

# The David Thompson Compass



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# PRIDE: .... It's What We're Going For!

# **Important Dates:**

June 1 @ 7 PM: DT's Dinner Theatre

June 2: PE 20 Hike - Allstones Lake

June 3: Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup @ Abraham Lake June 6: Gr. 8 Social Studies Field Trip

June 8 @ 6 PM: Spring Awards Ceremony (Supper @ 5 PM)

> June 14: Option 20 Field Trip

June 15: Grade 7 Orientation

June 17: Last Day of Classes - Sr. High

June 22: Last Day of Classes - Jr. High

June 28: Graduation Ceremony

# DAVID THOMPSON HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS...

"DINNER AT SEVEN, DEAD BY EIGHT"

PLEASE JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 1ST, 2016 IN DT'S GYMNASIUM

SPAGHETTI DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT COMMENCE AT 7 P.M.

ADULTS: \$10.00

CHILDREN \$5.00

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE





The grade 8s will be travelling to Edmonton on Monday, June 6.
They will spend the morning at the Edmonton Japanese
Community Association, and then travel to the Reynolds-Alberta
Museum in Wetaskiwin for the afternoon.



#### **Grade 7 Orientation**

The grade 7s from Leslieville and Condor will be visiting DTHS Wednesday, June 15 for a fun afternoon of games and team-building! The students will arrive at 11:30, just in time for a hot dog lunch. They will return home in the afternoon via school buses from DT. We look forward to meeting our future grade 8s!



#### Fighting Alberta Fires

DTHS raised \$373 for fighting Alberta Fires during the course of 1 week, and our Students in Action group generously donated \$500 to the cause, for a grand total of \$873!

## **Grade 9 Provincial Achievement Exams**

Tuesday May 10	Gr. 9 English Language Arts Exam Part A - Written
9:00 – 11:00 am	
Monday June 20	Gr. 9 Science
9:00 – 10:15 am	
Wednesday June 22	Grade 9 Mathematics
9:00 – 10:30 am	
Thursday June 23	Gr. 9 English Language Arts Part B – Multiple Choice
9:00 – 10:15 am	
Friday June 24	Gr. 9 Social Studies
9:00 – 10:20 am	

When the Grade 9 students have completed their examination they will be assigned to a study session or are allowed to be picked up from school. If you are having your child picked up from school please send a note granting permission. If there is no note the student will remain at school in an assigned classroom.

# Grade 12 Diploma Exams

English Language Arts 30 – 1 Part A – Written 9:00 am – 12:00 pm					
English Language Arts 30 – 2 Part A – Written 9:00 am – 12:00 p					
Social Studies 30 – 1 Part A – Written 9:00 am – 12:00 pm					
Social Studies 30 – 2 Part A – Written 9:00 am – 11:30 am					
English Language Arts 30 – 1 Part BO 9:00 am – 12:00 pm					
English Language Arts 30 -2 Part B 9:00 am – 12:00 pm					
Social Studies 30 – 1 Part B 9:00 am – 11:30 am Social Studies 30 – 2 Part B 9:00 am – 11:30 am					
					Biology 30 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Chemistry 30 9:00 am – 12:00 pm					
Math 30 - 1 9:00 am – 12:00 pm					
Math 30 – 2 9:00 am – 12:00 pm					
Physics 30 9:00 am – 12:00 pm					
Science 30 9:00 am – 12:00 pm					

The last day of classes for students in Grades 10 - 12 is Friday June 17, 2016.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
13 ELA 30 Part A	14 Social 30 Part A	15	16 ELA 30 Part B	17 LAST DAY OF CLASSES - SR Social 30 Part B
20 Science PAT Social Studies 20	21	22 LAST DAY OF CLASSES - JR Math PAT Biology 30 Biology 20 Math 20-2 Social Studies 10	Chemistry 30 ELA PAT Part B Science 8 (AM) Social 8 (PM) English 20	24 Math 30 Social PAT ELA 8 (AM) Math 8 (PM) Math 20-1
27 Physics 30	28 Graduation	English 10	Science 10 Math 10	



#### 2016 Badminton Season Results

Macy Kotanko & Jayce McMeekin—3rd Place Tabatha Angliss & Dalton Pollitt—3rd Place Alyssa Ahlstrom & Claudia Turuk—1st Place







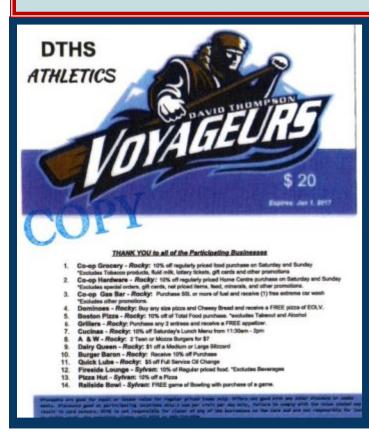
# The following students will be representing DTHS at Track & Field Provincials in Edmonton on June 3rd & 4th:



- Makayla Beisal
- Alexis Hainsworth
- Kevin Szymanek

Congratulations and good luck!





