



JANUARY 5-9, 2026

DECEMBER 22 to JANUARY 2 - Christmas Break (no school)

JANUARY 5 - school resumes

JANUARY 8 - PTA meeting and grad planning meeting

JANUARY 27 - last day of classes for semester 1

JANUARY 30 - PD Day (no school)

FEBRUARY 2 - first day of semester 2



[2025-2026 BGSD Division Calendar](#)

CHRISTMAS  
ELVES

[www.devonchristmaselves.com](http://www.devonchristmaselves.com)



## POST-SECONDARY OPEN HOUSE INFORMATION

Post-secondary open house info is available on the digital billboard in the JMHS student lounge!

[2025 - Alberta Post-Secondary Open House Info](#)

## OFF-CAMPUS PROGRAMMING AND WORK EXPERIENCE

To sign-up for work experience during the school year, RAP or the Green Certificate program, please see Mrs. van Steenis during block 2 in the office or contact her by email at: [kim.vansteenis@blackgold.ca](mailto:kim.vansteenis@blackgold.ca)

Sign-up for the Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP) presentation on September 25 in the office!

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## PARENT TEACHER ADVISORY COUNCIL

Parents/Guardians – If you are interested in a role on the parent teacher advisory council, please contact the principal, Jon Ganton, at [jon.ganton@gshare.blackgold.ca](mailto:jon.ganton@gshare.blackgold.ca) for more information. All parents, guardians or current JMHS students are welcome to attend!

**The next PTA meeting will be held on Thursday, January 8 from 6-8pm in the JMHS conference room!**

Future PTA meeting dates are:

January 8	May 7
February 12	June 4
April 9	

## STUDENTS' UNION

Students' Union will be hosting their meetings every Thursday at lunch in room 105! Anyone who missed out on signing up or the first meeting can still join!

## LAKE LOUISE SKI TRIP - FEBRUARY 27

SKI TRIP REGISTRATION  
OPENS TO ALL STUDENTS ON  
DECEMBER 15 AT 9AM  
ON YOUR POWERSCHOOL ACCOUNT



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## SCHOOL FEES

School fees have been posted to your [PowerSchool account](#). Your semester 1 fees are now overdue. To pay fees, you must log-in to PowerSchool on a browser and not the app. If you haven't set-up a PowerSchool account, please do so as soon as possible.

## ABSENCE REPORTING

BGSD will be implementing a new absence reporting system this year with SafeArrival starting August 27!

For more information, please visit the [JMHS website](#) and download the app today!



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## GRAD INFO

**The JMHS 2026 convocation ceremony will  
be held on May 23, 2026 at 11am  
Hope City Church (2225 66 St NW)**

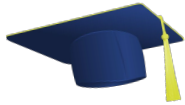
**The graduation banquet will be held in the  
evening of May 23, 2026 at the  
Wyndham Edmonton Hotel and Conference Centre.  
More details will be available closer to the date!**

**[Wyndham Hotel Room Booking Information](#)**

**The next student/parent planning meeting will be held on  
Thursday, January 8 at 6pm in the JMHS library.**

**We hope to see you there!**

**Graduation photos will be held on February 10-11 at JMHS.  
Please click on the link below for info  
and to book your grad photos!**



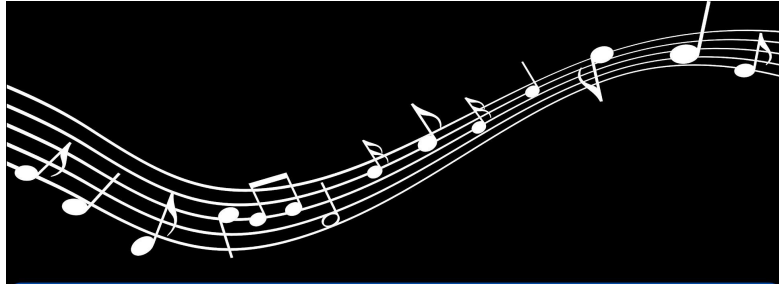
**[JMHS 2026 Grad Photo Booking and Information](#)**





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## JMHS/RMS BAND BOTTLE DRIVE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10TH  
10AM TO 4PM

WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!



