

NOVEMBER 2023

Grande Prairie Composite High School Newsletter

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Message from the Principal

GREETINGS STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND GUARDIANS,

WE HOPE THIS NEWSLETTER FINDS YOU WELL AND ENJOYING THE FALL SEASON. AS THE WEATHER BEGINS TO CHANGE, PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD IS DRESSED APPROPRIATELY FOR THE SEASON. IT'S IMPORTANT TO KEEP IN MIND THAT WE MAY SOMETIMES LEAVE THE BUILDING UNEXPECTEDLY.

NOVEMBER IS A TIME FOR REFLECTION AND APPRECIATION, AS WE HONOUR THE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN WHO FOUGHT FOR OUR COUNTRY'S FREEDOM. OUR REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE ON NOVEMBER 9TH AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE SCHOOL GYMNASIUM. WE WELCOME PARENTS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO JOIN US IN COMMEMORATING THE SACRIFICES MADE BY SO MANY.

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 13TH AND 14TH FROM 4:00 - 7:00 P.M. WE ENCOURAGE ALL PARENTS AND GUARDIANS TO SIGN UP FOR AN APPOINTMENT AND ATTEND THESE MEETINGS. IT'S AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS YOUR CHILD'S PROGRESS AND TO GET TO KNOW THE TEACHERS BETTER.

WE HAVE SOME EXCITING NEWS TO SHARE WITH YOU OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY'S HARD WORK ON THE PHOENIX PHILOSOPHY PROJECT HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED WITH THE IAF IMPACT AWARD NOMINATION PHOENIX PHILOSOPHY - ENGAGEMENT THROUGH COLLABORATIVE PLANNING. LAST YEAR, WE WORKED TOGETHER TO ESTABLISH A CLEAR DIRECTION FOR THE FUTURE AND STRENGTHEN OUR TEAM. WE'RE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT COMPOSITE HIGH SCHOOL HAS WON A PLATINUM AWARD. THIS ACHIEVEMENT IS A TESTAMENT TO THE DEDICATION OF OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY, AND WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND STAFF.

AT COMPOSITE HIGH SCHOOL, OUR VISION IS TO IGNITE POTENTIAL, AND OUR MISSION IS TO EDUCATE, INSPIRE, AND EMPOWER. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR SCHOOL'S SUCCESS.

**SINCERELY,
DENNIS VOBAYDA**



Dennis Vobeyda
Principal



November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Take you kid to work day Gr.9's	2	3	4
5	6 Quarter 2 begins School Council 6pm	7 Grad Council Student Meeting	8	9 Snow Ball dance 7-9	10 PLDay No School	11
12	13 Parent Teacher 4-7pm	14 Parent Teacher 4-7pm	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Grade 9 immunizations	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Upcoming Important Dates

Friday December 1

- School Closed

Monday December 4

- School Council Meeting 6pm

Friday December 15

- PLD NO SCHOOL for students

Friday Dec 22 - Friday Jan 5

- Christmas Break

Monday January 8

- FIRST DAY BACK

Monday January 8

- School Council Meeting 6pm

Friday January 19

- Last Day Regular Classes

Monday -Tuesday January 22-30

- Exam Week (9 days)

Grade 9 parents

If you have not yet returned your routine immunization forms, please return them ASAP If anyone has questions, please call Public health at 780-513-7548.

DEADLINE NOVEMBER 6

Location: G.P.C.H.S

• NOVEMBER 14-17, 2023

BREAKING NEWS

G.P.C.H.S & C.I.A Solutions present
identity FILM CAMP

Dive into a world of drama, creativity, and technical magic. Whether you dream of acting, directing, or interviewing fascinating characters, this camp has it all. Limited spots, so act now and discover your true identity through film.

Contact Mr. Vobeyda for more details and to secure your spot.

