



Thanks to Mr. Pratt and the Trades team for their CNC work on the new lettering in the hallway!

SGCHS NEWS

ADMIN MESSAGE

Greetings to our SGCHS Community, Just like that - we have passed the halfway mark of Semester 1 classes. It has been wonderful to see our students and staff settling into their regular routines and procedures (not to mention all the extras) that go into supporting student wellness and success.

Our Grade 12 Students were found eagerly checking the first iteration of the "Grad List" - something that they have been working towards and focused on over the past two years. Our annual SGCHS Awards Night was an excellent transition into Fall Break, where we have acknowledged many of our students on their accomplishments from the 2023 - 2024 School Year. It was wonderful to see our Award Winners and their Parents / Guardians at Awards Night - it was an absolutely packed gymnasium! I have included my remarks from the evening on the following page - if you have an opportunity to pass along a "Congratulations" to any of our award winners on their accomplishments - I know they would appreciate the well-deserved recognition.

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FALL AWARDS - PRINCIPAL REMARKS

Good Evening and a special thank you to our Honoured Guests, Staff, Family and Friends for attending tonight's ceremony where we have recognized the outstanding accomplishments of our SGCHS students. Last, but certainly not least - one final round of applause for this Evening's Award Recipients. Congratulations.

Today - you truly are the stars of the show. You have been recognized for some significant accomplishments. Over the course of the past school year - at times - I am sure it may feel as though you simply blend into the crowd. I promise you - you are valued and appreciated. Your commitment and dedication to your school work and extracurricular activities not only benefit yourselves - but those around you and our greater school community. You push your teachers and fellow students on a daily basis towards excellence. You set high expectations for yourselves, and those around you - to pursue something beyond what is merely acceptable. For this - on behalf of the SGCHS community - I thank you.

What has not been evident tonight is everything else you may do behind the scenes - volunteer or leadership opportunities, work, sit on committees, help coach, or support your own families in a variety of other ways. I know that for each of you - in your own personal and unique way - you have overcome a variety of challenges and obstacles to reach your goals. In many ways, you have already discovered one of the secrets of life. Life is going to throw you curveballs when you least expect it - how you react and handle that adversity is truly what matters.

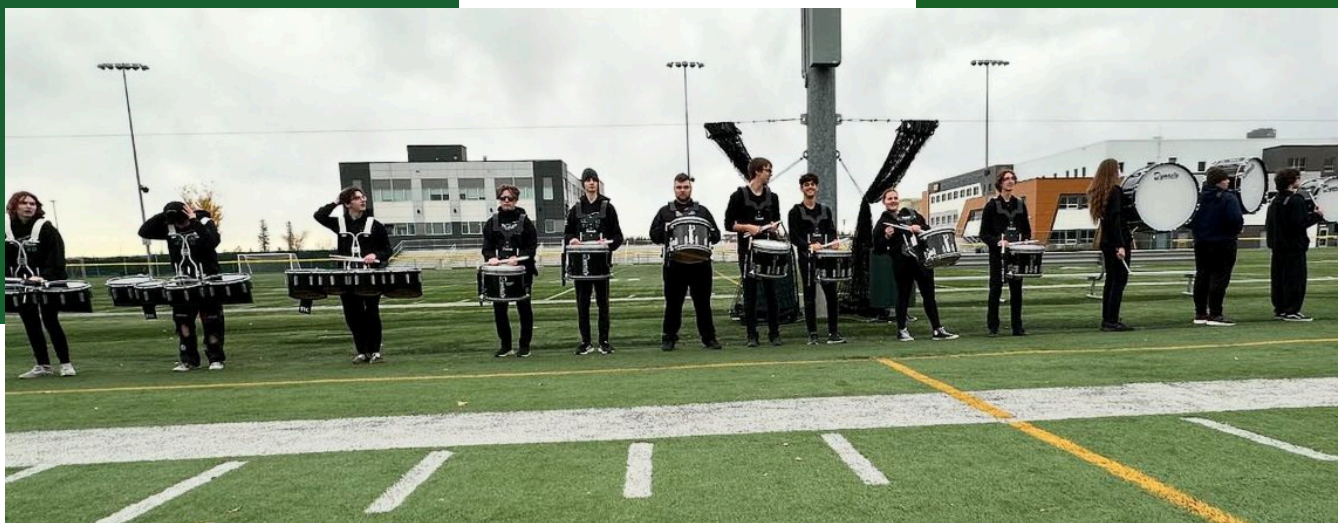
Award recipients - I would encourage you to take a moment to recognize one of those people in your life who have helped you reach your goals. I can promise you that you may need them again - whether in the next Grade of High School, or pursuing your post secondary education.

Once again, thank you to all for helping us recognize the accomplishments of our 2023 - 2024 award recipients. I am proud to recognize these students as leaders within our building and community. Thank you and have a great evening.



ENGLISH 30 - A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE

English 30-1 and 30-2 students attended the Citadel Theatre's production of "A Streetcar Named Desire." About 160 Grade 12 students from SGCHS traveled to Edmonton to see the play they had been studying. For many, it was their first experience with live theatre leaving them eager for more opportunities. The performance featured outstanding acting and creative design, truly bringing Tennessee Williams' script to life. We appreciate the Citadel for hosting us and providing this enriching opportunity for our students.