GET YOUR

## OFFICIAL GEAR

We have opened the JMHS store to purchase school spirit wear! You can order at anytime and have the gear shipped to your house.

[JMHS ENTRIPY SHOP](#)

If you would like to place an order through the school to save on shipping, please [email us!](#)

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# PIZZA TIME



**PIZZA FRIDAYS!**

GET A SLICE OF DOMINO'S PIZZA  
AT THE CANTEEN LOCATED IN  
THE STUDENT LOUNGE!

**\$2.50**



**JMHS  
STUDENTS' UNION**



Sign out a Family Pass to the  
Leduc Recreation Centre at the Library!



How does the pass work?

- The LRC Family Pass is valid for 2 adults and all children living in the same household.
- Sign out your LRC Family Pass for FREE from the Library.
- This pass will provide you and your family with access to all of the amenities at the LRC. Enjoy the Aquatic Centre, Arenas, Courts, Fieldhouse, Fitness Centre and Indoor Track.
- Passes are valid for a one week time period.
- After your one week rental, return the LRC Family Pass back to the Library for other families to enjoy.

Visit [Live.Leduc.ca](#) for the latest drop-in activity schedule.  
Get moving. Start having fun. Be connected - today!



Leduc.ca/LRC  
[@leducrecreationcentre](#)

**SIGN OUT THE LRC PASS IN THE LIBRARY!**



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## LIBRARY CORNER



We are in full festive mode in the library! Encourage your student to come in and participate in our Christmas Contest; guess the staff members' favourite Christmas movie for a chance to win prizes!

The library will be undergoing a renovation during the Christmas break. Please ensure all overdue items are returned no later than December 12th. Books will be unavailable for checkout from December 12th to January 12th. Your student is welcome to come in before December 12th to stock up on Christmas reading!



## Your School's Digital Library

School's Out? Reading is IN!  
How much can YOU read?

### How to find Digital Resources?

On the Library homepage, use the dropdown to select preferred format



Search by title, author or topic, and embark on your digital reading adventure!

### Did you know...

- You can borrow any ebook or audiobook using any device **ANYTIME, 24/7**. Just log in with your student account!
- There are 5000 different ebooks to choose from, and 1412 different audiobooks!
- Ebooks and audiobooks will **NEVER** be late! Automatic returns on item due dates.
- Ebooks will have this icon
- Audiobooks will have this icon

Ask your **librarian** for help!  
Visit [destiny.blackgold.ca](https://destiny.blackgold.ca) for access!



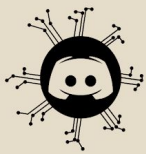


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**PRESENTED BY YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCILS - HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL, JOHN MALAND HIGH SCHOOL, RIVERVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL AND ROBINA BAKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

# Online Safety PRESENTATION

The Alberta Law Enforcement Response Teams (ALERT) Internet Child Exploitation (ICE) unit welcomes all parents & caregivers to attend an evening information session on the realities of Internet child exploitation in Alberta, and strategies to navigate these issues in an open and collaborative way with your children.



## JOIN US

**January 22, 2026  
6:30 PM**

**Devon Community Centre  
20 Haven Ave  
Room TBD**

Please note the presentation runs approx. 2 hours



Learn more

## ALERT





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## GAME ON! COMMUNITY GAME NIGHTS

Every 2nd &  
4th Tuesday.  
6:30-8:30pm  
DEVON COMMUNITY CENTRE

BOARD GAMES.  
CARD GAMES.  
GROUP GAMES.  
CLASSIC & NEW GAMES.

Whether you are a whizz or a newbie, by yourself or with a group, with over 100 games to choose from - there will be something for everyone, and hosts to welcome you and show you the ropes.



FREE

ALL AGES  
(under 14 must be  
accompanied)

COME ALONE  
OR WITH  
FRIENDS &  
FAMILY

## YOUTH XTRA

This whole life thing.  
**SORTED.**



Money & Financial. Cooking & Nutrition. Communication. Social Skills. Employability. Health & Hygiene. Mental Health & Wellbeing. Home & Vehicle Maintenance. Healthy Relationships & More!

WEDNESDAYS FROM SEP 24, 6-8PM.