The Comp has partnered with CIA Solutions to present a film camp. The camp will provide students with the opportunity to participate in a week-long filmmaking workshop that will focus on two main components: News Broadcast and Skill Development. Students will have the opportunity to have hands-on learning experiences in acting, directing, makeup, wardrobe, props, and the technical side of production which includes training in equipment setup and usage, lighting, sound, camera operation and postproduction. The camp will run from November 14-17. If your student is interested please have them come by The Office by November 6th to sign up.

School Pictures and ID's

Upon taking their school pictures, students are assigned a unique school ID which serves a multitude of purposes both within and beyond The Comp's premises.

Such as:

- Checking out books from our library
- Attendance into events within the school during non-school hours
- Admittance onto the City Transit Buses

In the event your student missed the school pictures, they can still obtain a school photo ID card. Please note that to do so, you will need to go to Watson's and have your student's picture taken. You are not obligated to purchase any of the pictures taken during this process. The picture taken will exclusively be utilized for creating a school ID. Please keep in mind that a school ID cannot be assigned to your student without a photo.

Please follow these steps:

(CUT OFF FOR RETAKES IS NOVEMBER 12TH, THEREFOR THESE STEPS MUST BE DONE PRIOR TO THIS CUT OFF DATE)

Here are the list of actions required:

- Initiate a request for a CODE with The Office.
- Instruct the student to furnish The Office with their full name, grade, and student number (if unknown, The Office can assist).
- Await Watson's response to The Office, providing a CODE.
- Accompany the student with the CODE to have their picture taken before Nov 12.

DEADLINE

November 12

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Grad photos

2024 Bookings begin

FEB 5 - MAR 30

Watsons Foto Source

780.532.1779



**EARLY BOOKINGS
NOVEMBER 1, 2023**

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SNOWBALL

DANCE
7PM - 9PM



9
NOVEMBER

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ONLY COMPOSITE
HIGH STUDENTS WILL BE GRANTED ADMISSION,
AND A VALID STUDENT ID CARD MUST BE
PRESENTED. (OR POWERSCHOOL ON THEIR
PHONES)

Just three bucks for a slice of pizza and a bottle of water. But why stop there? Grab extra slices for just two bucks each!

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WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

PEER TUTORING CLUB



Are you ready to tackle the world of tutoring?
Please inform your student to hop on board our
Google Classroom to sign up as a tutor OR as a
tutee!

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Want to know the whereabouts of your kid's school bus?

Grab the free FirstView App and stay in the know <https://www.firstviewapp.com/>

Keep your finger on the pulse of your child's transportation and check out <https://bit.ly/3tEp4nV> for more ways to stay in the loop!

Busing App

FIRSTview



Track your child's bus location & status

Whether you're on the go with your mobile or chilling at your desktop, the app is a breeze to use and offers push notifications for real-time updates on any delays or cancellations.



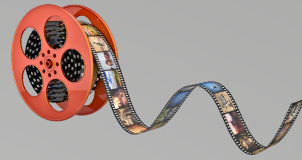
**Grande Prairie
Public School Division**

[GPCHS.GPPSD](https://www.facebook.com/GPCHS.GPPSD)

[@gpchs.gppsd](https://www.instagram.com/gpchs.gppsd)



Current Clubs



Mon

E-sports
2018

Student Council
1083

Beading
1097

Tue

Animation & Film
2063

Interact
1082

Speed run
2034

Wed

E-sports
2018

Yarn Club
1082

Kiva
2027

School News
2063

Model UN
2011B

Thu

E-sports
2018

Chess
2027

Speed run
2034

First Responders
11:45
2064

Fri

E-sports
2018

Chess
2027



All clubs have been approved by Mr. Vobeyda and are supervised by the teacher within the stated classrooms. All begin at 11:35.

These clubs are student lead and we are very proud of their initiative!



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Report Card, Grades, Teacher Comments

- 1 Go to <http://powerschool.gppsd.ab.ca/public/>
 - Enter your username and password.
- 2 - If you have forgotten or do not know your sign in information please call the school at
 - 780-532-7721.

