Positive School Wide behaviour, Respect for Human Diversity, Health Related Care training, Aboriginal Academic Achievement initiative and wellness.
4. Student Parent Teacher on November 26th was a great success- we had 1002 appointments scheduled for 1121 parents. The booking system was the same system used last year and continues to give parents flexibility and choice when booking appointments.
5. Extra-curricular information:
 - Volleyball: All teams had a fabulous year!
 - Indoor soccer- Boys and girl's teams are competing in the league at the University of Manitoba
 - Women's and Men's Hockey Teams are well underway. Our men's and women's teams are doing very well.
 - Football- We had one team compete in the Vidrik Division, winning the division. The team went on to the league finals losing to Sturgeon Heights.
 - Basketball- try-outs for all teams are under way.
 - Indoor track team is up and running
 - Curling- we have 1 women's teams competing this year.

6. Music Programs- We recently completed our Winter Concert on November 25th and look forward to our concerts on December 3th and 10th. The WSO event was spectacular!
7. Student Activities- I would ask that you check out our website for all of the fabulous events that are taking place at REC. I have included some of our news items and our daily bulletin for today to give you examples of what we are up to.
8. Respect for Human Diversity guidelines. The guidelines for staff and students are on our website. We will review them at our meeting.
9. Tell them from me survey was completed this fall. We are waiting the results and will share them at our next meeting. The following numbers of students completed the survey at each grade level: Grade 9: 256 Students, Grade 10: 246, Grade 11: 197 and Grade 12: 186 students.
10. Please find below a list of events that are being shared with our students for the month of December:
 - Dec. 1 – Blue and White Charity Ball game (JV vs Varsity) in period 5 (Students can pay \$1 or bring in a tin for the bin in advance to get a ticket. NO WALK UP TICKETS!)
 - Dec. 2 – TA is cancelled. Grade 9 Assembly (8:40 in the Theatre); Grade 10 assembly (9:10 in the Theatre); Grade 12 Grad Meeting (11:30ish in Theatre)
 - Dec. 3 - Winter Chamber Concert (Matinee in Theatre at 1:00, Evening performance at 7:00)
 - Dec. 10 - Winter Jazz Concert (Matinee in Theatre at 1:00, Evening performance at 7:00)
 - Dec. 16 – TA Locker clean out (10:30); Proposed Pep Rally in period 3; Staff Student Hockey Game at RE Arena starting at 1:00 after attendance (Sharpen those skates!)
 - Dec. 18 – Last day of classes (2:00 dismissal) and relax!
11. Next meeting date: March 1st, 2016.

**River East Collegiate***River East Transcona School Division***STAFF - STUDENT HOCKEY GAME**

November 30, 2015

This year the staff vs student hockey game will take place on Wednesday, December 16 from 1:00 pm to 2:50 pm. PARENTS ARE WELCOME!

KEY CLUB - CHRISTMAS CHEER BOARD

November 30, 2015

Key Club will be collecting items for the Christmas Cheer Board beginning Monday, November 23. We are looking for non-perishable food items and unopened toys. Items can be dropped off in Ms. Derwin's room – 203 anytime between November 23 and December 4. There is also a bin outside the office....

RETSO IS "MAKING THE MOVE"

November 27, 2015

Planning has begun for the final phase of "Making the Move," RETSD's initiative to reconfigure all schools in the division into early (K-5), middle (6-8), and senior years (9-12). The final phase involves reconfiguring the schools in the Miles Macdonell Collegiate catchment area and will be effective in September 2016....

COSTA RICA AND LASER TAG

November 26, 2015

Students going on the Costa Rica service learning trip during Spring Break 2016 had an awesome time getting to know each other while playing laser tag this past weekend!

DOING SOME HOLIDAY SHOPPING?

November 24, 2015

YOU CAN HELP TO BUILD REC'S CLASSROOM LIBRARIES AT THE SAME TIME! If you're going to be doing some holiday shopping in November and December, consider purchasing a Chapters Indigo e-gift card online from our REC Classroom Libraries campaign. Cards can be purchased in the amounts of \$25, \$50, and...

