# IMPORTANT TIDBITS OF COUNSELLOR STUFF

# GRADUATION

### REQUIREMENTS

- Students must have 100 credits or more to graduate
- They must have English and Social to grade 12
- Math and Science at least to grade 11
- Phys Ed 10, CALM (Career and Life Management) 20
- 10 Options credits (can include Career and Tech Studies, Fine Arts, Phys Ed 20/30, Second Languages, etc)
- 10 additional (non-English/Social) credits at the grade 12 level (can include 'core' classes or options/work experience)

# CREDITS/TRANSCRIPT HOW CAN WE CHECK CREDITS?

- Every student needs to sign up for MyPass (<u>mypass.alberta.ca</u>)
- MyPass allows you to access:
  - Detailed Academic Report (aka: unofficial transcript)
  - Graduation Checklist
  - Diploma Exam results
  - Official transcript ordering
  - Registration to re-write Diploma exams
  - and more!



### Please Note:

Marks for January Diploma Exams will be available on myPass Feb. 16.

If you do not have myPass access but have written a January Diploma Exam, you will receive an express access code letter from Alberta Education via Canada post. Use this letter to gain access to myPass.

If you receive a message that your myPass pin/express access code has expired, please sign in with your Education Account and then click on the "Request Access to My Information" button and follow the instructions.

# myPass is an Alberta Education secure self-service website for Alberta students to:

- ✓ View diploma exam results and request rescores
- Register to write a diploma exam
- Order high school transcripts
- √ View progress towards a credential (diploma or certificate)
- √ View and print a Detailed Academic Report (DAR)
- Order additional copies of an awarded credential
- ✓ View student personal information

### Sign in with an Education Account >>

### Click here!

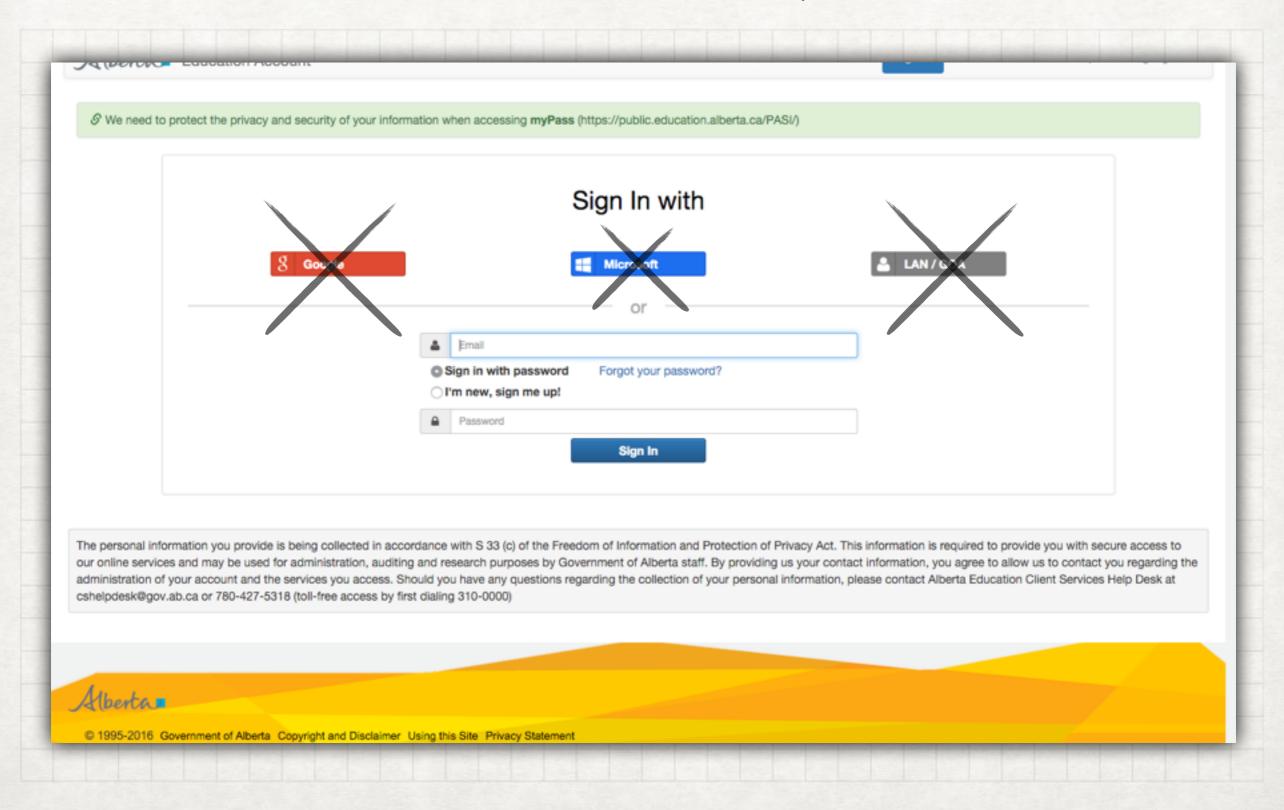
First time to myPass? Sign in with an Education Account to connect to student information.

