

EPEC EDITOR

HOME OF THE PHOENIX

WELCOME FROM ADMINISTRATION

Summer once again has flown by quickly. I am excited for my first year at EPEC and I am looking forward to getting to know students and families.

Ongoing and open communication between home and school is very important for student success. Together, we can provide the children with the best education possible. Teachers will share their preferred form of communication with families. School newsletters will be sent out at the beginning of each month via email. I encourage you to stay informed and connected with us in any way that works for you. If you would like an in-person meeting, we ask that you phone ahead and book an appointment. This ensures that we have the time to dedicate to your concern.

We are excited for this new school year and we look forward to working with you to ensure the success of your student.

Michelle Kavanaugh, Principal

EPEC DATES IN SEPTEMBER

- Sept. 12th – Fire Drill
- Sept. 15th – Lock Down dDrill
- Sept. 18th – Curriculum Night 7-8pm
- Sept. 22nd – Hold & Secure Dill

REMINDERS

- Just a friendly reminder to parents/guardians – if you would like to speak with our principal or vice-principal, please call the office at **(902) 462-8401 ext. 0** or email **epec@hrce.ca** to make an appointment.
- Do you have any old vinyl records kicking around that you don't want anymore? We are looking for vinyl records for an art project and would love to have your donations! Any donations can be dropped off at the office. Thanks for your support!
- Picture Day is October 13th & 14th (more details to follow)

HRCE DATES IN SEPTEMBER

- Thurs., Sept. 4: First day of school for students!
- Thurs., Sept. 11: Stand Up Against Bullying Day
- Fourth week of September: Gender Equality Week
- Friday, Sept. 26: Observe orange shirt day
- Monday, Sept. 29: Professional Development Day – No classes PP-12
- Tuesday, Sept. 30: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation





Using BusPlanner

Everything you need to know about student transportation including eligibility, stop times and stop locations can be found on BusPlanner.

Once you register and subscribe, you can choose to receive email and/or text message notifications on changes to routes, bus delays or cancellations.

To sign up, go to BusPlanner at hrce.mybusplanner.ca and click on Parent Portal. Follow the instructions to create an account.

Don't have a BusPlanner Parent Portal account? Need help logging in? Please contact the HRCE Student Transportation Team at transportation@hrce.ca or call 902-431-4723.



Stand Up Against Bullying Day is September 11

On the second Thursday of September, we recognize Stand Up Against Bullying Day.

On Thursday, September 11, we will celebrate inclusivity, kindness and friendship. All HRCE school teams are focused on ensuring all students have a safe and welcoming environment in which to learn and thrive.

Please join us and wear pink if you're able on September 11 to take a stand against bullying.




SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

Today we honour National Day for Truth and Reconciliation



WE OBSERVE NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION TO HONOUR THE SURVIVORS OF RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS, ACKNOWLEDGE THE INTERGENERATIONAL TRAUMA THEY AND THEIR FAMILIES ENDURED, AND COMMIT TO THE ONGOING PROCESS OF RECONCILIATION AND HEALING.



Join us in observing National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Each year on **September 30, National Day for Truth and Reconciliation** honours the children who didn't return from residential schools, as well as survivors, their families, and communities.

Orange Shirt Day, led by Indigenous communities, aims to raise awareness about the inter-generational impacts of residential schools and allows us all to show our support for the Every Child Matters movement.

As there are no classes on Monday, September 29 and Tuesday, September 30, we welcome staff and students to wear orange on Friday, September 26.

Demographic Form Updates

On September 9, the **Demographic Updates Form** will be available to families in the PowerSchool Parent Portal. This form should be updated by every family to ensure all information about your child is current, including contacts, medical information, consents and demographics. Even if there are no anticipated changes, please still review this information and submit the form. This information will then be reviewed by the school before updates are finalized. This deadline to submit the form is **October 6, 2025**.

SchoolCash Setup

SchoolCash Online is an easy-to-use and safe way to pay for your children's school fees. You can pay for your child's yearbook, class trips and so much more, quickly and conveniently. Simply register an account to be able to pay in several different payment forms. [Click here](#) for more information.



EPEC SCHOOL CLOTHING – SEE LINK BELOW

<https://pmgsw.com/products/Eastern-Passage-Education-Centre-c168124758>

This is where you will find the EPEC Athletics Calendar.

This will give you information on tryouts, practices and games for all sports at EPEC!

EPEC Athletics Calendar

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