The <u>Voyageurs Athletics</u> Savings Card is back again! The cards feature many great deals and lots of savings from local businesses. For each \$20 savings card a student sells, they will receive a \$10 credit towards school fees, field trip fees, sports fees etc. What an amazing program—support our students and buy a card today!

# DTHS Athletics

# June 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
	'	3:15-5 Track & Field	Drama Production		Track Provincials	Track Provincials
			Dinner at 7, Dead by 8			
			3:15-5 Track & Field			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		·	Black & Blue Athletic Award @ 6 p.m.	· ·		·
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
10	20	21	22	22	24	25
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		
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		Important Reminders				

# **BLACK & BLUE**

# **AWARDS**

June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 6 pm at DTHS \$6 Beef on a Bun

\*Supper will be served from 5-6 pm

If you participated in one or multiple DT sports you will be receiving a certificate of recognition.

Other awards that will be given out:

MVP, MIP, Rookie & Coaches Award for Basketball & Volleyball

Coach's Award for Golf, Cross Country, Badminton, T & F and Wrestling

**Outstanding Contribution to Sports Award** 

JR & SR Athletes of the Year

Scorekeeping and Reffing

Volunteer and Business of the Year

To help with meal planning please let the office know if you will be attending and how many will be purchasing supper.



# **Attention Grade 12 Students Headed for Post-Secondary**



#### Scholarships:

Be sure to apply for all scholarships you are eligible for. The local scholarships listed below must include an application in order for you to win. Many applications are due at the end of May. See Mrs. Thompson for application forms and information. Check also for other sources of \$\$, including your post-secondary institution.

- Rocky Mountain House Credit Union
- Rocky Agricultural Society
- Eckville Coop
- Rocky Mountain House Rotary Club
- Rocky Mountain House Hospital Auxiliary
- Clearwater County
- Rocky REA
- Repsol Oil and Gas Canada
- Dr Martha Kostuck Environmental Education Fund
- RAP Scholarships

#### Course Registrations

If you haven't done so yet, be sure to register for the courses you wish to take in the fall. Courses at optimal times in the day fill up quickly so if you want to control your school day, register ASAP.



#### **News From Parent Council**



Parent Council has used some of the Casino money for the following items for DTHS:

- **Staging**
- Laminator
- Theatre tickets
- **Busing for fieldtrips**
- Volleyball uniforms

Parent Council had wrapped up for the year. See you in September!







School redesign changes, it has been an incredible school year. I am hoping that parents and students are both enjoying the PowerSchool attendance and marks portal. If you or your student is not already set up for PowerSchool access, please call the school. This will greatly aid in communication from the school on the progress of your child. As the number of students in our school declines for next year, we will see budget cuts and some more changes for the upcoming school year. These challenges will be met head-on and we will continue to focus on students and ensure we are providing our community with the best education possible. Although we are now in the very busy spring season, please help your child to prepare for their final exams. Alberta Education has a wealth of information on Grade 9 Provincial Achievement Tests and Grade 12 Diploma **Exams.** You can look at this site to see what is expected for students writing English Language Arts and Social Studies exams: https://education.alberta.ca/. Click on Junior High or Senior High and follow the links. It is an excellent resource to help prepare students and parents. Please feel free to call the school if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you and have an excellent month!















































Mr. Miles Trieber, Principal























Science 8: text the message @sc8a to 450-233-0041

Science 9A: text the message @sc9a to 450-233-0041 Science 9B: text the message @sc9b to 450-233-0041 Ms. Caron invites you to subscribe to Remind!

Social Studies 8: text the message @dths8 to 709-757-0178 Social Studies 9A: text the message @ss9a to 709-757-0178

Social Studies 9B: text the message @ss9b to 709-757-0178



Mrs. Morrish invites you to subscribe to Remind!

Math 8: <a href="https://www.remind.com/join/math8dths">https://www.remind.com/join/math8dths</a>

Math 9: https://www.remind.com/join/math9dths





# **Distance Education News**



David Thompson is a small school that works hard to accommodate all students. One accommodation is Distance Education, where students can take courses that are not taught at the school or will not fit into a student's timetable.

All Distance Education modules must be completed by June 14. Finals must be written by June 21.

Questions? Please contact Linda Tomlinson, linda.tomlinson@wrsd.ca or phone the School at 403-729-3930.

# Career Corner - June 2016

Work Experience: Work Experience is a high school credit course that allows students to receive credits for working, paid or unpaid. Students receive a credit for every 25 hours of work they complete but they must put in a minimum of 125 hours with one employer. Depending on the number of hours worked, students can receive up to 30 high school credits in Work Experience, 10 credits per grade level.

Before the students can start to claim Work Experience hours, they need to fill out a contract that the parents, student and employer sign. Once this is handed in, I visit the location at a time that is convenient to all. There will also be a final visit to allow the employer to fill in a student evaluation.

