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## RANCHEVIEW REVIEW

# Message from Administration

Happy 2020! We hope you all had a great break and are as excited about having your children back with us as we are with their return! The leading and learning that will carry on is as strong as ever. Our teachers work consistently to keep you informed about the goings on in your child's learning using a variety of platforms. Everyone is reminded to stay on top of this information by reading through the [PowerSchool](#) comments, blogs, [Instagram](#) posts, class webpages, etc.

This week we started into our [Dare to Care](#) presentations. We are grateful to the RancheView School Fundraising Society for providing the funds to make these anti-bullying presentations possible.

We were reminded of the impact that one person can have by choosing not to participate in negativity. We learned that when someone says or does something unintentionally hurtful and they do it once, that's rude. When someone says or does something intentionally hurtful and they do it once, that's mean. When someone says or does something intentionally hurtful and they keep doing it over and over again, even when you tell them to stop or show them that you're upset, that's bullying. We learned the difference between conflict and bullying. We learned some strategies to use to ask for help and ask students to stop doing things that are not nice.

We will be holding a **parent information night on Monday January 27 from 6:30-9:00pm** to share some of this learning, everyone is welcome! By encouraging our Wranglers to be part of the caring majority we know we can create a more caring, positive culture at RancheView that is truly reflective of kindness and respect. Have you checked out our [Wrangler's Code of Conduct](#)? Have a read through to better understand how we support our leaders.

As you read through the newsletter, please ensure you take note of the **accommodation meetings being held on January 16th (at RancheView) and February 25th (at Mitford)**. This meeting is of the utmost importance as families will have the opportunity to hear from Rocky View Schools superintendent and other divisional personnel about the growth in Cochrane with kindergarten to grade 8 students and the

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Jan 7-9 – Dare to Care Presentation K to Gr 6
- Jan 10 – Dare to Care Presentations Gr 7 & 8
- Jan 10 – Fun Lunch (Subway)
- Jan 13 – Advanced Registration for 2020-21 Begins
- Jan 16 – Student Accommodation Consultation #1
- Jan 17 – Spirit Day (Wacky Hat/Hair Day)
- Jan 17 – Fun Lunch (Pizza Hut Pasta)
- Jan 17 – Jr A Boys Basketball Tournament #2
- Jan 17 – Jr A Girls Basketball Tournament #2
- Jan 17 – ACT FT Junior Honour Band (5-9pm)
- Jan 18 – ACT FT Junior Honour Band (9am-2pm)
- Jan 21 – School Council Meeting (6:30pm)
- Jan 24 – Fun Lunch (Little Caesars)
- Jan 24 – Jr A Boys Basketball Tournament #3
- Jan 24 – Jr A Girls Basketball Tournament #3
- Jan 27 – Dare to Care Parent Presentation (6:30-9:00pm)
- Jan 30 – Fun Lunch Snack (Jugo Juice)
- Jan 30 – Lost & Found Cleaned
- Jan 31 – No School (Staff PL Day)

Please see our [calendar](#) for more details including sports practice, rehearsals etc.

**possible changes to school attendance boundaries for the upcoming school year.** These meetings will provide you with an opportunity to **be informed and share your thoughts.**

Home and School working together is the best way we can help our students, your children, meet with success!

Sharon Cronin

## Staffing Updates

In December we bid farewell to Ms. Brillinger our night-time building operator, who retired after many years of service with Rocky View. She was instrumental in getting RancheView up and going, and we wish her all the best in her retirement! We welcome Carmelo Manaois who will be taking over as evening building operator.

This month also marks the final full month with Ms. Drummond, one of our assistant principals, as she retires on February 14th.

## Phoning the Office

All families are asked to continue to **make arrangements with their child before the start of the school day** to avoid calling the office at the end of the day.

Asking our secretaries to get messages to students at the end of the day is very challenging with the busy-ness of our days.

We also ask parents/guardians to **refrain from calling the school “just to talk with their child”** to allow the school day to remain focused on the learning and leading routines.

Should families feel it imperative to speak with their child during the school day, **a message will be given to the child to call home, from the office**, during non-instructional times (morning recess, lunch hour or after school).

## Kindergarten Information

The new standardized age of entry requires **students to turn five by Dec. 31 of the school year they wish to begin Kindergarten.**

This change allows students born between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2015, to register for Kindergarten for the 2020/21 school year.

## Kindergarten Registration

**From Jan. 13, 2020 onward**, all schools will be **accepting registrations for the 2020-2021** school year through the online registration system [SchoolEngage](#).

**Step by step instructions** for New and Current RVS parents can be found on our school website at <https://rancheview.rockyview.ab.ca/news/kindergarten-registration>



## Kindergarten Information Evening

Parents/Guardians are invited to join RancheView staff for a **Kindergarten Information evening** (adult only), **Thursday May 14, 2020 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm.**

From **6:00 until 6:30 there will be a school tour** for those parents who would like to take part. The **information session will then begin at 6:30** where parents/guardians will learn about what a day in the life of a kindergarten student looks like, as well as gather more information about RancheView School.

## Kindergarten Orientation

**Friday June 5, 2020** our “new” kindergarten students will get the opportunity to spend an hour getting to know their new school.

Stay tuned for more information about this fun 1 hour Kindergarten orientation.

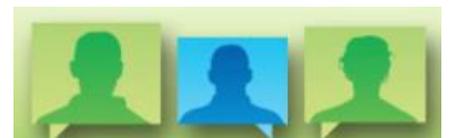
## Cochrane Accommodation Consultation

Rocky View Schools (RVS) will be holding a **public consultation from Jan. 16 to April 23, 2020**, to share information and hear feedback on proposed accommodation options for K - Gr. 8 students attending Cochrane schools.