To view Report Cards

If you have multiple children you can switch between them by clicking the students name

If you are having any issues viewing the report cards please pay special attention to the items beside the red stars. ★

The supported browser for this report is Chrome. Other browsers can be used but will not be supported. ★
 Click the report card name to view. Can't see the report card? Try unblocking popups in your browser. ★

Name	School	Date
Grade 10 - S1 - 2023-2023	Grande Prairie Composite High School	01/30/2023
Grade 9 - S1 - 2021-2022	Grande Prairie Composite High School	01/31/2022
Grade 9 - S2 - 2021-2022	Grande Prairie Composite High School	06/29/2022
Grade 8 - R1 - 2020-2021	Denik Taylor Public School	11/27/2020
Grade 8 - R2	Denik Taylor Public School	03/12/2021
Grade 8 - R3		06/25/2021
Grade 8 - R3		06/22/2020

Click to view Report Cards, then click on the report card you'd like to view.

Print report cards, right click and choose the printer from the Destination drop-down. ★
 * Select paper size, Letter and orientation as Landscape

To generate a PDF file, right click and in the Destination drop down choose "Save as PDF" ★

To view Current Grades and Teacher Comments

Grades and Attendance: Click to view current grades

Click to see details of current grade

Exp	Last Week					This Week					Attendance By Class				Absences	Tardies
	M	T	W	H	F	M	T	W	H	F	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
B1											[1]	8			12	4
B1													[1]	[1]	1	0
B2											50	46			15	11
B2													[1]	[1]	2	2
B3											[1]	[1]			13	11
B3													[1]	[1]	1	2
B4											70	64			10	11
B4													[1]	[1]	3	0

Teacher Comments: In "Teacher Comments", choose the reporting term you would like to view

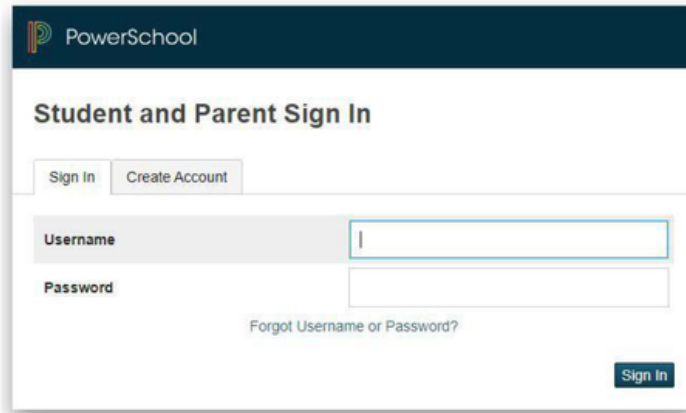
Reporting Term: Q1

Click to view Teacher Comments

Exp	Course #	Course	Teacher	Comment
B1(D-1-D4)				For the next, Group to lead a healthy & important of ial assigned for to enjoy this
B1(D-1-D4)				nd coming to see me
B2(D-1-D4)				our third of Eve
B3(D-1-D4)				obnoxious in the



