

IRIC IRON RIDGE INTERMEDIATE CAMPUS EAGLE NEWS

October 2021

OCTOBER DATES

October 2-8 - Mental Health Week

October 4 - Soar Begins

Oct. 8 - Nov. 4 - Travelling Art Exhibit - Fields of Vision

October 8 - PD - No School 2nd Day of SIVA Training

October 11 - Thanksgiving

October 25 - Portfolio 5 Celebration Day - Pizza Day

October 26 and 28 -Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 29 - CRM - No School

PEROGIES COMING

IRIC will be launching our Fall annual Perogy and Sausage Fundraiser on Oct.25. Look for order forms and information in the coming weeks.



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Curricular Links

Parents can access from the Alberta Government My Child's Learning: A Parent Resource. This site provides an excellent overview of grade specific curriculum and additional resources to enhance its teaching. Alberta Education determines what students need to learn in provincial curriculum and teachers use their professional judgment to determine how students achieve the learning outcomes in the provincial

THANK YOU!

Thank you for filling out the IRIC Parent Engagement Survey. 100 out of 284 families filled out the survey, providing us with information to go forward with our planning.

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER



Students will need to be prepared for Alberta Weather each day, since most PE classes will be outside along with their grade groups. Thank you for helping your child be prepared.

OCTOBER PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCECES

Conferences will be scheduled during the **week of Oct. 25 - 28.** Your child's teacher will be communicating with you soon and will inform you how they will be conducting these conferences. The October Parent/Teacher Conferences for the 20/21 school year may look different from classroom to classroom. Some conferences may be done in person by invitation from the teacher, ensuring that all safety protocols can be followed, by phone call or by virtual meets. These conferences will focus on your child's social/emotional needs as has been the protocol at the beginning of each new school year. Teacher's are continuing to develop relationships with your child to understand the very best ways to support your child's learning and academic success. We are looking forward to meeting with you.

MASK HYGIENE

Please remind your child to bring home their mask(s) each day to be washed.

PARKING REMINDER

Parent Parking is located on the South side of the school. Please use this parking lot when dropping off or picking up your child. Please do not park in the North Parking lot as that is designated for Staff Only.

Did You Know?

School Fees can be paid online anytime by accessing your parent portal. If you are having any difficulties, please call reception 403-885-6100 at IRIC.

Please Note

Refunds for the 2020-21 school year were applied in June. As per Wolf Creek policy, if there was a credit/overpayment on your child's account, it has automatically been applied to this year's fees. Please contact the office at iri@wolfcreek.ab.ca if you have any questions.



IRIC is pleased to host Fields of Vision art exhibit at our school from Oct. 8 - Nov. 4. It promises to be an amazing exhibit. Our students and community are fortunate to have this opportunity here at IRIC.

What's Happening at IRIC?

IRIC is very excited to once again offer the Volleyball Club to our Grade 6's! Students will meet with Mrs. Leslie this week to sign up and receive information about what it will look like, and then every Day 1 & 3 from October 12th to December 1st, students will go to the gym at lunch recess (12:30-12:55) to practice. Students are required to show up consistently to remain on the team (unless the player is sick). If you have any further questions or concerns, feel free to email Mrs. Leslie atshelley.leslie@wolfcreek.ab.ca.

What's Happening at IRIC?



The **IRIC Robotics Team** is up and running! This year we have grade 4 and 5 teams along with two grade 6 teams. Teams are practicing during recess breaks to start the year to maintain cohort groups. Teams have started building their robots and are having a blast! Our season runs until the end of January when we are still planning on attending our final tournament.

The IRIC makerspace is opening for students this year! During some morning recess breaks students within cohort groups will get to sign up to head into our makerspace to build, create and explore! If you are unsure about what a makerspace is, it is a place with high and low tech tools and materials where students can build and solve problems using their imagination.





Nutrition Program

Did you know that part of our Nutrition program at IRIC provides each classroom a bowl filled with fresh fruit for our students to enjoy during the week?

Thank you to **Blackfalds IGA and Lacombe Ford** for once again supporting our program this year.

What's Happening at IRIC?

Hot Lunch and Portfolio 5 Celebration
Day - On September 23rd students
enjoyed the first hotdog lunch of the
year. Thank you to everyone who
purchased hotdogs for their children.
Watch for more fun lunches each month
that you can purchase through the
Parent Portal. Our next lunch will be
Pizza on October 25 for Portfolio 5
Celebration Day.

Portfolio 5 Celebration Day happens one day each month. On this day, the entire school celebrates student work and their efforts by reflecting and sharing their work into digital portfolios. Students have the opportunity to order hot lunch on this day as well.





Run Like Terry





IRIC studens raised \$1189.55 through Toonies for Terry. Thank you Blackfalds!!!!!!!



We held an establishment meeting on September 28 via Facebook Live. Thank you to parents who tuned in for the event. At the meeting, we went over the school council establishment regulations, and the requirements that need to be met to have an official school council. In order to proceed with school council, we must have a quorum of 5 members, and will need to fill the following positions:

Chair

Vice Chair

Secretary

Any parents interested in filling the above positions, please email Lacey Elliott, assistant principal, at lacey.elliott@wolfcreek.ab.ca. If we are unable to fill these positions by November 26, we will suspend the operation of our school council until the following year.

IRIC Parent Engagement Survey

Iron Ridge Intermediate School Administration is in the process of constructing our ACE (Assurance, Collaboration, Engagement) Plan for the 2021-22 school year. As part of our planning process, it is important to us to include feedback from the IRIC community stakeholders; staff, students and parents.

In the early Spring, Alberta Education surveyed all school staff, grade 4 four students and school parents. The Government collects and summarizes the surveys and then sends the data back to schools to use as they plan their school ACE Plan.