The **first consultation** will be taking place at RancheView School on **January 16 at 7:00pm** where RVS will share information on enrolments and school capacity trends, possible accommodation changes, and other items relating to providing quality learning environments for our students in Cochrane. This meeting will see participants involved in roundtable discussion to ensure all feedback is documented and heard.

The **second consultation** will be taking place at Mitford School on **February 25 at 7:00pm** where RVS will provide a high-level review of the Jan. 16, 2020 meeting, share detailed options under consideration and gather feedback on the options presented and other ideas.

Read more about this consultation process on the [Rocky View Schools website](#)



### Dare to Care

RancheView School is excited to welcome the Dare to Care program to our school! **While conflict is a normal part of life...bullying is NOT and should NEVER be tolerated** in any environment. #KnowTheDifference

**What I Can Do**  
If I Am Being Bullied

<b>HA</b>	<b>Help</b>	<b>Assert Yourself</b>
<b>HA,</b>	<b>Humor</b>	<b>Avoid</b>
<b>SO</b>	<b>Self-Talk</b>	<b>Own it</b>

Alberta 

Dare to Care is a unique program regarded as the **most comprehensive and practical bully prevention program** in Canada. Dare to Care enables schools, sport organizations, community groups and workplaces to mobilize and maintain a caring community.

To see more about this **practical bully prevention program**, please watch this video <https://www.daretocare.ca?wix-vod-video-id=025e695837fe4ae6b8b325c09151786c&wix-vod-comp-id=comp-j6ccyae2> or visit their website <https://www.daretocare.ca/>



### Winter Clothing Reminder

**Toques, mitts, snow pants and winter boots** will help keep our Wranglers comfortable when they venture outside for their learning.

Sending an extra set of clothes in the backpack can be helpful to our Wranglers as well.



### Pedestrian Safety

Please remember that our **staff parking lot is not to be used for pick-up/drop-off of students** at any time. We encourage parents to adhere to all traffic laws when dropping off/picking up students, as student safety is our primary concern.

Although days are getting longer, the mornings are still very dark. As a preventative measure, we ask that parents with children who walk to school **remind them to be safe and respectful of our neighbours'** on their walk to school.

Parents Canada has pulled together **7 Tips to Teach your Kids About Walking Home from School** that may be helpful to review as a family.



### Students Against Drunk Driving

Last month our grade 4 team participated in Students Against Drunk Driving's liquor bag campaign to combat impaired driving over the holidays. This activity assists educators in continuing the conversation about the dangers of drinking and driving with their students.

Each student got to design their own liquor bag that were then given out at Sobey's Liquor store in Cochrane between December 13th-23rd. We had some amazing artwork, great job Wranglers!



### Wrangler Wear

**Ordering:** RancheView hoodies are available for purchase through <http://www.schoolcashionline.com> for \$40 each.

**Pick Up:** Students must bring the receipt to the canteen during lunch to pick the item up.

**Size:** Sample sizes are available in the office.

**Questions:** Please contact <mailto:jbarton@rockyview.ab.ca>



## Save the Date!

On **April 7 and 8** RancheView students are presenting their own version of **Alice in Wonderland!**



Set with a modern-day twist, Alice is back in Wonderland, accompanied by her little sister and a few extra, reluctant companions. The revenge-plotting Queen of Hearts is back to her old antics and the White Queen is just trying to keep the peace. Time is running out before Alice may have to settle with being stuck in Wonderland forever-unless someone can stop Time when it truly matters.

**Stay tuned** for more details on this exciting **new Wrangler production!**

## Lost and Found

A huge thank you goes out to our **student helpers who have been organizing the items in the lost and found!** These students have made a huge difference by matching up mismatched items, and even identifying items with **student's names so lost items can be returned to their owners.** Thank you Wrangler helpers!

**Please note that the next donation is Thursday January 30.**

Please ensure you **check for lost items** prior to this date.

Every month, all items from the lost and found are bagged up at the end of the month and items are donated to our textile bin.



## Cochrane Rotary Youth Talent Festival

So, you think you've got talent? Awesome! When you are into music, dance, drama, or visual arts, you probably want to show the world what you're all about. **The Cochrane Rotary Youth Talent Festival** provides a great opportunity to get on stage, show what you've got, and amaze family and friends.



### COCHRANE ROTARY YOUTH TALENT FESTIVAL

The Festival takes place **January 31 February 3 & 4 at Cochrane Toyota,** with the Finale happening on **February 7 at Rock Pointe Church.**

The **deadline to register is January 26,** so don't wait!

For more information visit their website  
<https://www.cochraneyouthtalent.ca>

## Allergy Aware

RancheView is an allergy aware school so we are able to accommodate and support students with severe allergies.

Families are asked to **not send any food with peanuts, tree nuts and sesame seeds (including hummus),** because we have students with life threatening/anaphylactic allergies.



## Family Address Changes

If your **family has moved** this school year, or is planning a move, **please let the office know** by email [rancheview@rockyview.ab.ca](mailto:rancheview@rockyview.ab.ca);

*Note: we will require a new "proof of address" submitted to the office, once the move has been made.*

If your child will be attending a school other than RancheView next year, please also advise the office.



## Canteen Update

Frozen **treats** are now available on **Wednesdays!**

- Kit Kat Ice cream Bar, Oreo Round Ice cream Treat, \$1.50 each
- Tropical Popsicle, \$.75
- Fuzzy Peach Popsicle, \$1.00

Lowest priced item -Welch's fruit snacks continue at .25 cents. Kids can check the **Canteen board for up to date items for sale.**

