



# ÉCPS Cougar Chronicles

January 5<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at ÉCPS

Welcome back to all our Cougar Families. We wish you all the best in 2026!

## UPCOMING DATES

Jan 5: Kindergarten Registration opens  
Jan 8: D.A.R.E. CPO Brad w/ Gr. 6 AM  
Jan 9: Character Ed Assembly @8:45am  
Jan 9: **Hot Lunch!** (deadline to order was Jan 4)  
Jan 9: PowerSchool Shut Down for Report Cards  
Jan 13: **Hot Lunch!** (deadline to order is Jan 8)  
Jan 16: **Hot Lunch!** (deadline to order is Jan 11)  
Jan 16: D.A.R.E. CPO Brad w/ Gr. 6 PM  
Jan 16-17: 5/6 Boys Basketball Tournament @ ÉCPS  
Jan 19: **Shelter-in-Place Drill** @9:55-10:10am

Jan 20: Bake Sale 5M & ECS-B  
Jan 20: ADHD Parent Presentation @6:30pm  
Jan 23: All School Assembly @8:45am  
Jan 23: **Hot Lunch!** (deadline to order is Jan 18)  
Jan 23-24: 5/6 Girls Basketball Tournament @ ÉCPS  
Jan 27: **Hot Lunch!** (deadline to order is Jan 22)  
Jan 28: D.A.R.E. CPO Brad w/ Gr. 6 AM  
Jan 29: **NO PRE-K & KINDER** - All Programs  
Jan 29: Report Cards available to parents @3:30pm  
Jan 29: Popcorn Day!  
Jan 29: Internet Safety Exploitation Presentation @5:30pm  
Jan 30: PD Day - No Students

## NOTES

- A friendly reminder to pay any school fees which are accessible through your PowerSchool Parent Portal, on the left side menu.
- There will be no more students extra clothes supply. Please send in your child's backpack an extra set as required.
- **NO ANIMALS** on School's Property UNLESS a Certified Service Dog.

## Librarian Note

Free LRC Pass - Spend some fun time with your family! We have a Family LRC Pass that can be borrowed from the Library to use.

You can check it out just like a library book! Contact our librarian, Mrs. Bendfeld, to get your name on the list to borrow the pass.

Her email is:

[jennifer.bendfeld@gshare.blackgold.ca](mailto:jennifer.bendfeld@gshare.blackgold.ca)



## Student Absence Link

[Safe Arrival](#) is the new automated system to report vacations, illnesses, medical appointments, late arrivals or early dismissals. The system will send a call out for any unexcused absentees.

## PowerSchool Access

Please let us know if you are unable to access PowerSchool Parent Portal as there will be forms and fees throughout the year.

You can email at [ecps@blackgold.ca](mailto:ecps@blackgold.ca) the office and we will help you asap.

## PA/SC Meeting

There will be a free ADHD Presentation for parents on Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @ 6:30pm. This presentation has been paid for by the ASCE Grant.

Our next Parents' Association Meeting takes place on January 28th @ 6:30pm in the Learning Commons.

Come and meet our executives and find out what they are doing to support ÉCPS students! They are always happy to welcome new faces and hear new ideas.

To contact them: [parents.a.president@gmail.com](mailto:parents.a.president@gmail.com)

Black Gold School Division presents  
Internet Safety Exploitation Presentation  
Tuesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
@ 5:30 - 7:00 pm  
MacLab Centre for the Performing Arts

## Mental Health Symposium

&

INTERNET  
CHILD  
EXPLOITATION  
PRESENTATION

Popcorn Day  
Thursday

January 29<sup>th</sup>



\$1/bag

MAX 2  
BAGS



[ÉCPS School Website](#)

[Black Gold School Division](#)

[PowerSchool Parent Portal Account](#)

[ÉCPS Safe Arrival \(absence reporting\) Link](#)

[Mental Health Info link](#)



# BAKE SALE



OCTOBER 7: ECS-W & 4R TBD



NOVEMBER 7: 2/3 P & 2B



DECEMBER 5: 6SM & 1/2W



JANUARY 20: 5M & ECS-B



FEBRUARY 18: 6M & 2E



MARCH 24: 3N & 4J

APRIL 15: 1Y & 5C

## BUS LOOP/ STAFF PARKING LOT REMINDERS

To prevent injury to members of our school family, vehicles are not permitted in the bus loop between

8:00 a.m. – 8:30a.m. and 3:00 p.m. – 3:30p.m.

Please use the new crosswalks on each side of the bus loop and ensure that your child follows the sidewalk to and from the school.

There is absolutely NO STOPPING on Corinthia Drive to pick up your child. Also, the Staff parking lot and the west-fence area are strictly for staff parking. Parents are not permitted to park and drop off children in this area. Thank you!

## Important Links



The office is now back to its original home! Coming through the front doors and directly to the right.

For any early dismissal, please come to the office to sign out your child/children.

# NEED HELP WITH STUDENT TRANSPORTATION? SCAN BELOW



Blackgold.ca  
(Info & Instructions)



PowerSchool  
(To apply & pay)



Bus Status 4 app  
for **Android**  
(bus cancellations/delays)



Bus Status 4 app  
for **iPhone**  
(bus cancellations/delays)