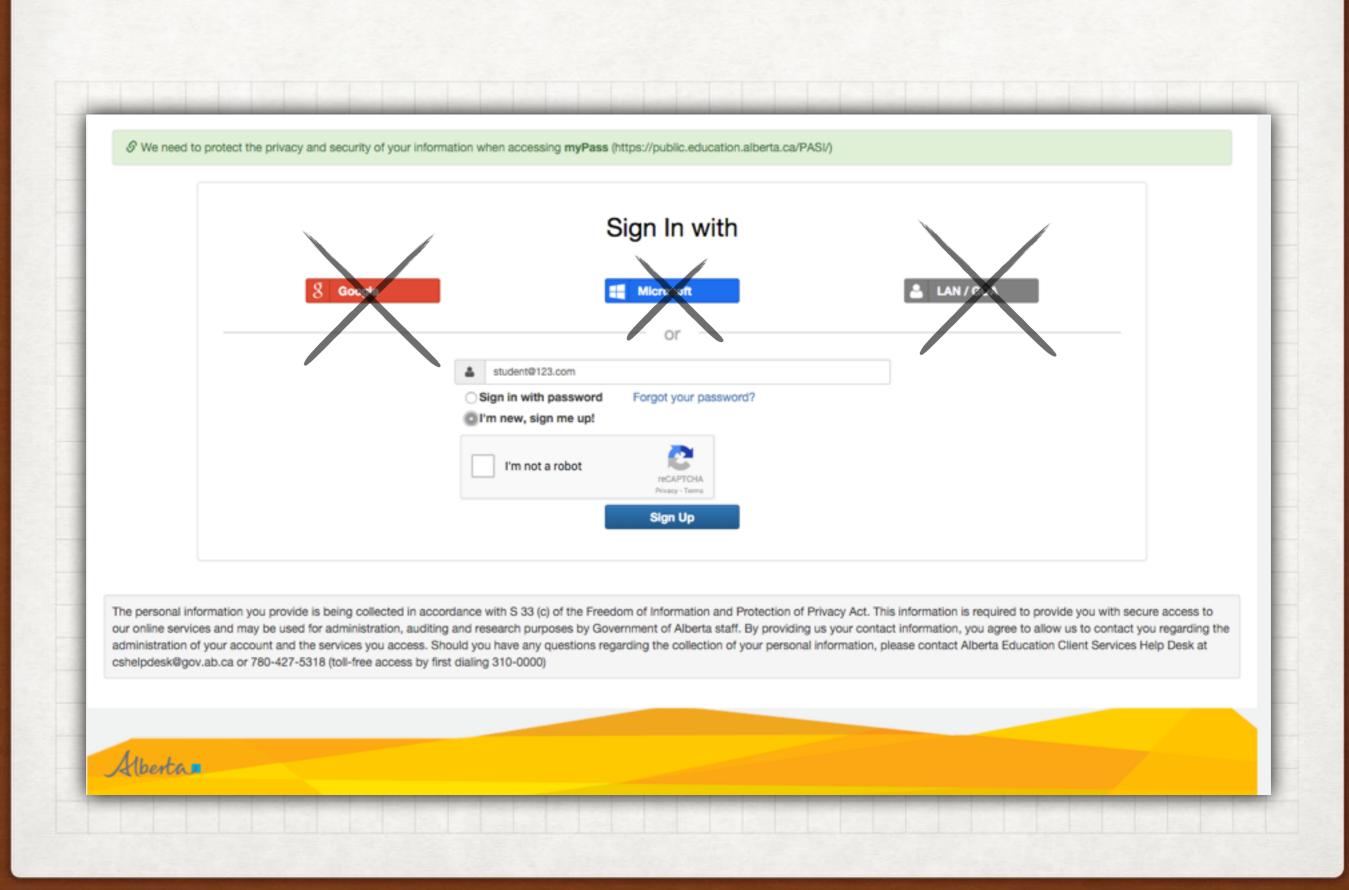
Don't have an Education Account? You can create one during sign in.

To use all the features offered by myPass, please ensure you are using a <u>supported</u> <u>browser</u>.

# DO NOT USE YOUR RVSCHOOLS

EMAIL ACCOUNT - USE A PERSONAL, PERMANENT ONE





Sign In Res Email confirmation link sent to: student@123.com. Please check your email and click the confirmation link. and the subject will be Your Education Account Sign Up Request. right and Disclaimer Using this Site Privacy Statement

- Once your child has clicked the confirmation link in his/her email account, there will be additional screens of information to fill out.
- Your child will need his/her Alberta Student Number (NOT Powerschool number) - it is listed as ASN# on your child's PowerSchool page... in big writing.
- Once you have completed the sign up, you will need to wait for a PIN number to be mailed to you. It should take less than 2 weeks.
   When you receive it, have your child immediately complete the connection as the PIN does expire.
- If you or your child needs help, please see a counsellor or Ms. Pollock in the business office.

# READING TRANSCRIPTS

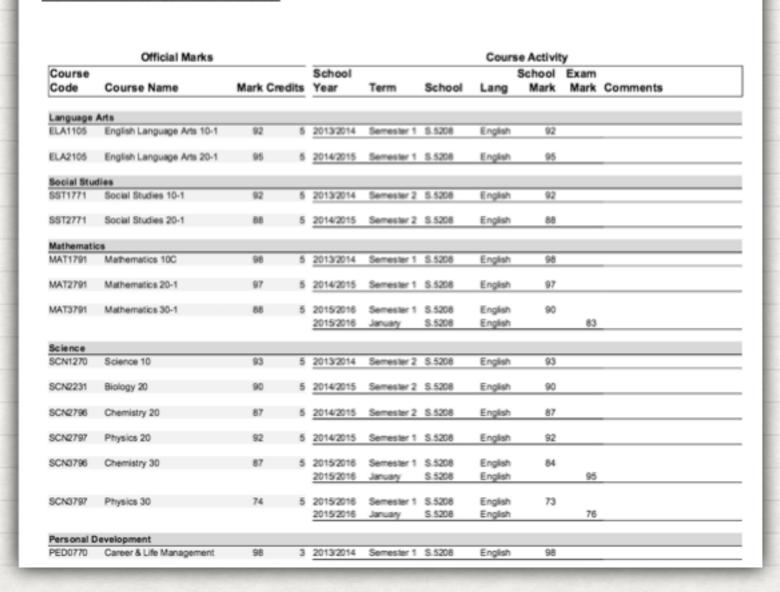


DETAILED ACADEMIC REPORT

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Alberta Student Number Legal Name Date of Birth

134 High School Credits as of 15 MAR 2016





### CREDENTIAL REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

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Achievement as of 15 MAR 2016



ALBERTA HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

In Progress

Alberta High School Diploma: English

Not Achieved

Requirement	Student's Progress
 100 Credits Awarded 100 or more credits are required.	134 credits awarded
 30 Level English Language Arts Credit in a 30 level English Language Arts course is required.	No credits awarded for a relevant course
 30 Level Social Studies Credit in a 30 level Social Studies course is required.	No credits awarded for a relevant course
 20 Level Mathematics Credit in a 20 level Mathematics course is required.	10 credits awarded
 20 Level Science Credit in a 20 level Science course is required.	25 credits awarded
 10 Level Physical Education 3 credits in Physical Education 10 are required.	3 credits awarded
 Career And Life Management 3 credits in Career and Life Management are required.	3 credits awarded
 Additional Credit 10 credits in any combination of eligible courses are required.	31 credits awarded
 Additional 30 Level Course(s) 10 credits in eligible additional 30 level courses are required.	49 credits awarded
 Has Alberta School Mark At least 5 credits in eligible courses through an Alberta accredited institution are required.	The student has been awarded 49 credits through work completed in Alberta for 30 level course(s)

THIS CHECKLIST IS FOR STUDENT AND SCHOOL INFORMATION USE ONLY THIS CONTAINS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AND IS NOT AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

Visit myPass at https://myPass.alberta.ca for your latest marks and transcript.

# POST SECONDARY OPTIONS

- Generally student options for after high school are:
  - Directly into the workforce
  - Taking a year/semester to complete upgrading
  - Apprenticeship programs
  - College programs
  - University programs

- To apply to college programs with most public Alberta colleges/universities, students must apply through <u>ApplyAlberta.ca</u>.
- This allows the colleges and universities to access student transcripts without requiring students to send them directly to the schools.
- Private colleges/universities (like MC College for cosmetology, etc) have their own application procedures.
- Deadlines are unique for most programs, so your child needs to make sure he/she is paying attention to them. There are no extensions or opportunities to apply if the deadline is missed, unless your child waits until the next year/next starting date.

# VERY GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

- As every university program is different, these are very, very general requirements.
  - All students applying to 99% of all university programs must have:
  - English 30-1
  - Four other 30-level classes. Usually at least two of these must be considered academic classes. Some universities will require that students have three more academic classes.
  - The fifth class can often be an option class, Social 30-2, work experience, etc.

- Some programs, like Engineering, will indicate all five courses a student must have:
  - English 30-1, Physics 30, Math 30-1, Chemistry 30, Math 31
- Some programs, like the Bachelor of Arts at Mount Royal, will have some strange requirements:
  - English 30-1, Math 30-1/Math 30-2/Grade 12 Second Language
- Most importantly, it is your child's responsibility to check to make sure he/she has the requirements to apply to any program.
- If he/she needs help or has questions, that's one of the reasons we're here!

- Applications usually open in October.
- Early admission usually ends in mid-December.
- General applications close anytime from February until August.
- Please ensure you or your child is checking on these dates.
   Because they are different for every school and can even vary by program within a school, there is no magic date.
- The moral? Apply early.

# SCHOLARSHIPS!

- There are a variety of scholarships available to high school students.
- Generally:
  - Scholarship: for academic achievement
  - Bursary: for financial need
  - Grant: for interesting projects or extracurricular achievements
- Hunting for scholarships is like having a part time job. If you work for one hour, you won't make much money. If you work for 100 hours, you will make more money (and find more hidden scholarships).

- There is no one book or website that has every scholarship available to students. Finding scholarships involves creative thinking, lots of research, and the skilled use of google.
- With that said, there are some good places to start.
- Chestermere High website -

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### DEPARTMENTS

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Culinary Arts

English

ESL/FNMI

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Fine Arts

K&E

Learning Support

Library

Math

### **Counselling Department**











### Book an Appointment with Ms. Guitard or Ms. Allan

Students with last names A through to L, please Oclick here to book an appointment with Ms. Allan.

Students with last names M through to Z, please sclick here to book an appointment with Ms. Guitard.

\*\*Please note: We are trialling a new way of booking appointments, so Ms. Allan and Ms. Guitard's appointment forms do not link to a Google Appointment Scheduler anymore\*\*

### COUNSELLORS

Ms. Allan

Ms. Guitard

## NAVIGATION Scholarships DEPARTMENTS Athletics Counselling CTS Culinary Arts English ESL/FNMI Extra-Curricular Fine Arts K&E Learning Support Library Math Modern Languages P.E. Science

Social

### Scholarships

A listing of places to begin your scholarship search.

### Scholarships: Where Do I Start?

We recommend that each grade 12 student schedule an appointment with his or her school counsellor for more detailed, tailored, and customized information regarding scholarships and eligibility for scholarships. What we have listed below is merely a place for all students to start.

### 1. The Rutherford Scholarship.

This is an easy scholarship to apply for and all students who are planning on going somewhere for Post-Secondary should apply. More information can be found here.

### 2. ALIS

There are five pages linked from the ALIS website. Each of the links provides a list of scholarships that students might be eligible for. The ALIS website for scholarships can be found there.

### 3. Yconic.com

This free, Canadian database of scholarships will attempt to filter scholarships for you so that only scholarships you are eligible for will show up. There are also wonderful web forums and articles to help you in your scholarship hunt. The website is: OYconic.com.