It is up to the student/employer to keep track of hours which have to be handed into the school. This can be in the form of a signed sheet or pay

Students that will be over 15 years of age and enrolled in grades 10 - 12 next year should consider doing Work Experience over the summer.

Contracts can be picked up at the Career Centre or from Linda Tomlinson.

Contracts should be in by the end of June. Students that find jobs during the summer should email linda.tomlinson@wrsd.ca

## Great Canadían Shoreline Cleanup @ Abraham Lake

We're taking a group of students out to Abraham Lake on June 3rd to participate in the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup.

This is a terrific way for our students to show their respect for the environment while enjoying the beauty of Abraham Lake!

DTHS is so proud of our students for participating in this important event!

#### DRESS CODE REMINDER - Students are expected to:



- dress in a clean, neat manner
- not wear headgear in the school during school hours
- wear shoes at all times
- when appropriate, wear shorts and skirts of a reasonable length (Plus or minus one inch of arms straight down at student's side)
- no halter, backless, spaghetti, strapless, or short tops to school
- always wear a shirt (pinnies provided in P. Ed.)
- never wear shirts with unbecoming pictures, profane words or obscene slogans
- never wear fashion accessories that may be deemed to be dangerous



#### Positive Relationships

Resiliency is a child's ability to bounce back from difficult circumstances. Relationships matter. The people we grow up with, the people we admire and the people we let into our lives all have a powerful influence in shaping who we are.

When you help your child to develop confidence and security, they will be better equipped to deal with the pressures that can come from belonging to a group of peers. They'll have the strength to support positive friendships, and to say no to things that make them uncomfortable or that they believe are not right. Here are a few ways you can teach your child to develop and participate in positive relationships with others.

#### Be a positive role model.

Role modeling is a part of every parent's and caregiver's role. It's not always easy being a role model, but it's important to keep in mind that what you say and do is one of the biggest influences on your child. Somebody's watching you!

Think about how your behavior affects your child. You can't always be calm and cheerful— nobody is. Besides, your child needs to see that you can express real feelings in a healthy way. As they grow up, they'll learn by your example. And they will have your example to follow in years to come, when they are coping with the challenges of adulthood.

#### Talk about feelings.

When we don't talk about feelings like loneliness or anger, these feelings hang around. They can get bottled up until eventually they spill over in some other way. Simply listening to your child can be a big help. It tells them that their feelings are important, and that you're willing to share those troubles. When you encourage your child to recognize feelings and talk about them, they will gain a better understanding of their problems. It also helps them to think about other people's feelings and problems.

All feelings are valid. When you take time to listen and encourage your child to express their feelings, you're building a trusting relationship that will help your child to know they can count on you for support.

#### Build your child's self-confidence.

Children who can face the world with confidence will be more likely to make healthy choices, and less likely to turn to alcohol, other drugs or gambling to ease the way in social situations. It is never too soon (or too late) to talk to your child about getting along with others, respecting other people's feelings, appreciating the value of real friends, and understanding their own worth as a uniqueperson. Resiliency comes from being connected to people, finding common interests and participating in a community. That's why developing healthy relationship skills is so important to becoming resilient! A child with strong family support and well-developed social skills and abilities, such as decision-making skills and self-confidence, becomes a teen who is more likely to avoid ever having problems with alcohol, tobacco, other drugs or gambling.

Rania Page, School Based Prevention

Addiction & Mental Health, 4920 - 51 street, 403-340-5274

rania.page@ahs.ca



#### **Breakfast for Learning**

Our school's nutrition program is proudly funded by Breakfast for Learning. Thanks to their support, we are able to offer our students a healthy meal or snack during the school day.

Breakfast for Learning is a national charity that is committed to ensuring students attend school well nourished and ready to learn, giving them the best chance of success in life.

In the 2013/14 school year, Breakfast for Learning funded 2,402 breakfast, lunch and snack programs, served 251,531 children and youth and provided over 40 million nourishing meals and snacks.

Since 1992, Breakfast for Learning has helped serve over 510 million meals to children and youth across Canada.

For more information, please visit breakfastforlearning.ca.

#### Raoul Wallenberg Saved Jews From Death



Raoul Wallenberg gave out Schutz Passes. They served as Swedish passports and anyone who possessed one could not be deported. Wallenberg issued 15 000 Schutz Passes in six months. He did this to rescue Hungarian Jews from death. He signed as many passes as he could before he disappeared.

#### The Pearson Peace Medal Award



Each year the United Association in Canada honours the Canadians for their outstanding achievements for International service in the field. The Peace Medal is awarded to the Canadians who have personally contributed to causes which Lester B. Pearson devoted his life to. They contributed through their working lives and voluntary commitments.

LA 8 Response to the Article "What I Learned from Raoul Wallenberg"



## Has Your Contact Information Changed?



If your mailing address, telephone numbers or email address have changed, please contact Ashley in the office:



ashley.gaehring@wrsd.ca or 403-729-3930



#### **Please Note:**

The DTHS office will no longer automatically print receipts for fee payments. If you require a receipt, please contact the school office and we will be happy to send one home with your child.

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