FREE. OPEN TO AGES 13-17

UPSTAIRS, 1949 BUILDING, 5 JASPER COURT S.

What's on each week: [www.devon.ca/xtra](http://www.devon.ca/xtra)



Life. Skills. Worth. Knowing.



FREE, ONLINE MENTORSHIP PROGRAM WITH STUDENTS  
FROM UOFT, MCGILL, UWATERLOO, QUEENS!

## BTC 1-on-1 Mentorship Program

deadline for  
mentees:  
Sept. 22nd,  
2025



*Ease your transition from high  
school to university*



register now

Be paired with a current university  
student based on your  
program/university of interest, career  
aspirations, hobbies/extracurriculars!

[bridgetocampus.net](http://bridgetocampus.net)

website

[@bridge\\_to\\_campus](https://www.instagram.com/bridge_to_campus)

instagram

TUTORS FOR AFFORDABLE EDUCATION

## Tutoring Sessions



Need help with Math, Physics, Biology, Chemistry, English,  
Social Studies or any class in your school?

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

Starting: TBD



Connect with a tutor in  
person during one of our  
sessions run by university  
student volunteers!  
Our sessions are completely  
free - check our website for  
dates and locations!

Starting: Now

If you're unable to make  
an in-person session, you  
can also arrange 1 hour  
online sessions directly with  
a tutor. Use the link on our  
website to access the booking  
site or email us!



ONLINE VIA GOOGLE MEET

Visit our website or email for more information!

[www.tutorsae.ca](http://www.tutorsae.ca) | [tutorsae@ualberta.ca](mailto:tutorsae@ualberta.ca)

NOTE: Have your homework/resources available





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## Caregiver Education Team Newsletter

### December 2025



Recovery Alberta is proud to offer **FREE** online programming to caregivers of school-age children and youth as well as adults in the community who want to learn more about addiction and mental health topics.

Sessions are offered online through the Zoom conferencing application. A link to access the online session will be sent by email to those who have registered for the session.

#### December Education Sessions

##### **More than Just a Bad Day** *Understanding Depression*

For adults supporting their own wellness or the wellness of a loved one.

Monday, December 1  
12:00 – 1:00 pm

##### **Resilience through Connecting, Caring, and Coping**

For adults supporting their own wellness or the wellness of a loved one.

Monday, December 8  
12:00 – 1:00 pm

#### January Education Sessions

##### **Understanding Anxiety Series**

For adults supporting their own wellness or supporting the wellness of children and teens.

**Part 1:**  
**An Introduction**  
Wednesday, January 7  
12:00 – 1:00 pm

**Part 2:**  
**Calming Our Bodies**  
Wednesday, January 14  
12:00 – 1:00 pm

**Part 3:**  
**Settling Our Minds**  
Wednesday, January 21  
12:00 – 1:00 pm

**Part 4:**  
**Overcoming Avoidance**  
Wednesday, January 28  
12:00 – 1:00 pm

#### January Education Sessions

##### **Body Image and Eating Disorders**

For parents and caregivers supporting teens (Grades 7-12)

**Part 1:**  
Tuesday, January 20  
12:00 – 1:00 pm

**Part 2:**  
Tuesday, January 27  
12:00 – 1:00 pm



Professional Practice & Education Services  
Edmonton

For more information, visit [www.cyfcaregivereducation.ca](http://www.cyfcaregivereducation.ca)





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# January Education Sessions

These free adult sessions are intended to provide community members with information and strategies regarding addiction and mental health challenges that can affect us all. When topics are presented as a series, participants can attend one or all sessions.

## Understanding Anxiety Series

### Part 1: An Introduction

This session will distinguish between normal worries and anxiety that is no longer helpful or productive and will help participants to identify signs that they or their child/youth may be experiencing anxiety.

**Date: Wednesday, January 7, 2026**

**Time: 12:00 – 1:00 pm**

For adults supporting their own wellness or the wellness of children and youth.

### Part 2: Calming Our Bodies

In this session, we will review how the body reacts to stress triggers, ways we can start to notice the body's stress responses, and strategies for regulating ourselves, children, and youth.

**Date: Wednesday, January 14, 2026**

**Time: 12:00 – 1:00 pm**

For adults supporting their own wellness or the wellness of children and youth.

