



Morinville Community High School



9506 - 100 Avenue, Morinville, Alberta T8R 1P6
Phone: 1-780-939-6891 Fax: 1-780-939-6896

Home of the Prairie Wolves!

Principal.....	Mr. V. Pedersen
Vice Principal (& Grade 12 Coordinator).....	Mr. L. Pedersen
Vice Principal (& Grade 9 Coordinator).....	Ms. S. Coates
Grade 11 Coordinator.....	Ms. S. Christensen
Grade 10 Coordinator and Learning Support Facilitator.....	Mrs. J. Hobbs
Counsellor.....	Ms. K. Spence

January 2009 Newsletter

It's exam time! Here are some strategies that students can use to increase success on midterm and final exams!

To do well on a test, you must have good knowledge of the information that is being tested. However, you must also have a strategy for taking the test that allows you to show what you know. The DETER strategy can help you do your best on any test. Each letter in DETER reminds you what to do.

D = Directions

***Read the test directions very carefully.**

***Ask your teacher to explain anything about the test directions you do not understand.**

***Only by following the directions can you achieve a good score on the test.**

***If you do not follow the directions, you will not be able to demonstrate what you know.**

E = Examine

***Examine the entire test to see how much you have to do.**

***Only by knowing the entire task can you break it down into parts that become manageable for you.**

T = Time

***Once you have examined the entire test, decide how much time you will spend on each item.**

***If there are different points for items, plan to spend the most time on the items that count for the most points.**

***Planning your time is especially important for essay tests where you must avoid spending so much time on one item that you have little time left for other test items.**

E = Easiest

***The second E in DETER reminds you to answer the items you find easiest first.**

***If you get stuck on a difficult item that comes up early in the test, you may not get to answer items that test things you know.**

R = Review

***If you have planned your time correctly, you will have time to review your answers and make them as complete and accurate as possible.**

***Also make sure to review the test directions to be certain you have answered all items required.**

Cold Weather Policy

For information regarding **bus cancellations** and **school closures**, please stay tuned to 630 CHED AM, JOE 92.5 (formerly Power 92) FM, CBC COOL 880 AM, CISN 103.9 FM, THE BEAR CFRB 100.3 FM, CRMG 104.9 FM, THE MIX 96.3 FM, K-ROCK 97.3 FM, CFCW 790 AM and on TV CFRN, A Channel and Global. Although schools often remain open during extreme weather, parents can decide if conditions are safe for their children to attend.

Helping your Child Choose a Career; "To Push or not to Push, that is the Question"

Are you concerned about your child's future? Do they have the right classes? Will they get into University? What if they don't want to go to University? What are their options? How do we start? How can I, as a parent, help? What if they just don't care? Mrs. Cindy Jensen is the Career Professional at MCHS and knows what it is like to have children who would rather talk about their social life than a career pathway. With two children successfully launched in a Career Pathway; one in the trades and one at University, she can offer you some strategies to help you start the process with your son or daughter. Come and hear more in Room 205 on March 24th during Parent Teacher Interviews.

The Morinville RCMP invites you to their 7th annual Citizen's Academy!

This is a 10 week program with new speakers every week. Learn about counterfeits, drugs, major crime and the real Crime Scene Investigations. Find out what your RCMP do and why. Speak to the members during your own ride along. If you've ever thought about a career with the RCMP, join us at the Academy and learn more.

For whom:	16 years or older anyone interested in a career with the RCMP or in what they do.
When:	Wednesday evenings from Jan 21 - Mar 25th from 7pm-10 pm
Where:	Provincial Building @ 10008-107 Street, Morinville
Cost:	\$40.00
Requirements:	Criminal check will be done
Deadline to apply:	January 14th

Registration forms are in the Career Corner. Come join Mrs. Jensen for this 10 week program. Further information is available from Sergeant Chris Narbonne at the Morinville RCMP at 780-939-4550 or toll free at 780-459-7689. Email at c.narbonne@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

The January 2009 Midterm and Final Exam schedule is available online at www.mchs.gsacrd.ab.ca.

Are you interested in learning more about Norquest's
Practical Nurse Diploma Program?

Information nights will be held on
January 27, 2009

March 24, 2009 and
May 26, 2009!

These sessions run from 6:00 -7:30 pm in the Health Education Centre located at
10232 -106 St., Edmonton, AB or call 780.644.6300.

MCHS Coffee House

Who: talented MCHS students!

What: a showcase of drama, talent & musical performances

Where: MCHS Gym

When: Thursday, February 19th at 7pm

Why: to have the opportunity to enjoy the talent we have here!

Wolves Athletics!

Senior Girls Basketball

Congratulations to the Sr. Girls Basketball team for finishing second at the Louis St. Laurent Tourney.

The girls played St. Joseph's from Saskatoon and they had a 6' provincial player that provided a great challenge to our defenders. The score was 61-30. The Lady Wolves played their hearts out and can only get better from facing these types of players.

Good job ladies!

Senior Boys Basketball

The Sr. Boys were victorious on January 8th against the number one ranked team in our zone, beating Hinton 86-72 thanks to some great team defense in the second half and great shooting by the entire team, particularly Tavis Campbell. Tavis hit four unanswered 3 point shots in the third quarter to solidify the lead.

The January 2009 Midterm and Final Exam schedule is available online at www.mchs.gsacrd.ab.ca.

February 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Semester 2 Begins	Band Parent Meeting @ GHP at 7:00 pm	Semester One Report Cards Mailed Home	Teachers' Convention - No Classes	Teachers' Convention - No Classes Senior Boys Basketball Tourney	Senior Boys Basketball Tourney
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	Family Day - No Classes	School Council Meeting 7:00 PM		MCHS Coffee House: 7:00 pm	Gr. 9 Basketball Tournament	Gr. 9 Basketball Tournament
22	23	24	25	26	27	28