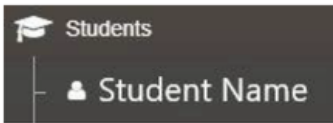
Registration Update Forms

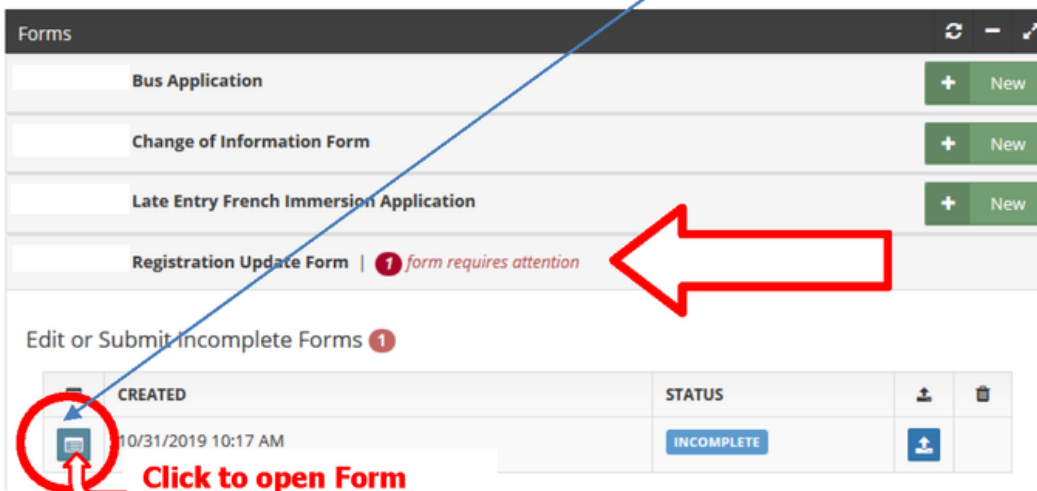
Please log into PowerSchool <https://powerschool.gppsd.ab.ca/public/> If you have forgotten your Username or Password, please call the school 780.532.7721



The image shows the PowerSchool login interface. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the PowerSchool logo. Below it, the title "Student and Parent Sign In" is displayed. There are two buttons: "Sign In" and "Create Account". Below these are two input fields: "Username" and "Password". A link "Forgot Username or Password?" is located below the password field. A "Sign In" button is at the bottom right of the form.

Do NOT create a new account.



1. Once logged in, click on the  SchoolEngage icon at the bottom left hand menu.
2. A new screen will load. Click  Students in the left menu
3.  Click on your child's name. Repeat the next steps for all registered children.
4. After clicking your child's name, you will see a list of forms on the right side of the screen (this may take a few seconds to load). Please select the **2023-2024 Registration Update Form**. Click the blue icon (circled in red) and follow the steps to complete your registration update. Click **SUBMIT** when done.



The screenshot shows a "Forms" list with the following items:

- Bus Application (+ New)
- Change of Information Form (+ New)
- Late Entry French Immersion Application (+ New)
- Registration Update Form | 1 form requires attention

A red arrow points to the "Registration Update Form" entry. Below the list is a section titled "Edit or Submit Incomplete Forms" with a table:

CREATED	STATUS		
10/31/2019 10:17 AM	INCOMPLETE		

A red circle highlights the blue icon in the table, with a red arrow pointing to it and the text "Click to open Form".

CHANGE OF INFORMATION

#1. Sign into PowerSchool here:

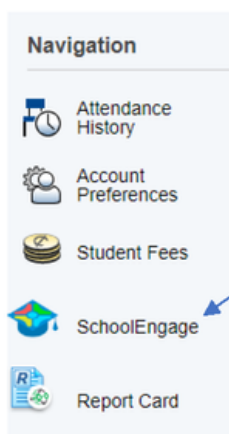
<https://powerschool.gppsd.ab.ca/public/>

Enter username:

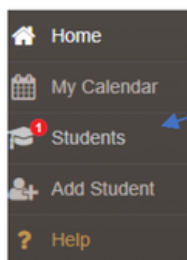
Enter password:

If you have forgotten either of these please call 780.532.7721 to have this reset

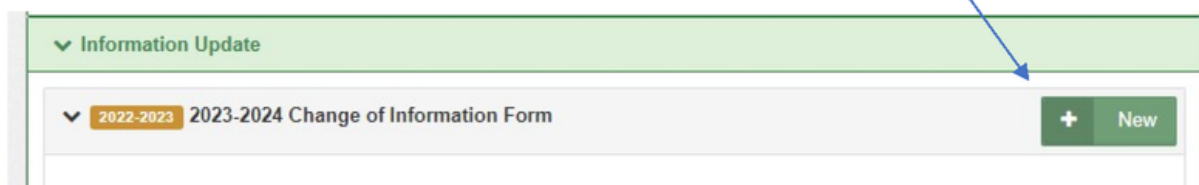
#2 Once in PowerSchool please click on the tab "School Engage" located on the lefthand side of screen.



#3 Once in School Engage, under "Students". Now select the student you are making the change for.