### Part 3: Settling Our Minds

In this session, we will look at how anxiety can lead to negative thoughts and thinking traps that can hold us back. Strategies for encouraging more realistic thinking will be discussed.

**Date: Wednesday, January 21, 2026**

**Time: 12:00 – 1:00 pm**

For adults supporting their own wellness or the wellness of children and youth.

### Part 4: Overcoming Avoidance

In this session, we will discuss how avoidance of stressors can increase our stress response over time. We will discuss ways to manage stressful situations in steps and effective coping skills.

**Date: Wednesday, January 28, 2026**

**Time: 12:00 – 1:00 pm**

For adults supporting their own wellness or the wellness of children and youth.

## Recovery Alberta

### Registration:

Sessions are offered online through the Zoom conferencing application.

A link to access the online session will be sent by email to those who have registered for the session.

To register, click [HERE](#) or go to:

[www.cyfcaregivereducation.ca](http://www.cyfcaregivereducation.ca)

### Participant Feedback

"Was a good session, great reminders of the need for balance and reminded me of things I need to work on as a parent as well as my successes. Thank you."





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These free sessions are intended to provide community members with information and strategies regarding addiction and mental health challenges that can affect us all.

### Body Image and Eating Disorders

Struggles with self-esteem, body image and weight control are a common concern. This session will explore some of the reasons behind these struggles, provide information on disordered eating and eating disorders, as well as discuss strategies for supporting teens towards healthier perspectives and habits.

#### Part 1: Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Time: 12:00 – 1:00 pm

For caregivers of youth grades 7-12; for adults only.

#### Part 2: Tuesday, January 27, 2026

Time: 12:00 – 1:00 pm

For caregivers of youth grades 7-12; for adults only.

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#### Registration:

Sessions are offered online through the Zoom conferencing application.

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To register, click [HERE](#) or go to:

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#### Participant Feedback

"I am so happy this session was available. Many great tools were offered and will be used. Very thankful for the succinct and useful information."







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## Mental Health Symposium

Parents and guardians from all Black Gold schools are invited to attend this year's Mental Health Symposium. This event is designed to equip you with valuable resources, information, and direct connections to the mental health services, organizations, and support networks available within our community.

**Tuesday, January 27, 2026  
5:30 - 7:00 PM**

**Maclab Centre for the Performing Arts**

Door prizes to be won!



## INTERNET CHILD EXPLOITATION PRESENTATION



### JOIN US

#### DATE

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

#### TIME

Starts immediately following the Symposium (approx. 7:00 p.m.)

#### LOCATION

Maclab Centre for the Performing Arts, Leduc

#### PRESENTERS

Constable Stephanie Bosch (Edmonton Police Service) and Constable Scott Sterling (RCMP) from ALERT's Northern Alberta Internet Child Exploitation unit (NAICE).





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# EMOTION COACHING



## The Heart of Parenting

Did you know that helping a child understand, express and manage their emotions is one of the most impactful things you can do for their future success in all areas of life?

Join us online for this two-session workshop, where parents and caregivers of children 0-12 years old, will explore the Gottman Institute's five step method for building children's emotional intelligence.

**Date:** March 18th & 25th, 2026

**Time:** 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

**Location:** Online

To register visit [Leduc.ca/FRN](https://Leduc.ca/FRN) or use the QR code

For more information email [FRN@Leduc.ca](mailto:FRN@Leduc.ca)







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# What's Up With Teens???

Surviving & Thriving Through the Teen Years  
Join us for a one-day, in-person workshop to help you navigate the wild, wonderful world of raising teens.

Based on Straight Talk About Teens from Psychology Canada, this session offers real talk, practical tools, and fresh perspective.

We'll cover:

- How the teen brain works
- What really matters to teens
- Staying connected/working on relationship
  - Communication
- Managing risk and setting boundaries

Whether you're in the thick of it or just getting started, you're not alone—and you've got this.

**January 31st**  
**10-3**  
**Family Resource Network**  
**5102 50ave**

**City of Leduc**  
**Alberta**

Provincial Family  
Resource Networks

Email [FRN@Leduc.ca](mailto:FRN@Leduc.ca)  
for more Information

Use the QR Code  
to express interest