LOW COST BIKE HELMET INITIATIVE

November 23, 2015

The initiative is intended to provide helmets to Manitoba families at the lowest possible cost. If you are interested in purchasing bike helmets/multi-sport helmets or toddler helmets through this program, please pick up an order form from the school office or email the school for further information. DEADLINE: December 9, 2015. ...

¡HOLA CUBA!

November 20, 2015

To all parents of students of Spanish: I am Mrs. Derwin the Spanish teacher at River East Collegiate. I am in the process of planning a trip to Havana, Cuba for Spring Break of 2017. HAVANA HIGHLIGHTS is a tour offered through Explorica which allows students to explore the places, culture...

 [Derwin-471 Registration Instructions.pdf](#)  [HAVANA 2017.pptx](#)  [Havana Highlights.pptx](#)

REC GRAD CLOTHING - ON SALE NOW!

November 16, 2015

Forms are to be dropped off in room 213 during PERIOD 2 ONLY . All forms must be in by NOVEMBER 30. Please open attachments for order form and sizing chart.

 [Catalogue Attraction 2015 SIZING.pdf](#)  [REC Clothing Order Form.pdf](#)

STUDENT/PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES - NOVEMBER 26

November 13, 2015

Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences will take place on Thursday, November 26: 1:30-3:30 p.m. and 5:30-8:30 p.m. Please read attached information on how to book appointments. The Conference Manager will be open until November 25 for booking appointments.

 [Instructions for Parents Scheduling Parent-Teacher Conferences.pdf](#)

 [Parent and Guardian Letter - Nov SPTC.pdf](#)

RETSO STUDENTS CONTRIBUTE TO GERMAN UNIFICATION PROJECT

November 12, 2015

Recently, Grade 9 and 10 students of the English-German Bilingual Program at River East Collegiate were given the opportunity to participate in the "Jigsaw Puzzle Project: 25 Years of German Unification," conceived by the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Ottawa. This project marks the 25th anniversary of...

REC STUDENTS SEARCH FOR MICROECOSYSTEMS

November 12, 2015

The week got off to an interesting start for the students in teacher Cherylene Kentner's Monday morning science class, as each small group of students had a rotten log placed on the tables in front of them. There was an earthy aroma in the room as students had the...

U OF M - INDIGENOUS LEADER OF TOMORROW SCHOLARSHIP

November 12, 2015

INTERNATIONALE DEUTSCHOLYMPIADE

November 05, 2015

We are very excited to announce that Kara LeBlanc (grade 9 German bilingual student) has been selected for the final Canadian qualification round of the "Internationale Deutscholympiade" (International German Olympics) offered by the Goethe-Institut! She is invited to the Goethe-Institute Montreal where she will compete against the other finalists in the...

RETSD DEVELOPS GENDER IDENTITY GUIDELINES

November 03, 2015

As part of its ongoing work to create a safe and caring school and work environment, RETSD has created guidelines for supporting transgender students and employees. The guidelines, which underpin the division's Respect for Human Diversity policy and its Human Rights policy, have been endorsed by the board of trustees and...

CRIME PREVENTION TIP

November 03, 2015

Crime Prevention Tip SAFETY TIPS WHEN USING WINNIPEG TRANSIT

Winnipeg Transit is becoming ever increasingly popular with today's gas prices and the increasing number of people that live in Winnipeg. With the opening of diamond lanes, express routes and the first phases of rapid transit, people are realizing...

MATHEMATICS IN THE REAL WORLD...

October 29, 2015

On the morning of Wednesday October 28, Mike Miniou from the University of Waterloo visited River East Collegiate AP classes. He presented a very interesting and entertaining session to the students about "Mathematics in the real world". One of the problems he showed was a real-life example faced by...

SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK - MAC HENLEY

October 28, 2015

Mac Henley was selected for Sport Star of the Week in the Women's High School Hockey "A" Division. She scored 2 goals and added 2 assists to lead the Kodiaks with a win over Fort Richmond Collegiate. Congratulations Mac.

PAYWORKS URBAN COACH OF THE MONTH

October 27, 2015

Congratulations to Robin Mead, head football coach at REC who was selected as the Payworks Urban High School Coach of the Month of September. The Kodiak football team is at the top of the Kas Vidruk division with a 6-1 record. Playoffs begin this week when River East takes on West...

