



Cougar Chronicles ~ January 6th - 17th

WELCOME MRS. VOLK - NEW ACCOUNTING SECRETARY

On behalf of our École Corinthia Park School family, we would like to welcome Mrs. Volk to our office team. We are excited to have her join us as our new Financial Secretary.

All Applicable Black Gold Schools will Open for 2025-2026 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION on January 6, 2025, @ 9:00 am.

Each designated school may offer different program times (i.e. morning, afternoon, Monday/Wednesday, or Tuesday/Thursday), and all children will have a place at their designated school. If you have a strong preference for a particular time, please register early to avoid disappointment as preferred/requested program times will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis using Black Gold's online enrollment system starting on **January 6, 2025**. Click this [link](#) for more information.

If you would like more information on our French Immersion Kindergarten program, please click on this [link](#).

GENTLY USED PANTS FOR GIRLS & BOYS OF ALL SIZES:

We are in need of gently used pants, sweatpants, jeans, etc, of all sizes for both girls & boys. Our cupboard is getting very low, so if you have anything you would like to donate we would greatly appreciate it, you can just bring it into the office. Thank you.

MILISIZWE BROTHER'S CONCERT:

Leduc's own Melisizwe Brothers will be performing at the MacLab Centre for the Performing Arts on Saturday, January 25 at 2:00 and 6:30 pm. This concert will be recorded for their upcoming documentary. As former students of ÉCPS, the brothers have offered free tickets to our students and a parent for either of their performances. The lucky winners will receive free tickets for a child and a parent, a dedicated entrance and priority seating for the concert. If you are interested in this opportunity, please complete the form below and I will get tickets out. [Melisizwe Brothers Concert Ticket Request Form](#)

STUDENT ABSENCE LINK:

We now have an Online Absence Reporting Form live on the school website. This gives parents and caregivers another way to communicate upcoming absences with the office which will hopefully alleviate some of the extra calls and emails home every day. You can find the form in the "Popular Pages" section on the main page of the website, as well as under the "Parents" section.

<https://ecps.blackgold.ca/parents/ecps-online-absence-reporting/>

SCHOOL FEES WERE DUE SEPTEMBER 30TH:

This is just a reminder that all school fees were due on September 30th; these are paid through your Parent Portal in PowerSchool. We still have **62 families** with outstanding fees. These fees help with Field Trips, Extracurricular Activities and busing. We would like to thank those that have already paid. Should you need to make payment arrangements, please contact the School office.

ÉCPS COUGAR CLOTHING:

Welcome to the official online shopping portal for École Corinthia Park School. Enjoy browsing a wide selection of products from a variety of brands that you can then customize with the approved logos and graphics found on the site. Display your pride in fantastic apparel customized entirely by you. The

site lets students, parents & staff choose from approved merchandise to fit their needs 24/7 with no minimum order quantities. Ordering is open now until May. Click this [link](#) to begin your order.

FREE LRC PASSES:

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@blackgold.ca Click this [link](#) for more information.

ITEM DROP-OFF:

If you are bringing lunch, homework, water bottles, etc. for your child, please leave it in the bin outside the door with your child's name on it and our helpers will come and get it and deliver it to your child.

BUS LOOP/ STAFF PARKING LOT REMINDERS:

To prevent injury to members of our school family, **vehicles are not be permitted in the loop between 8:00 a.m. – 8:30a.m. and 3:00 p.m. – 3:30p.m.** If you are parked on the south side of Corinthia Drive when picking up your child after school, please ensure that he/she uses the main crosswalk to cross the street. There is absolutely **NO STOPPING** on Corinthia Drive to pick up your child. Also, the Staff parking lot is strictly for staff parking. Parents are not permitted to park and drop off children in this area.

School Council & Parents' Association News

PA/SC MEETING:

Our next Parents Association/School Council Meeting is a **Potluck** that takes place on **January 22nd @ 6:30 pm** in the Staff Room. 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 - thank you to everyone who has come out to a meeting so far this year.

HOT LUNCH:

Hot Lunch takes place each Friday, but if there is **No School** on Friday, then there will be **NO Hot Lunch** that week. Hot Lunch/Hot Dogs are available for students GRADE 1-6 ONLY. If you would like to order lunches for your child, please go to [Healthy Hunger](#) The order deadline is five days before the lunch date (Saturdays for Friday lunches). No refunds are available. If your child is absent on a hot lunch date, you may come and pick the lunch up at noon or donate it to the school to feed a child in need. Here is the link to sign up and volunteer: [Link For Volunteering for Hot Lunch](#)

HOT DOG:

Our next Hot Dog Day will be January 21st for any Grade 1 – 6 Students, you can order through the [Healthy Hunger](#) site. **We are in need of Volunteers to help out with this program so please sign up here for our next Hot Dog Day.**

If you have any questions, concerns or feedback about the Hot Lunch or Hot Dog Program, please email: parent.a.president@gmail.com

BAKE SALE DATES:

Our next Bake Sale is being hosted on **Tuesday, January 14, by Gr. 2 Emerson & Gr. 5 Devine/Polanica - bringing 18 items each. Every item is 50 cents.**

For the full-year schedule, please click this link: [Bake Sale Date & Volunteering](#)

POPCORN DATES:

Our next Popcorn Day will be on **Thursday, January 23rd**. Students can purchase a bag of popcorn for \$1.00 with a maximum of 2 bags per child. Money can be sent with your child before or on the day of the sale. Please consider volunteering to help and sign up [here](#).

[Popcorn Day - Schedule](#)

Community & Parent Information

FCSS Programming - please click on the link below for a variety of programming available.

[Family Resource Network](#)

Free Mental Health Webinars - January 2025

Please click on this [link](#) for more information on upcoming sessions.

Upcoming Dates:

Jan. 6th - Classes Resume

Jan. 6th - 2025-2026 Kindergarten Registration opens @ 9:00 am - Click this [link](#) for more information

Jan. 10th - DIV I Assembly

Jan. 10th - Hot Lunch

Jan. 13th - PowerSchool will be shut down for Parents to prepare for Report Cards

Jan. 14th - Bake Sale - Grade 2 Emerson & 5 Devine/Polanica - please bring 18 items

Jan. 17th - DIV II Assembly

Jan. 17th - Hot Lunch

Jan. 17th & 18th - Girls Basketball Tournament @ ÉCPS (TBA)

Jan. 21st - Hot Dog Day - Volunteers are Needed to help out - Sign Up [here](#)

Jan. 21st - First Ski Club for Grades 4 - 6 students - depart @ 1:45 pm

Jan. 22nd - PA/SC Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Jan. 23rd - Popcorn Day

Jan. 24th - Hot Lunch

Jan. 24th & 25th - Boys Basketball Tournament @ École Champs Vallee

Jan. 28th - 4D, 4/5C & 5/6M to Telus World of Science

Jan. 28th - Report Cards will be available via your PowerSchool Parent Portal @ 4:00 p.m.

Jan. 29th - NO SCHOOL - PD Day

Jan. 31st - School Spirit Day - Crazy Hair and Outfit Day

Jan. 31st - School Wide Assembly

Jan. 31st - Hot Lunch