Historically, there has been little feedback from our parents through these government surveys. In fact only 15 families responded this past year. In an effort to bring more voices from our parent community, we asked parents to complete our own survey to collect information to inform our planning.

100/284 families completed the survey. The questions that were asked were directly related to the survey that parents were asked to complete in the Spring. This survey focused on Parent Engagement, the Program of Studies and Safe and Caring. schools The survey was sent out to parents via email twice during the week of Sept. 27 - Oct. 4. Thank you to everyone that participated in this survey. The results of this survey will be used by the IRIC administration to plan forward. A brief summary of the results of our survey follows:

Parents % Responding	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6
	44% (39/87)	38% (38/101)	33% (32/96)
How actively engaged or involved do you feel in your child's school and education.	All grades - *% responding actively engaged or very actively engaged. 62%		
How satisfied are you with "your" level of engagement and involvement with your child's school and education?	All grades - *% responding satisfactorily engaged and involved or very satisfactorily engaged and involved. 72%		
How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the opportunities students at IRIC have to learn about the following topics:	All grades - *% responding satisfied or very satisfied		
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Students treat each other well at your child's school.	All grades - *% responding agree or strongly agree 76%		
Your child is safe at school.	All grades - *% responding agree or strongly agree. 91%		
Your child is treated fairly by adults at school.	All grades - *% responding agree or strongly agree 96%		

Parents of Iron Ridge Intermediate Society

P.I.R.I.S

OCT. 2021







Stay Tuned.

PIRIS is busy planning and organizing our first fundraiser for 2021! Stay tuned for details – you won't want to miss out on this one & it will be right on time for *Christmas*!

On Sept. 16, we at PIRIS decided that our students and staff could all use a SMILE! We donated 325 smile cookies and it was worth it, seeing all the smiling eyes!





Volunteer with us and receive a <u>gift</u>
card from PIRIS & a <u>delicious</u>
delicious
meal at the bingo hall!!



Oct. 10 @ 4:30

Nov. 20 @ 4:30

Email

pirisiric@gmail.com to volunteer!

HOT LUNCH!!

WED. Oct. 13

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Family Restaurant



Join our **Facebook** page to keep up to date on events and volunteer opportunities!



Parents of Iron Ridge Intermediate Society (P.I.R.I.S)

Wolf Creek Public Schools Creating Success For All Learners Chromebook Parent Purchase Program

Wolf Creek Public Schools is

pleased to be working with BCom Computer to provide an option for our families to purchase a Chromebook that can be used to support their students' learning in Wolf In partnership with Wolf Creek Public Schools, BCom Computer has built a section of their online store specifically for Wolf Creek parents and students. This website can be accessed by navigating to the following address:

www.b-com.ca/wolfcreek/



 In order to be granted access to the Wolf Creek specific section of this website you will need to enter the following case sensitive code into the School Access Code window:

School Access Code



Success4all!

We ask that our Wolf Creek families keep this access code confidential as it pertains specifically to a program designed for Wolf Creek students. As per our agreement with BCom we are not able to extend the Parent Purchase Program to families who are not members of the Wolf Creek Public Schools community.

 Once you have successfully created an account on the Parent Purchase website, you will get access to a made for Wolf Creek selection of Chromebooks, accessories, and warranty options.

If you have any questions about the devices, warranty options, or need any other information about the Parent Purchase Program please do not hesitate to touch base with an administrator at your student's school.



 Once you have completed adding items to your virtual "shopping cart" and you choose to checkout, you will be asked to enter some personal information which is important for warranty, delivery, and set up of each Chromebook.

Each Chromebook ordered will be delivered to Wolf Creek Public Schools division office for final set up and delivery.

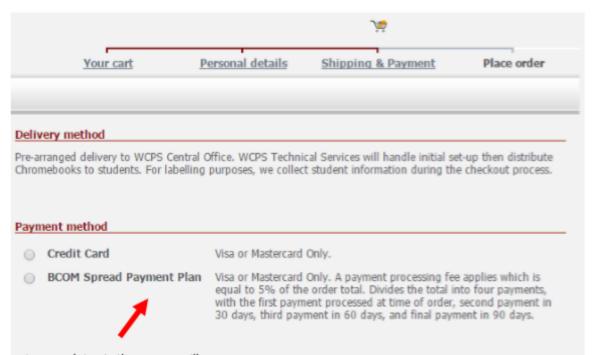
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IMPORTANT:

For each Chromebook purchased, please make sure you include the Student name, Teacher Name, and School information for each device **separately** so that we can ensure delivery of each Chromebook to the correct student.

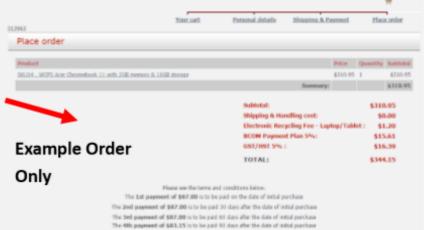
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6. The next screen / step in the process will provide you with some specific information about shipping and also the available payment options for the Parent Purchase Program.

BCom Computers offers the choice to:

- pay the total cost of the order all at once or;
- a payment plan where the total cost of the device and any optional accessories and warranty can be paid over the course of 4 payments.



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7. Once you have entered your credit card information for payment, you will need to check off "I accept the Terms and Conditions ..." button and press the Submit Order button at the very bottom of the page.

You will receive an emailed receipt at the address you provided when making your account.

Wolf Creek Public Schools will work with BCom Computer to ensure that turn around and delivery times are reasonable and meet our expectations. Your student's device will be delivered by Wolf Creek Tech Services Staff to your son / daughter's school.