CTV HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL - PLAYER OF THE WEEK

October 21, 2015

WEEK 5 - CTV Offensive Player of the Week for the Winnipeg High School Football league - Birhanu Yitna (Kodiak jersey #2) 6 catches/120 yds / 1 Td. Congratulations Birhanul Click [here](#) for mid-season highlights.

MHSAA ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

October 21, 2015

Congratulations to Allison Lage who was named MSHAA (Urban) Athlete of the Week.
http://www.mhsaa.ca/awards_detail/id-1220/

FOR GRADE 10 GERMAN STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

October 19, 2015

There will be an informational meeting for the German Exchange Program on November 24th at 7:00 p.m. at River East Collegiate - Theatre.

 [2015 November Exchange Meeting Invite.pdf](#)

STUDENT BULLETIN - NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 4

October 02, 2015

 [Student Bulletin - December 1, 2015.pdf](#)  [Student Bulletin - November 30, 2015.pdf](#)

Student Bulletin

TUESDAY, December 1, 2015

DAY 1

NOVEMBER 23 – DECEMBER 14

FALL-WINTER Clothing Drive

We are looking for fall or winter clothing.....hats, parkas, mittens, snow pants, sweaters and boots! You can drop off your donations in the bin in front of the office.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

Parent Advisory Council Meeting – 6:30 – p.m. – REC Library

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

Grade 9 Assembly – 8:40 a.m.

Grade 10 Assembly – 9:10 a.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

CHAMBER CONCERT — 1 pm and 7 pm – REC Theatre

(WIND ENSEMBLE, CHAMBER CHOIR, PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

JAZZ CONCERT — 1 pm and 7 pm – REC Theatre

(ALL JAZZ ENSEMBLES)



KEY CLUB



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GRAD WEAR ORDERS

Due to high demand the grad wear order deadline has been extend until Wednesday, December 2 by the end of period 2 (room 213). **THIS IS THE FINAL DEADLINE, ORDERS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED AFTER 10:41 on Wednesday.**

GRADUATING STUDENTS

Become a PAGE at the House of Commons - Are you planning to attend University in the National Capital Region? Is so, you have the opportunity to apply to become a PAGE at the House of Commons. This is a paid position that will begin in August 2016 and end in August 2017. Students will work a minimum of 15 hours a week and their work schedule will be coordinated with their university schedule. Please see Mrs. Morran in guidance for more details. **Deadline for**

applications: Monday, December 7, 2015

JOHN PRITCHARD 2014-2015 YEARBOOKS

2014-15 yearbooks are available at John Pritchard office until 3:30 pm daily.

Scholarships

Please check our website for a complete listing of scholarship opportunities.

<http://www.retsd.mb.ca/school/rec/Pages/ScholarshipFinancialAid.aspx>

BURGER KING SCHOLARSHIPS

The application period for the 2016-2017 closes on December 15, 2015. Click [here](#) to view the scholarship eligibility requirements and to apply now.

CANADIAN MENNONITE UNIVERSITY

Apply Online or Apply Outtatown Online before November 30th and we will waive the \$50 application fee!

Did you know that at Canadian Mennonite University you can earn a degree in the arts, science, business, or music? We offer a comprehensive university education in a faith-filled, community-oriented setting and want you to be a part of it. Come and discover what CMU programs and community have to offer by attending a Campus Visit Day.

Campus Visit Day

Campus Visit Days are a great chance to experience what CMU is like. Here are the upcoming events:

•November 20 | Year One & Music •November 27 | Year One & Science •December 2 | Outtatown program

Take a campus tour, visit the dorms, meet professors, attend class, and participate in a community gathering (i.e. chapel). We'll provide lunch in the dining hall and conclude the day with free gelato at folio cafe! Read about one student's CMU Campus Visit Day experience [here](#). Parents are also welcome; we know they have questions too, so we have included an information session just for them.

We meet at CMU's north campus (500 Shaftesbury Blvd, the castle-like building) at 8:45 AM and wrap up around 3:00 PM. *Also, if students are travelling over 100km to attend a campus visit day, we want to give them up to \$400 for their flight ticket or mileage!* Register at Campus Visit Days or simply drop in at 8:45 AM. Either way, hope to see some of your students here!

