



Lethbridge School District No. 51

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## WELCOME TO HIGH SCHOOL!

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### Dear Grade 8 Students and Parents:

Now is the time of year when Grade 8 students and parents are making important decisions about the next school year. Lethbridge School District No. 51 has five excellent high schools offering programs for students in grades 9 to 12:

- **Chinook High School (CHS)**, located in west Lethbridge, offers a full range of high school programs, including a University Extension program.
- **Immanuel Christian Secondary School (ICSS)**, located in north Lethbridge, offers a full range of high school programs in a Christian educational environment.
- **Lethbridge Collegiate Institute (LCI)**, located in south Lethbridge, offers a full range of high school programs, including French Immersion and University Dual Credit programs.
- **Victoria Park High School (VPHS)** provides a variety of programs to high school students from across the city. For Grade 9 students, entrance to Victoria Park is by referral.
- **Winston Churchill High School (WCHS)**, located in north Lethbridge, offers a full range of high school programs, including the International Baccalaureate Program.

Attached you will find a summary of very important orientation dates for CHS, LCI, ICSS and WCHS. Each school will host one parent evening for providing general information about their school. Included in the information evenings for CHS, LCI, ICSS and WCHS will be descriptions of the advanced academic programs for university-bound students that the schools offer, including the International Baccalaureate (IB) program at WCHS, the University Dual Credit opportunity at LCI and the University Extension program at CHS. To find out more about the advanced academic opportunities available to you in Lethbridge School District #51, I would encourage you to attend the information nights and to visit the school websites ([www.wchs.lethsd.ab.ca](http://www.wchs.lethsd.ab.ca), [www.chs.lethsd.ab.ca](http://www.chs.lethsd.ab.ca), [www.lci.lethsd.ab.ca](http://www.lci.lethsd.ab.ca)). **Regardless of which school your child plans to attend, you are most welcome to come to any or all of the orientation meetings for these four high schools.**

Any high school student can attend a school other than their neighbourhood school, provided there is room at the school they choose. In order to enable schools time to plan for innovative programs and services based upon student interest, we are asking students to register by **April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

With respect to transportation to and from school, the District's bussing policy is based on provincial funding guidelines.

- Students who **live beyond 2.4 kilometres from their boundary school** will be transported by way of Yellow School Bus or City Transit Breeze Card (WCHS).
- Students who **wish to attend a school of choice and live beyond 2.4 kilometres from their boundary school and their school of choice** will be transported by way of a City Transit Breeze Card.
- Students who live **less than 2.4 kilometres from their boundary** school are not eligible for transportation.
- For ICSS bussing information, please contact the school at (403) 327-4223.

For additional information about any of the high school program opportunities, you are encouraged to check out each school's web site where you will find links to more detailed school information and descriptions of the programs offered.

The school web sites are:

**Chinook High School:** <http://chs.lethsd.ab.ca>

**Immanuel Christian High School:** <http://www.icss.lethsd.ab.ca>

**Lethbridge Collegiate Institute (LCI):** <http://lci.lethsd.ab.ca>

**Victoria Park High School:** <http://lasp.lethsd.ab.ca>

**Winston Churchill High School:** <http://wchs.lethsd.ab.ca>

In addition to the information sessions provided by the high schools, you are invited to contact the administrators and counselors of each school at any time. School phone numbers are:

**CHS: 403-320-7565**

**ICSS: 403-328-4783**

**LCI: 403-328-9606**

**VPHS: 403-327-3945**

**WCHS: 403-328-4723**

Our district staffs are committed to helping you make the best possible choices for the future and we wish you all the best in high school.

**Please note that the deadline for registration forms to be returned to the middle schools is April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

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**ORIENTATION OF INCOMING GRADE 9'S TO HIGH SCHOOL**  
**for the 2019 – 2020 School Year**  
 LETHBRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 51

Please find below a list of important dates regarding the Grade 9 registration process. The intent of the information evenings is to provide insight into the transition from Middle School to High School. They will also provide the opportunity for addressing questions and concerns as they relate to **Chinook High School (CHS)**, **Immanuel Christian Secondary School (ICSS)**, **Lethbridge Collegiate Institute (LCI)**, and **Winston Churchill High School (WCHS)**.

**The high school information evenings are open to all students and parents regardless of where the students currently attend school.** For more information, contact the administration or counseling department at your home school or at one of the high schools.

EVENT	DATE/TIME	LOCATION / CONTACT
<b>Middle Schools to distribute registration forms to Grade 8 students.</b>	<b>April 2-5</b>	If you don't receive your registration form, please contact your home school.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR VISITS TO MIDDLE SCHOOLS</b></p> <p>High school counselors visit individual Grade 8 classrooms to provide information on courses, specialized programs and high school registration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CHS visits G. S. Lakie &amp; S.J. Fairbairn Middle Schools</li> <li>• <b>LCI visits Gilbert Paterson Middle School</b></li> <li>• WCHS visits Wilson Middle School and LCS</li> </ul>	<b>April 3</b>	<b>On site at Middle Schools</b>
<b>Immanuel Christian Secondary School Student and Parent Information Evening</b>	<b>Monday, April 15 6:30 p.m.</b>	ICSS
<b>LCI Student and Parent Information Evening</b>	<b>Tuesday, April 16 6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>LCI</b>
<b>Chinook Student and Parent Information Evening</b>	<b>Wednesday, April 17 6:30 p.m.</b>	CHS
<b>Churchill Student and Parent Information Evening (Including IB Information Session)</b>	<b>Thursday, April 18 6:30 p.m. (IB Meeting at 7:45 p.m.)</b>	WCHS
<b>DEADLINE</b> for completed Grade 9 Registration Forms to be returned to the Middle Schools.	<b>Monday, April 29</b>	Middle Schools