Copperhaven School Communiqué

November 16, 2021

Dates to Remember

• Nov 17 Copperhaven School Council 6:30-8:00, virtual meeting

Remembrance Day

A meaningful Remembrance Day ceremony was held at Copperhaven School on Friday, November 5th. In the days leading up to Remembrance Day we invited members of our community to send in photos and short biographies of family members who had served in the Canadian Armed Forces. The display was set up in the library for our students to put faces and names to the act of remembrance. Thank you to all of the contributors to our memory wall.

Basketball Season

School basketball season is near and the gym has been opened for students in grades 5-9 to get warmed up for tryouts during scheduled lunch hours. Stay tuned for tryout dates and times!

Individual Education Plans (IEPs)

If you have received an email notifying you that your child's IEP has been completed and is ready for viewing, please login to the Parent Portal on PowerSchool. The IEP link is found on the left hand navigation pane. Once you have read the document, please complete the electronic sign off. If you have any difficulty accessing the document please notify your child's teacher.

Immunization Information for Parents

Many parents have had questions regarding school immunizations this year. Here are the highlights for this year.

- **Current Grade 6 students** should have had an information and consent package sent home for Hepatitis B and Human Papilloma Virus vaccines. These are scheduled with the school in October or November. Second doses will be scheduled 6 months later.
- **Current Grade 9 students** will be receiving consent/information packages home in later November or December for dTap (Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis) and Meningococcal Vaccines. These are to be scheduled at the school in the New Year.
- **Current Grade 7 and 8 students** who did not complete Grade 6 vaccines will be updated at the school between January and April 2022. If your child had a signed consent in Grade 6 it is valid for this second dose.
- Please note that there is no longer a spacing recommendation between the above vaccines, influenza vaccine and COVID 19 vaccines.
- Students who are 12 years of age (or turning 12 years of age by December 31st of 2021) are eligible for COVID-19 vaccinations. Bookings for first and second doses are available province wide. Albertans can book appointments through AHS online at <u>ahs.ca/covidvaccine</u>, by calling 811 or through <u>participating pharmacies</u>. First and second dose walk-in clinics are also available at multiple locations. Please refer to the following

link for information on routine and seasonal immunization information: <u>Routine and</u> <u>seasonal immunization during COVID-19 frequently asked questions (FAQ) (alberta.ca)</u>

For tips on preparing your child for immunizations, please refer to <u>https://www.immunize.ca/pain-management-children</u>

If you have any immunization related questions or concerns, please contact your School Health Nurses at 780 968 4268 or 780 984 0342.

Thank you!

COVID-19 Vaccine Frequently Asked Questions | Alberta Health Services