Christmas is Coming! Finally, make sure to mark your calendars for Christmas at CMU on Saturday November 28th - we transform the entire north campus into one big concert hall! Feel free to contact our Enrolment Department anytime with any questions you may have by emailing me lnickel@cmu.ca, through our Guidance Counsellor webpage, or by calling 1-877-231-4570.

RAINBOW STAGE Individual Scholarship Award

These scholarships are available to all graduating high school students who have shown a high ability in drama and/or musical theatre and are continuing their education by enrolling in a recognized theatre program after high school. Individual scholarship applications must be submitted to Rainbow Stage by **FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2016**. Please click [HERE](#) to be directed to the site and application form. Complete the online application form and email it directly to Kate Supleve at: ksupleve@rainbowstage.ca.

THE MANITOBA COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN SCHOLARSHIPS

DEADLINE JANUARY 8, 2016

Two scholarships are available to support grade 12 or returning university students from Manitoba who are pursuing a career directly related to working with persons with exceptionalities. The individuals must be entering or in a current full time education program in a Canadian institution. The scholarship money will be given directly to the recipient upon verification of enrollment.

Two scholarships are available to students with exceptional needs who is transitioning from high school to post-school life, such as post-secondary education, job training or employment. The winning student must demonstrate a 'Yes I Can' attitude. The scholarship money is given directly to the student upon verification of enrolment (if pursuing post-secondary education) or other appropriate evidence of their post-school plan. To view the application forms click [here](#) or speak to one of the counsellors in the Student Support area.

TD SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP *(one of the largest and most prestigious scholarship programs in Canada, valued at up to \$70,000 each)*

DEADLINE - November 27, 2015

For more information on the TD scholarship opportunities click [here](#) or speak to one of the counsellors to pick up an application form.

RE/MAX OF WESTERN CANADA - QUEST for EXCELLENCE BURSARY PROGRAM

This year Remax of Western Canada is once again offering (16) \$1,000.00 bursaries for a total of \$16,000 to grade 12 students. This program was established by RE/MAX of Western Canada to recognize the success and ongoing pursuits of Western Canadian students in regards to leadership and community contribution initiatives. Students can enter online by clicking [here](#). 2016 Quest for Excellence program is open for submissions from September 14, 2015 until midnight March 14, 2016. Only online entries will be accepted. Please see attached [poster](#).

NEW AWARD FROM THE U of M - UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA INDIGENOUS LEADER OF TOMORROW SCHOLARSHIPS

Are you an Indigenous high school student who is leader in the community? Do you excel in academics?

You are eligible to apply for the U of M's Indigenous Leader of Tomorrow Scholarships valued at \$16,000 over your four years of undergraduate education. Deadline is December 1, 2015. To learn more: click [U of M](#)

University of Winnipeg news

- Deadline for application required scholarships is February 2st, 2016
- Deadline for Special Entrance Awards application deadline is March 1st.

Please visit the university website: <https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/> for more information.



Sports Zone.....

BASKETBALL

Come out and watch our junior varsity boys basketball team take on the varsity boys' basketball team in our traditional pre-season match up! The game will be played during fifth period TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1. Students

wishing to attend must bring \$1 or a non-perishable food item to the gym MONDAY or TUESDAY during the lunch hour to get a ticket! Admission will NOT be available at the door.

Please refer to the REC Athletics page for a listing of sports schedules and Kodiak accomplishments! GO KODIAKS!

<https://retsd.mb.ca/school/rec/Programs/Athletics/Pages/default.aspx>

VOLLEYBALL

The new volleyball draw is up in the gum. Please come by and see when your team plays.

FIRST GAME – Tuesday, December 1 @ 12:05

ATTENTION CLUB TRACK ATHLETES

All track athletes attending the December 90 meet should attend a brief meeting in room 106 during the lunch time on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2.

GRADE 9 GIRLS BASKETBALL TRYOUT SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2 – 5:00 – 6:30 PM

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7 – 3:30 – 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9 6:30 – 8:00 PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12 – 12:00 – 2:00 PM

See Mrs. Posthumus if you have any questions.