BAND - DRUMLINE PERFORMANCE

Recently, our drum line group got to play at a Cougars football game! They made a wonderful experience out of their trip and played a variety of songs. You can expect a wonderful performance at the **Winter Concert on December 19 at 7pm in the Horizon Stage**



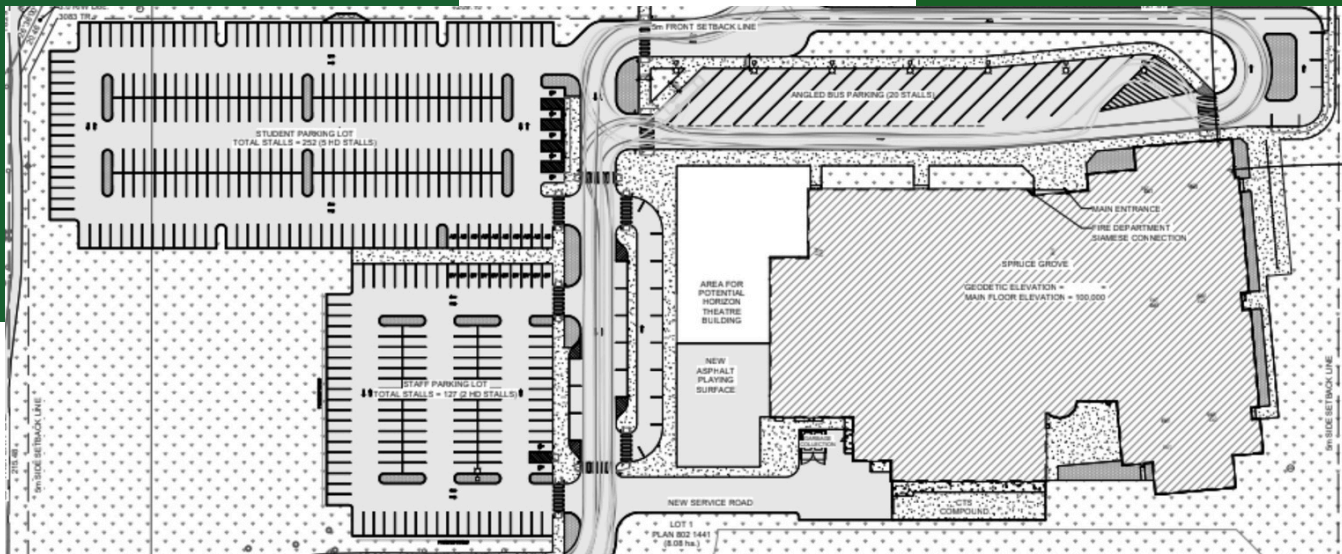
INNOVATION GENERATION CHALLENGE - 4TH PLACE!

Students from Mr. Lindstrom’s class entered the 1st Annual Innovation Generation Challenge from NAIT. Congratulations to Cara Nicholls, Zoey Upton-Weatherly-McDonald, and Avreet Maanshahia (pictured above left to right), and Caleb Johnson on their excellent work! The challenge invited students to tackle the critical issue of food scarcity. Through creative problem-solving and collaboration, teams developed solutions aimed at making a real difference in communities. You can find their submission [here!](#)



FALL AWARDS NIGHT.

Left - Adam Ehm presenting the Land Acknowledgement and Lachlaine Gordon preparing to sing “O Canada”.
 Centre - Ashlynn Skiba being presented with the Governor General Award for Top Academics in Grade 12.
 Right - Mr. Leduc and Ms. Peterson soaking up the atmosphere!



NEW BUILDING!

SGCHS REPLACEMENT APPROVED

In exciting news for Parkland School Division (PSD) and the City of Spruce Grove, the long-anticipated construction of the new Spruce Grove Composite High School (SGCHS) will be moving forward. The Government of Alberta has officially awarded the necessary construction funding, a significant milestone that brings the vision of a new state-of-the-art school closer to reality.

Collaboration between PSD and the City of Spruce Grove has been instrumental in reaching this point, with both parties working together to address challenges and advocate for the needs of the community. Their combined efforts have paid off with this announcement of funding, allowing construction to begin on the much-needed new facility.

The new SGCHS will offer modern classrooms, updated technology, and innovative spaces for both curricular and extracurricular activities, a dedicated Indigenous learning space, creating a dynamic and inclusive environment for students. The community has responded positively to the announcement, with parents, students, and staff eagerly anticipating the improved facilities and the opportunities they will bring.

More details will be provided as they become available. Check out the latest on the Spruce Grove Composite High school website at: sgchs.psd.ca

KEY DATES

DEC 18

TCT DAY

DEC 19

S.U DAY - EXTENDED LUNCH

DEC 20

LAST DAY BEFORE BREAK

JAN 6

WELCOME BACK!

JAN 13

DIPLOMAS BEGIN

JAN 20

S1 CLASSES END

JAN 28

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING