



Transcona Collegiate Newsletter – October 2020



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Important Dates

Remembrance Day Virtual Service
11.9.20 / 11.10.20

Term 1 Ends
11.13.20

Co-Ordinated Day – No Classes
11.20.20

Virtual Parent Conferences
11.26.20 – 5:00pm – 8:00pm

Grad Photos
12.7.20 – 12.14.20

Last Day Before Winter Break
12.18.2

Principal’s Message

We are all part of the Transcona Collegiate family! We hope you enjoy reading and viewing many of the “GOOD NEWS” news from this communication.

Please see our [Meet the TC Staff video](#) created October 15th!

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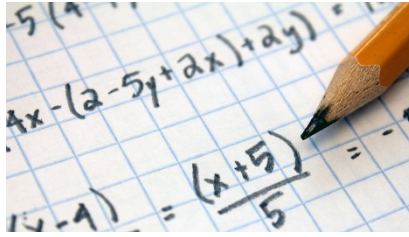
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Curricular Celebrations



Math Successes: In the 2019-2020 school year, Transcona Collegiate students were given the opportunities to write Math Contests for both the University of Manitoba and the University of Waterloo. We are very

proud of all the students who participated! Congratulations go out to Max Bailer, Kyle Offenloch, Joyce Chan, Ivan Provozin, Cedrick Bagamasbad, Carolyn Wang, Ernest Gonzales, Tuan An Tran, and Jezreel Domingo.

Indigenous Academic Achievement:

IAA: This month students in the Eagle's Nest were able to share in a smudge and a tipi teaching from our divisional Community & Cultural Support Worker, Lisa Aymont Hunter.

A special congratulations goes out to Max Bailer who earned a certificate of distinction and a medal for his performance on the Pascal Contest, to Kyle Offenloch who earned a certificate of distinction for his performance on the Pascal Contest, and to Ernest Gonzales who earned a certificate of distinction and a medal for his performance on the Fermat Contest. These young men finished with scores in the top 25% of all Canadian contestants to earn a 'Certificate of Distinction' and the top TC student obtained a certain threshold to earn a medal.

Well done and congratulations again to the students who chose to write these contests. We are so proud of these Titans!



Dance looks a little different this year! Students have been attending class virtually from their homes. Live classes are held every day to learn a variety of steps, technique, flexibility and strengthening routines, as well as

balance and coordination exercises. Students are building on these skills to generate ideas to create dances. Students studied the history of Hip Hop dance and recently investigated the evolution of Hip Hop dance in Manitoba. We are currently focusing on a lyrical unit that incorporates aspects of ballet and jazz into movements that allow the students to tell a story through dance.



TC Music:



Grade 9 Band

With the recent shift to no-wind-instrument Band classes, I pulled our rhythm section gear into the Music room so that our grade 9 band could continue to do music. We have 3 drum sets, 3 bass guitars with amps, 3 guitars and 7 pianos currently and we are learning to play a variety of tunes, including the blues.

Performing Arts Leadership

We have so many terrific students at TC, and many of them are in Music. We recently formed the PAL (Performing Arts Leadership) group to serve as a student voice for Arts in the school, to mentor younger Arts students and to spearhead some performance opportunities for this year. At our first meeting we had about 25 Music, Drama and Dance students.

Their first initiative is to create a video service for Remembrance Day. It will be posted to YouTube for families to see and we will have a link on the TC website.

Music Parents Association

We will schedule a meeting for the TC MPA when we have some business to discuss. We are just waiting on some decisions from the school division before we can move ahead with some of our projects for this year.

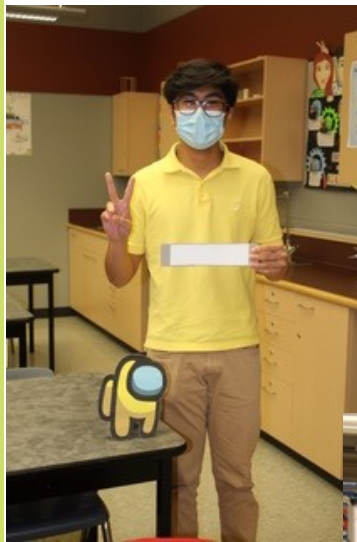
School Life Celebrations

Despite the circumstances and limited school interaction our enthusiastic virtual student council has started meeting weekly. This year our executives were elected differently than in the past. Students who were interested in leadership positions created original campaign videos promoting themselves and their vision for a successful virtual student council. Congratulations to the following students on their elected roles:

- **Thomas Hepworth:** Student Council President
- **Reid Hepworth:** Student Council Vice-President
- **Franchesca Alminana:** Secretary
- **Gabby Serek & Ernest Gonzales:** Social Media and Advertising Chairs

This year started out with an exciting virtual Halloween costume and pumpkin carving contest. We are pleased with the overwhelming submissions from our Titan community. Student council is looking forward to planning many more events this year. For more information please follow us on Instagram at: @official_transcona_collegiate

TC Halloween Spirit!





Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences

November 6th, 2020

Dear Titan families,

We hope this letter finds you well. We would like to thank our students and families for a successful start to the school year! Students continue to do an excellent job of working to keep each other safe by showing regard for the health and safety guidelines related to COVID-19.

We are now rapidly approaching the mid-point of the first semester and students have been actively engaged in assessment. We are looking forward to the opportunity to discuss progress and to plan for success with students and parents during our first Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences of the year. Given the current health and safety concerns, we will be using Microsoft Teams as our means of connecting with families to conference online instead of in-person meetings.

Virtual conferences using MS Teams will take place on Thursday, November 26th throughout the day. Appointments can be booked through the Conference Manager link: <https://retsd.schoolsoft.com> Conference Manager will be open for bookings starting on November 10. Once you have booked an appointment, the teacher will send you a Teams link via email. You will use the link to access the online meeting at the scheduled conference time. Telephone conferences will be available as an alternative for any families who have limited access to technology.

Please note that teachers will be reaching out to contact parents in situations where a conference is imperative to discuss student progress and to work together to establish a plan for success.

Report Cards will be posted to the Parent/Student Portal on Friday, November 20th, 2020.

We look forward to engaging with you in planning conversations and connecting to discuss student progress.

Feel free to contact us with any questions you may have. Keep well and thank you for your continued support as we navigate these unusual times together!

The Transcona Collegiate Admin Team

Parents create and manage their own accounts.

1. Overview - Creating an Account:

<https://vimeo.com/468225506>

2. Booking a Conference/Meeting:

<https://vimeo.com/468250128>

3. Conferences Using a Mobile Device:

<https://vimeo.com/468252027>

4. Conferences Using a Computer:

<https://vimeo.com/468255284>