

# Delburne Centralized School

## Weekly Update

May 1, 2025

### STAFFING UPDATE

Ms. Kaytlin Betts has given us permission to share that after 8 years of dedicated service to our students, Ms. Betts will be transferring to Fox Run School in Sylvan Lake next year. Ms. Betts is excited for her new school to be 3 minutes away from her family home! During her time at Delburne School, Ms. Betts has been such an important part of our team, bringing incredible energy, unwavering dedication, and a deep commitment to her students. Her passion for both English and Art has enriched the learning experiences of so many. While we will miss Ms. Betts' contributions to Delburne School, we are also excited for her as she embarks on this new chapter in her career at Fox Run School.

Mr. David Dale has given us permission to share that he is announcing his resignation from teaching within Chinook's Edge School Division. As some of you know, Mr. Dale recently took a leave of absence to pursue a teaching opportunity at TaOtha School on the Big Horn Reserve. We want to thank Mr. Dale for being a dedicated member of our team for many years, and we are grateful for his commitment to the students of Delburne School during that time. We wish Mr. Dale the very best as he moves forward!

We are pleased to welcome Ms. Arielle Slijker to the Delburne School team. Ms. Slijker will be stepping into the High School English role as Ms. Kaytlin Betts transitions to Fox Run School in Sylvan to be closer to her family. Ms. Slijker is a highly qualified and passionate teacher who brings a wealth of experience and a deep commitment to student success. She holds a Bachelor of Education and a Bachelor of Arts focusing on History and English. Ms. Slijker taught high school English in Manitoba for multiple years. In addition, she had the opportunity to develop curriculum and instruction as part of the Department of Education in Winnipeg. Her teaching experience spans a variety of grade levels and settings, and she has also led her own homeschool program. We are excited to have Ms. Slijker join our team and look forward to the positive impact she will have on our students.

In addition, Mr. Andrew Kartusch has accepted a teaching position at Delburne School next year. He holds a Bachelor of Education from Burman University and also holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from MacEwan University. Mr. Kartusch brings a significant skillset to our school, including extensive leadership and teamwork skills. Mr. Kartusch has been the captain of the MacEwan University Griffins hockey team, as well as the Drumheller Dragons AJHL team. Further, he has coached Indigenous youth in the Northwest Territories. His experience coaching highlights his commitment to mentorship and supporting the growth of young individuals. Mr. Kartusch's strong communication skills, reliability, and numerous academic and athletic achievements make him a well-rounded teacher eager to contribute to Delburne School.

We are pleased to share that Ms. Kaylee Raniseth has also accepted a teaching position at Delburne School for the upcoming year. Ms. Raniseth is a dedicated and enthusiastic educator who brings energy, passion, and a deep commitment to student success. She holds a Bachelor of Education from Red Deer Polytechnic, specializing in Middle Years. Ms. Raniseth has a strong personal connection to the Delburne community, and she is excited to return in a professional capacity to support our students. Outside the classroom, Ms. Raniseth leads a very active lifestyle. She competes in curling at the national level, teaches aerial silks, and coaches youth softball—demonstrating her commitment to teamwork and youth mentorship. These experiences complement her teaching practice and allow her to connect with students.

We are excited to welcome back Mrs. Chelsey Christensen for the upcoming school year. She has accepted a position in an elementary role, continuing her work from the past few years. Mrs. Christensen brings an upbeat and positive energy to the classroom and the school community. She is dedicated to helping her students establish a strong foundation in literacy, academic skills, and social-emotional development. Whether it's through hands-on activities, collaborative projects, or thematic units, Mrs. Christensen builds a classroom filled with excitement and a genuine passion for learning.

