Badger Bulletin

Friday September 25th, 2026

Dear Big Rock Families,

Thank you to Denny's for the generation donation of our pancake breakfast. We are so grateful for this continued partnership. We also extend gratitude to our parents who contributed their time to help out this morning!

New Field Trip Procedures

We are participating in a pilot program regarding field trip permissions. The goal is to enhance the experience for families and teachers by using a platform that is more "user friendly."

Soon, Mrs. Redmond will be sending out an email to families asking you to sign up for the FSD Consent Portal Pilot. Please use the email that is connected to your Edsembli account.

As you navigate the site and experience it in 'real time,' you may want to share your experiences or provide feedback. Look for the box that says, "Provide Feedback and Report Issues Here."

We will be using this platform for all of our field trips this year. Due to legal concerns, paper copies, and phone call or email permissions are no longer accepted.

Cell Phone Use Policy

Alberta has a province-wide requirement restricting personal mobile devices in schools through **Ministerial Order 014/2024 (Education)**, which came into effect on **September 1, 2024**.

Foothills School Division's mobile device procedure requires that students in ECS to Grade 6 keep personal mobile devices, including cell phones and smartwatches, powered off and stored out of sight throughout the entire school day. This expectation applies during class time, recess, lunch, and before and after school.

Parents who need to reach their child during the school day are asked to contact the school office.

Upcoming Dates

- **Tuesday, September 29:** Orange Shirt Day
- **Tuesday, September 29:** Lockdown Practice #1
- **Wednesday, September 30th:** National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- **Thursday, October 1:** Picture Day
- **Monday, October 19:** Non-Instructional Day for Students
- **Wednesday, October 21:** Grade 6 Vaccinations
- **Wednesday, October 21:** School Council Meeting (All parents welcome) from 6-7:30 pm.
- **Friday, October 30:** Halloween Carnival hosted by Grade 6 in pm
- **Friday, October 30:** Family Dance hosted by School Council 6-8 pm

Thank you,
Big Rock School