

- February 26: Pink Shirt Day
- March 21: Professional Learning Day (No School)

Dear Lakers and Laker Families,

The second semester has kicked off with a chilly start, but spirits are high! It's wonderful to see our halls filled with students, eager and ready for their new courses.

This week, our students attended grade-level assemblies led by Ms. Schaab and Mr. Heppell. These sessions provided a review of school rules and expectations while encouraging students to set themselves up for success in the new semester.

Our academic counsellors have been busy meeting with students to ensure their second-semester courses align with post-secondary requirements. If you have questions about courses or postsecondary planning, feel free to reach out to the appropriate counsellor:

- Grade 10: Mr. Payne, jpayne@cesd73.ca
- Grade 11: Ms. Donaghy, tdonaghy@cesd73.ca •
- Grade 12: Mr. Payne, jpayne@cesd73.ca

Connect Classes have resumed! This mandatory class plays a key role in supporting our school culture and your child's post-secondary and career planning. In the coming weeks, students will set goals for the semester, participate in grade-level activities, prepare for our second annual HJ Cody Gives Back event on May 8th, explore career options, and continue Financial Literacy lessons (for grade 12 students).

Work Experience Credit Reminder:

Students in grades 10-12 can earn credits for Work Experience through volunteering or part-time jobs. For more information or to sign-up for Work Experience, please contact Mrs. Bell at <u>dbell@cesd73.ca</u>.

Volunteer Opportunity:

We're looking for a volunteer to assist in our lunch canteen on Fridays. If you're available to help, please let me know!

Feature Fridays – Celebrating HJ Cody Graduates:

We continue to highlight our alumni on Facebook through Feature Fridays. If you know a graduate who has completed post-secondary education and is now pursuing a career, we'd love to feature them! Please send the following details to Katie Judge at <u>kjudge@cesd73.ca</u>:

- Name
- Grad Year
- Career
- A brief statement on how HJ Cody helped them on their career path
- A photo of them in their current role

Thank you for your continued support of your child's success and our school community. If you have any questions or need additional information, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Yours in education, Alex Lambert Principal

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award)

This leadership camp is May 8-11 at Deer Valley Meadow in Alix, Alberta. It is sponsored by Rotary and students must be 15-17 years old.

RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment)

RYPEN is ideal for teenagers looking to grow, develop their leadership skills, expand their comfort zone, and try out a new adventure. Participants must be between 13 and 17 years old when the camp happens in May.

Students who are interested, should email arouthier@cesd73.ca or stop by the foods room when you are in the school. Students will be selected based on their community involvement and volunteerism.

A Year to Remember

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BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT:

H J Cody School

Photo Dates: February 24th – March 5th, 2025

Location: Staff Room

Notes: Please come to your session 5 minutes prior to start time.

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If you have any questions regarding booking an appointment or what to expect please contact us: 780-437-2431 Our Creative Gems are temporarily opening a gently used clothing store and are seeking donations throughout the month of February!

> Please contact Holly at hschultz@cesd73.ca to arrange any donation drop-off. Thank you for your support!

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