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### HIGH SCHOOL LEADERSHIP: TROJAN WEEK

The High School Leadership students are excited to present “Trojan Week” from May 12-15. All students will be placed on a team (Team Blue, Team Red, Team Green, and Team Yellow) and will be given a corresponding bracelet to wear for the week. Each day, the High School Leadership students will be running different activities and competitions where teams can earn points. At the end of the week, the team with the most amount of points wins! The activities include:

Monday, May 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Each student will be given a coloured bracelet first thing in the morning. This bracelet will indicate what colour of team they are on. These bracelets will stay on the students for the week.</li><li>• Leadership students will be serving breakfast</li><li>• There will be a school assembly to discuss Trojan Week as well as a “Heads and Tails” competition</li><li>• Winning students will receive points for their team.</li></ul>
Tuesday, May 13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Colored Straw Game: Coloured straws will be hidden around the school. All students will look for straws that match their OWN team colour.</li><li>• The colour team that finds the most matching coloured straws will win points!</li></ul>
Wednesday, May 14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pajama Day: Students are asked to dress up in pajamas on this day. The team with the most people dressed up in pajamas will win points!</li><li>• Food Drive Competition: Students are asked to bring in non-perishable food items on this day. All Food Bank items can be brought to the office and students can place them in their coloured bin. The colour team that brings in the most Food Bank items will win points. The Food Bank Drive will be judged at 2:00 p.m.</li></ul>
Thursday, May 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Colour Day: Students are asked to dress up in their team colour</li><li>• Outdoor Capture the Flag game</li><li>• Announcement of the winning Trojan Team!</li></ul>

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### WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten registration is open for the 2025-2026 school year. You can register anytime online at <https://www.cesd73.ca/programs/early-childhood-services>.

If you are still interested in attending the Welcome to Kindergarten evening on May 5 at 6:30, please contact Mrs. Page.

Students need to be 5 by December 31, 2025. Birth Certificate Required.

### MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

May 5-11 is Mental Health. We will be supporting mental health by running two different events:

- Let's Chalk About It Campaign: MJ, our Yes worker, is leading the initiative for students to prepare positive mental health messages written in chalk, throughout the community of Delburne. Watch to see our students in action during the week of May 5-11! Thank you to FCSS for purchasing the chalk for this event.
- Hats On for Mental Health: On Wednesday, May 7, students and staff across Alberta are invited to take part in *Hats On for Mental Health*. On this day, students and staff can participate by wearing hats to school and engaging in conversations focused on understanding mental health and the importance of removing the stigma associated with mental illness. Mentally healthy students are more resilient and better able to learn, achieve success and build healthy relationships.

### HOT LUNCH

- *Friday, May 30th*, KFC hot lunch is going to be *moved* to **Thursday, May 29th**, this is due to the grade 7 Food Trucks.
- Ice Cream orders are now available online for May and June, as well as a Sundae order!
- Next week's hot dog and Subway orders are due tonight at midnight. Order before it's too late.

<https://www.studentquickpay.com/chinook/>

### SOAPBOX DATE CHANGE

Due to a scheduling conflict, we have had to change the date of our Soapbox Derby. Please note that the new date will take place on **Monday, June 16th**.

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### AG FOR LIFE- RURAL SAFETY DAY GRADES 7 - 12

With spring here and seeding starting in our community, our Grade 7 - 12 students have the wonderful opportunity to connect with the program called Ag For Life. On Monday, May 5th, the students will rotate through stations related to agriculture and rural safety. In addition to the fun interactive games, the students will receive a free pair of gloves and safety glasses. We are excited for this timely and very valuable presentation.

### THE CLIMB YOUTH CONFERENCE

On Wednesday, May 7th a group of High School girls will have an opportunity to attend The Climb conference in Red Deer. This conference focuses on topics such as social pressure, self-esteem, resilience building, fitness, nutrition, and more.

### FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

The following is the final exam schedule for the grade 6 - 12 students, so everyone is aware of these important upcoming dates.

