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West Ridge School

Principal Update

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I. Start and End Times

In my last Principal's Update I stated that a survey would be coming out shortly in regards to the new school's start and end times. I will no longer be sending out this survey as our start and end times will be determined by the factors described in the attached letter from the transportation department. I apologize for this change.

For the 2016-2017 school year West Ridge School will be sharing bus services with the new elementary school in Aspen Ridge, Roberta Bondar School. Roberta Bondar School will have the early bus run and West Ridge School the later run. A tentative start time for West Ridge School has been set for 8:50am. This will enable parents who have students at both schools to make one drop off. It will also enable West Ridge School students to provide school patrols for the community. The tentative end time for West Ridge School will be 3:25pm. We also plan to have an early dismissal at West Ridge School on Fridays. This means that students would be let out at approximately 1:35pm. Please note that these times are not finalized and are subject to adjustment.

Please note that these start and end times begin when the school opens in January. Until that time, students will follow the start and end times of their host school (West Springs, Wildwood, or Vincent Massey). These schools start and end times are not changing.

II. Mascot Name and Team Colours

We had some great suggestions from students in regards to a team name. We had over 300 entries and these have been narrowed down to a top twenty. Students will have a chance to vote on their favourite early in May. Students at West Springs and Wildwood will have a chance to do this in class. Students at Vincent Massey are able to cast their vote at the following link: <http://tinyurl.com/j6msv6d>.

The list of finalists:

Bobcats, Bulldogs, Bulls, Cowboys, Falcons, Heat, Moose, Mounties, Narwals, Outlaws, Owls, Raccoons, Rangers, Raptors, Rebels, Rhinos, Royals, Thunder, Wasps, Wranglers.

III. Construction Update

It is exciting to watch the school progress on a daily basis. The final roof section is being enclosed and the relocatables are expected to be delivered on May 9th. Here are some photos of construction.

Lower Hallway



Main Gym



Main Gym Looking Towards Auxiliary Gym



Foundation waiting for the Relocatables to Arrive



Finishing off the Roof



Upper Hallway Gathering Area #1



Upper Hallway Gathering Area #2



Learning Commons – Check out those windows!



Main Gym Looking at Brackets for the Folding Stage
(I've never seen one of these at any school ! Think of a Murphy bed idea but with a 20' x 10' stage !)



VII. Contact Information

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us. There are numerous ways to do so. Also please spread the word that we are on twitter!

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