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Next Public School Board Meeting

March 23, 2021
7:00 p.m.

This meeting will be held via Google Meet and closed for in-person public attendance. The meeting will be recorded with a copy of the recording posted on the CRPS website.

The February 24th CRPS Public School Board meeting was closed for in-person public attendance to help prevent the community spread of the COVID-19 virus. The meeting was available to the public through a Google Meet link. The meeting was recorded and the recording is posted on the division website.

High School Alignment

Chris Rogers, principal of BCHS and CCHS and Assistant Principals Mike Shoemaker and Hans Holthuis provided a high school alignment update.

Over the past 3 years, timetables at both high schools have been adjusted and aligned to allow students to travel between schools to attend classes and increase learning opportunities for students. While it is important to recognize that each school has its own culture, a shared culture has developed across both campuses.

The pandemic has created a lot of disruptive change throughout this school year, but it has also brought an opportunity to learn. Some of the new areas of learning include how we look at resources and learning opportunities for the students

The quarter system and cross curricular learning has provided an opportunity for staff to connect and collaborate across both campuses. As we move deeper into the year, more in-depth cross-collaboration has taken place. Distributed leadership has brought staff together presenting opportunities for staff to collaborate and share ideas and best practices.

Alignment has grown not only with the combining of both high school campuses, but also with the development of the Flexible Learning Centre, Distance Education and connections with the Canadian Rockies Outdoor Learning Centre. These opportunities have created a web of learning pathways within our division that are not only connecting students from our high schools but also providing opportunities for students outside the division.



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Summer CALM 2021

CRPS is once again offering Summer CALM 2021 (Career and Life Management) in an immersive experiential manner. Students will take the course over 5 days and 4 nights, receiving a total of 6 credits for the course. Immersion in the 5-day course will take place at the Canadian Rockies Outdoor Learning Centre in Bow Valley Provincial Park and surrounding natural spaces, and provincial and national parks.

Students will take part in a number of learning activities including land and water wilderness navigation, meal planning and preparation, flat water canoe training on the confluence of the Bow and Kananaskis Rivers, hiking, rock climbing, horseback riding, and journaling. (*Please note that activities are subject to change without notice.)

Students will stay in bunks at the Outdoor Learning Centre that are equipped with bunk beds, hot showers and flush toilets. As part of meeting the curricular outcomes, students will plan and prepare all meals.

Registration for Summer CALM is now open. Due to the popularity of this program and the limited number of registrations accepted, it is recommended to register as soon as possible. For more information visit the [CRPS website](https://www.crps.ca/summer-calm).

For students who do not want to partake in a face-to-face summer CALM program, an online program will be available through CRPS Summer School.

COVID Protocols—All activities and programming is dependent on current COVID-19 restrictions at the time of the course. In the event face-to-face programming cannot occur, students will have the option to defer registration to summer 2022, transfer to online or receive a refund.



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Staff Announcements

Canadian Rockies Public Schools is pleased to announce the addition of the following staff members:

[Taras Danco](#) has accepted the position of School Psychologist—Teacher Counsellor

[Ashley Butenschon](#) will be our new School and Family Wellness Worker.

Both positions have been made available through donations from the PAUW Foundation to support Mental Health and Wellness within CRPS.

We are very appreciative of the funding the PAUW Foundation has provided to CRPS over the years in support of programs and initiatives such as athletics, school fees, outdoor education and mental health and wellness. Through their generous donations, CRPS is able to offer many worthwhile programs to all students within the division—Kindergarten to Grade 12.

Due to the challenges created for families surrounding the COVID pandemic, this year the PAUW Foundation has also provided a financial break to CRPS families by donating funds to offset school fees that are typically charged for school activities and enhanced learning opportunities.



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