

WYMARK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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"THE MARK OF EXCELLENCE"

FEBRUARY 2025



FEBRUARY 3RD-

SCC OGIES PEROGIES FUNDRAISER STARTS:

Forms will go home on February 3rd and are due along with payment on February 26th. Pick up date is March 27th

FEBRUARY 5TH-

SCCHS GRADE 8 VISIT:

The Vice Principal of SCCHS, Mrs. Arnsten, will be at Wymark School to visit the Grade 8 students on Wednesday, February 5th, as part of transitioning into Grade 9.

FEBRUARY 6TH-

TWIN DRESS UP DAY:

Find a friend or two and dress alike for the day.

FEBRUARY 7TH-

SKI TRIP/WINTER ACTIVITES:

Our Grade 5/6 students will be travelling to Elkwater, AB on February 7th for skiing, snowboarding, tobogganing and more. If your child(ren) are travelling via bus, please have them dropped off at Wymark School at 6:30am. We will be loading the bus at 6:45am sharp and departing from the school at 7:00am sharp.

We will not be able to wait for late arrivals.

Thank you again to the Wymark Futures Group for generously covering the cost for our Grades 5-8 students.

FEBRUARY 10TH-

CHIP SALE:

Our grade 4 class will be selling chips for our monthly treat for \$2.00 each. Students will have the option to purchase a second bag of chips after all students have gone through once and while supplies last.

FEBRUARY 12TH -

EARLY DISMISSAL 2:15PM



FEBRUARY 13TH -

SCC BINGO NIGHT:

Wymark School families, friends, and community members are invited to our SCC Bingo Night on February 13th from 6:30pm-8:00pm at the Wymark School Gym. There will be food, fun and prizes.



FEBRUARY 14TH-

VALENTINE'S DAY

FEBRUARY 26TH -

SCC OGIES PEROGIES FUNDRAISER FORMS & PAYMENT DUE: Please send blank forms back as well.

FEBRUARY 26TH-

PINK SHIRT DAY:

Pink Shirt Day, also known as Anti-Bullying Day, is the last Wednesday of February each year in Canada. We wear pink shirts to raise awareness about bullying in schools, workplaces, at home and online.

FEBRUARY 27TH-

SCHOOL WIDE ASSEMBLY:

Our assembly is at 2:15pm. Parents are welcome.

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Chinook Board of Education
AGRICULTURE CONTEST

- ✓ Choose a category
- ✓ Submit a short video
- ✓ Win great prizes!

The Chinook Board of Education is dedicated to honouring the invaluable role agriculture plays in shaping our lives.

Let's cultivate a deeper appreciation for agriculture and inspire a new generation to carry its legacy forward!

Submission deadline: May 2, 2025 Contest details: www.chinooksd.ca

THE SASKATCHEWAN STUDENT ASSESSMENT PROGRAM:

The Saskatchewan Student Assessment (SSA) program is a new provincial initiative designed to provide consistent, fair and objective measures of student achievement. This program is part of Saskatchewan's 2020-2030 Provincial Education Plan and will benefit students by offering valuable insights to support their learning and future success.

Implemented in stages beginning in the 2025-26 school year, the assessments will be developed with Saskatchewan teachers and based on the Saskatchewan curriculum students

are already learning in class. The SSA program will not require additional learning or replace classroom assessment. Please review the SSA Family Fact Sheet on the next two pages for additional details.

DOORBELL

UNFORTUNATELY OUR WIRELESS DOORBELL HAS STOPPED WORKING & HAS BEEN REMOVED.

A WORK ORDER HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO HAVE ONE HARD WIRED IN. IN THE MEANTIME, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE UPON ARRIVAL AT THE SCHOOL.

WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE INCONVIENCE.

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New provincial assessment program for Saskatchewan students

Parents and Caregivers:

The Ministry of Education is working with education partners on a new provincial assessment program for Saskatchewan students. This program is part of Saskatchewan's 2020-2030 Provincial Education Plan, developed in collaboration with education partners.

Students, parents, teachers and the public have told us they want Saskatchewan students to:

- be **prepared** for success with the skills and knowledge they need for the future;
- be **supported** in their learning; and,
- have an education that is **globally recognized and valued**.

Saskatchewan Student Assessment will help us work together toward these goals.

Saskatchewan Student Assessment

What is it?

Saskatchewan Student Assessment is a provincial assessment program that will assess student learning in core subject areas.

Which subject areas will be assessed?

- Grades 5 and 9 mathematics
- Grades 4, 7 and 10 English language arts

Will my child have to do any extra preparation for the test?

The assessments will be developed with Saskatchewan teachers and based on the Saskatchewan curriculum students are already learning in class. Sample assessments will be available online for students and families to become familiar with the assessment platform and format.

A Leger poll from 2022 found that 92 per cent of parents in Saskatchewan and Manitoba support fair and objective student assessment.

Will this affect students' grades?

Teachers may choose to use the assessments as part of students' grades as they are aligned with Saskatchewan curriculum.

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Why is this being implemented?

Consistent, fair and objective measures of student achievement benefit everyone in the education system.

The data will be used to identify strengths and areas of opportunity for students, teachers, schools and the province as a whole.

Who will write the Saskatchewan Student Assessment?

All students following the regular curriculum in publicly funded schools in Grades 5 and 9 will participate in a mathematics assessment and students in Grades 4, 7 and 10 will participate in an English language arts assessment.

Students will receive the same accommodations and support on the assessment as they are accustomed to in the classroom.

When will this be implemented?

Assessments will be implemented in stages, beginning in the 2025-26 school year.

Will I receive the results from this assessment?

Results from the assessments will be made available to the student, parent/caregiver, classroom teacher, the school and the school division.

Do other provinces have assessment programs?

Every province in Canada currently has a student assessment program.

Saskatchewan is the only province in Canada that does not have a provincial approach to measuring student achievement.

Sask Student Assessment will:

- Be based on curriculum
- Help with understanding of grade-level expectations
- Be developed and validated by teachers

Sask Student Assessment will NOT:

- Require additional teaching and learning
- Replace classroom assessment

Where can I get more information?

Please visit our website:

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/assessment>.

What is next?

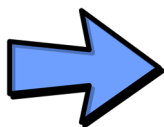
As the program develops, we look forward to sharing more information with you about this exciting program that will benefit your child's learning experience.

More information will be shared as we get closer to spring 2026 when students will write the first assessments.

Hello February

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Upcoming Dates



- March 17th - Prairie West Band Parent Meeting
- March 18th - Beginner Band Tour
- March 24th - No School
- March 27th - Ogies Perogies Fundraiser Pick Up