### 4. ScholarshipsCanada.com

This is another free, Canadian database of scholarships, bursaries, grants, and contests. After creating a profile, the system will attempt to filter its database of more than 80,000 awards to ones that you are eligible for. The website is: ScholarshipsCanada.com.

### 4. Local Scholarships

Students from Chestermere High School might be eligible for the Rocky View Teachers' Scholarship or the Chestermere High School Scholarship. Please see Ms. Allan or Ms. Guitard for more information and to pick up the application forms.

### 5. Remind

Remind is a free service that allows us to send out short updates to people who have subscribed to the service. You can choose to download an app for iOS or Android, or have messages delivered via text to your phone.

To download the app, please go to <a href="mailto:grmd.me">grmd.me</a> on your phone and choose the correct platform. Our class code is: <a href="mailto:golder:gol

### COUNSELLORS

Ms. Allan

Ms. Guitard

# THE RUTHERFORD

### SCHOLARSHIP

- The Rutherford Scholarship
   http://studentaid.alberta.ca/scholarships/alberta-scholarship/
- Guaranteed money based on average and classes taken up to \$2500 available.
- Money available for Grade 10 average, Grade 11 average, and Grade
   12 average, or any combination of those.
- Applications for 2016-2017 scholarships will open later this school year.
- There is NO deadline, but you should apply about 6 weeks before you need the money at the school.

# THE CHESTERMERE HIGH

### SCHOLARSHIP

- Application forms are available in the Wellness Centre.
- Based on marks and other school activities.
- Students must bring in an official transcript (not the DAR) when the school re-opens in August and students must also bring in the completed application form.
- Generally, due by Sept 1

# THE ROCKY VIEW TEACHERS'

### SCHOLARSHIP

- Application forms are available in the Wellness Centre.
- Based on overall average from grade 12.
- The application form must be received by the selection committee no later than June 25.
- An official transcript (not the DAR) must be sent from Alberta Education and received by the scholarship committee no later than August 17.

# OTHER GOOD RESOURCES

### FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

- ALIS <a href="https://alis.alberta.ca/et/fo/pay/scholarships.html">https://alis.alberta.ca/et/fo/pay/scholarships.html</a>
- Yconic <a href="https://yconic.com/">https://yconic.com/</a>
- ScholarshipsCanada <a href="http://www.scholarshipscanada.com/">http://www.scholarshipscanada.com/</a>
- Sign up for our Remind updates from the Wellness Centre
  - Send a text to: 780-628-1809
     with the message: @918d
     You will receive text messages
  - You can also go to: <a href="www.remind.com/join/918d">www.remind.com/join/918d</a> to receive emails OR texts

# WORK EXPERIENCE

### EARN HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS

- Work Experience allows students to earn high school credits for any work or volunteering that they do while in high school.
- These hours can be done during the school year or over the summer.
- Students can earn a maximum of 30 credits, and can use 15 of those toward high school graduation requirements.
- To enroll, your child needs to speak to Dr. Judah to pick up the contracts and arrange a site visit.
- Site visits must be completed before any hours are accumulated.

# MYBLUEPRINT IS SUPER COOL

- www.myblueprint.ca/rockyview
- A planning and research tool for high school and beyond.
- When students sign up through the Rockyview link above, they will need to input their ASN and their birthdate.
- When that happens, MyBlueprint will link with PowerSchool and their courses will be updated and listed in the High School Planner.
- Other neat things an awesome resume and cover letter builder, a Rutherford Scholarship calculator, Career Spectrum career and aptitude assessment, financial planner/budgeting tool, and more.
- Let's take a look...

# WHAT ELSE ARE WE GOOD FOR?

- We provide a comprehensive school counselling program.
- This means that we provide academic counselling for course planning, course selection, and can help students improve their academic skills.
- We also provide career direction, help with planning for a career or postsecondary goals, field trips to encourage students to investigate their options.
- We also provide some social-emotional programming and counselling support,
   which includes referrals to other agencies for more in depth counselling.
- Our counselling programs help support students in self discovery and also support students who are receiving outside of school mental health counselling.
- We are not a student's primary mental health counsellor.

# QUESTIONS/CONTACT

- If you have questions, please contact us:
- Beth Allan students with last names A-L ballan@rockyview.ab.ca
- Michelle Guitard students with last names M-Z mguitard@rockyview.ab.ca
- Email is usually the best way to reach us with non-emergency inquiries.