Date	Teacher	Exam
Wed. May 28	Ms. Schlag	Grade 6 ELA Part A PAT
Thurs. May 29	Ms. Betts	Grade 9 ELA Part A PAT
Thurs. June 12	Ms. Betts	Grade 9 ELA Part B PAT
	Ms. Schlag	Grade 6 ELA & Lit Part B PAT
Fri. June 13	Ms. Schlag	Grade 6 Math Part A PAT
Mon. June 16	Ms. Betts	Eng. 20-1, 20-2 Part A FINAL
Tues. June 17	Mr. Schultz	Math 30-1 Diploma/ Math 30-2 Diploma
	Ms. Ray	Soc 20-1, 20-2 Part A FINAL
	Ms. Schlag	Grade 6 Math Part B
Wed. June 18	Ms. McArthur	Grade 9 Social Studies PAT
Thursday, June 19, 2025 - LAST DAY OF CLASSES FOR GRADE 9 - 12		
EXAM WEEK June 20 - 26, 2025		
Fri. June 20	Mr. Harke	Bio 30 Diploma
	Ms. Betts	English 20-1, 20-2 Part B FINAL
	Mr. Schultz	Science 10 FINAL
	Mr. Simpson	Science 10 FINAL
	Ms. Kozey	Math 7 FINAL

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	Ms. Nelson	ELA 8 FINAL
Mon. June 23	Mr. Simpson	Chem 30 Diploma
	Ms. Ray	Social 20-1, 20-2 Part B
	Ms. Nelson	ELA 7 FINAL
	Ms. Kozey	Math 8 FINAL
Tues. June 24	Mr. Simpson	Physics 20 FINAL
	Mr. Simpson	Science 24 FINAL
	Mr. Schultz	Math 10C FINAL
	Mr. Harke	Math 10-3 FINAL
	Ms. Kozey	Science 8 FINAL
	Ms. Nelson	Social 7 FINAL
Wed. June 25	Ms. Nelson	Social 8 FINAL
	Ms. Kozey	Science 7 FINAL
Thursday, June 26, 2025 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL Dismissal at noon. REPORT CARDS Friday, June 27, 2025 - PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY		

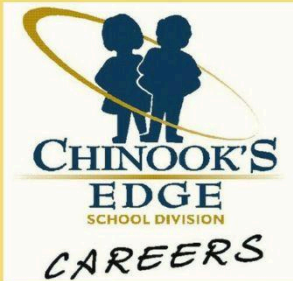
### ON THE CALENDAR

MONDAY May 5	TUESDAY May 6	WEDNESDAY May 7	THURSDAY May 8	FRIDAY May 9
Welding @ Olds College  Bus Driver Appreciation Day  Ag for Life Activities Gr 7 - 12  Junior Badminton 3:30 if anyone moves on to CWAJHAA  Welcome to Kindergarten Night 6:30 p.m.  Soapbox Parent Night 6:00 p.m.	World of Choice Field Trip - Gr 10  Green Certificate Testing  Possible Jr Badminton CWAJAHAA  BGC Kids Club 3:10 -5:00  Youth Keystone 5:30-7:30	Hot Dog Day  Hats on for Mental Health  The Climb Field Trip  Green Certificate Testing  Possible Jr Badminton CWAJAHAA	Possible Jr Badminton CWAJAHAA	Kindergarten Friday  Subway Hot Lunch



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# School Bus Drivers WANTED



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Staff/Spare Bus Drivers

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# ROCK THE DIPLOMA

- A high-impact Diploma Exam prep weekend for Central Alberta students -



Register Online:

<https://lindsaythurber.rdpsd.ab.ca/students/career-centre/rock-the-diploma>

### WEEKEND 1:

**JUNE 6, 7, 8**

English 30-1

Social 30-1

Math 30-1A\*

(9:45 AM start on Sat & Sun)

Biology 30A

\$135 per course in one weekend

### WEEKEND 2:

**JUNE 13, 14, 15**

Biology 30B

Chemistry 30A

Math 30-1B\*

(9:45 AM start on Sat & Sun)

Math 30-2

\$135 per course in one weekend

### WEEKEND 3:

**JUNE 20, 21, 22**

Chemistry 30B

Physics 30

\$135 per course in one weekend

Schedule:

Friday:

6:00 PM - 9:30 PM

Saturday:

10:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Sunday:

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