#4 Once you've selected the student, you will see several different options on the righthand side of the screen (this may take a moment to populate). Next select "Change of Information Form" (+New) and complete this form.

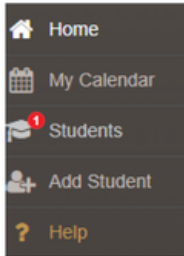


To enter a change of address you will need to attach proof of address. Examples are utility bill or lease that includes legal parent or guardian name and new address.

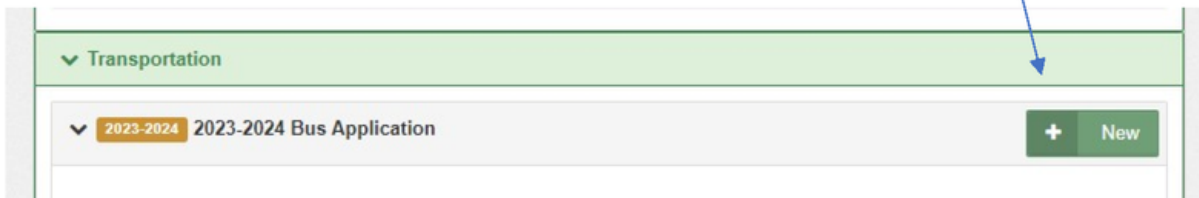
APPLY FOR A BUS PASS

#1. Once in School Engage, click on "Student" and all students listed in your account will populate, select the student you are wanting a bus pass for.

Here's what you'll see:



#2. Once your options on the right side populate, find TRANSPORTATION and select "Bus Application"



#3. Complete all information on the form. When you come to the 9th tab make sure you click on the edulog to ensure that they are eligible for free bussing. It looks like this:

Please check your child's busing eligibility here:

<https://edulog.gppsd.ab.ca/livewq/webquery/>

Once you submit, it can take up to 5 days for it to arrive at the school, until that time you are responsible for transportation for your student to/from school.

PLEASE NOTE: WE DO NOT HAVE TEMPORARY PASSES, IF YOUR STUDENT LOSES THEIR PASS THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RIDE THE BUS AND MUST ARRANGE OTHER TRANSPORTATION.

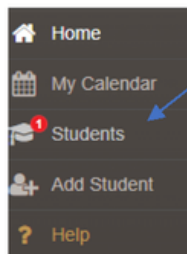
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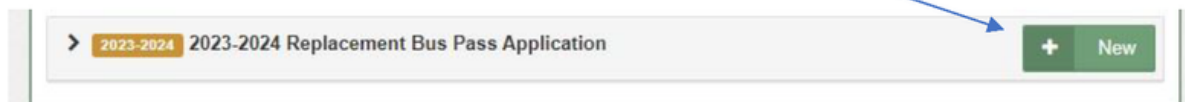
REPLACEMENT BUS PASS

#1. Once in School Engage, click on "Student" and all students listed in your account will populate, select the student you are wanting a replacement bus pass for.

Here's what you'll see:



#2. Once your options on the right side populate, find TRANSPORTATION and select Replacement Bus Pass Application, click directly on NEW



#3. Complete information requested on the form. If there have been NO changes to the address you will not need to check for eligibility.

Once you submit, it can take up to 5 days for it to arrive at the school, until that time you are responsible for driving your student to/from school. They are not permitted on the bus unless they physically have their card in hand to scan up entering the bus.

PLEASE NOTE: WE DO NOT HAVE TEMPORARY PASSES, IF YOUR STUDENT LOSES THEIR PASS THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RIDE THE BUS AND MUST ARRANGE OTHER TRANSPORTATION

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USEFUL LINKS

[FirstView App](#)

[GPCHS Facebook Page](#)

[GPCHS Instagram Page](#)

[Bus locations and status](#)

[Ordering school pictures](#)

[Grande Prairie Public School District](#)
(register, busing, boundaries, tutorials)

[Composite High School Website](#)
(supply lists, bells times, newsletters, etc,)

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