



# MMGC Newsletter

## January 2026

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## Principal's Message

**Happy New Year!** We hope you had a wonderful winter break and enjoyed time with family and friends—even if the snow kept things interesting!

January is always a busy month as we wrap up semester one and prepare for final assessments. **End-of-term assessments will take place January 20–23**, and students are required to attend all scheduled sessions. Please note that **Wednesday, January 21** will follow a modified schedule to accommodate two exams.

Looking ahead, students will soon be able to access their **semester two classes on Edsby**. Our counselors are working diligently to ensure schedules are accurate. If you notice any errors or require changes, please reach out to Student Services.

**Course selection for next year** will begin in February and continue through March. To support this process, we've developed a new **Course Selection Website** for students. Grade assemblies will be held in early February to guide students through the site and help them make informed choices. Parents are invited to join us for an **information night on Tuesday, January 13**, where we'll share strategies for supporting students during course selection. Grade 9–11 students will receive in-class support from counselors and administration for their class selection.

For families with **Grade 8 students**, mark your calendars for our **Annual Open House on Wednesday, February 4 at 7:00 PM**.

Our winter sports season is in full swing! We deeply appreciate the time, energy, and commitment of our staff who make extracurricular activities possible, as well as the hard work of our students and the ongoing support from parents and the community.

Thank you for your continued partnership in creating a vibrant school community. Wishing you health, happiness, and success in the year ahead!

Jay Harvey  
Principal



# Marion M. Graham Semester 1

## Final Assessment Schedule 2025-26



### Grade 9 – Grade 12

	Tuesday January 20	Wednesday January 21	Thursday January 22	Friday January 23
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Period 1 Assessment	Period 2 Assessment	Period 3 Assessment	Period 5 Assessment
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	<b>LUNCH</b>			
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Outcome Completion	(Extended Lunch) 12:30-2:30pm Period 4 Assessment	Outcome Completion	Outcome Completion

**Outcome Completion** is an optional opportunity for additional time in classes for students to demonstrate their learning. Because this time may look different in each class, students should contact their teachers if they need additional time to attain course outcomes.

### Course Selection presentation for Parents followed by School Community Council Meeting – Tuesday, January 13

Dear Falcon Families of Grades 9–11,

We invite you to join us on **Tuesday, January 13**, from **6:00 PM to 7:00 PM** in the **Library** for a parent information session focused on **Course Selection** for the 2026–2027 school year. This meeting will provide you with the essential details to help support your student(s) in choosing their classes.

The evening will begin with a brief presentation, followed by breakout sessions where we will share grade-specific information and answer any questions you may have.

We look forward to seeing you there!

## Dates to Remember

**January 12—Wrestling Dual Meet @ BJM at 4:30 pm**

**January 14— Sr. Girls Basketball MG @ BR at 6:15 pm**

**Sr. Boys Basketball MG @ BR at 8:00 pm**

**January 15—Wrestling Dual Meet STJ @ MG at 1:00 pm**

**January 20 to January 23—Final Assessments**

**January 26 & January 27—PD/Planning No School for Students**

**January 28—First Day of Semester 2**

**January 28—Sr. Girls Basketball MG @ TD at 6:15 pm**

**Sr. Boys Basketball MG @ TD at 8:00 pm**

**February 3—Sr. Girls Basketball SCS @ MG at 6:15 pm**

**Sr. Boys Basketball SCS @ MG at 8:00 pm**

**February 2 to February 6 —Grad Photos**

**February 4—Grade 8 Open House @ 7:00 pm**

**February 5— Early Dismissal**

**February 10 —Sr. Girls Basketball MR @ MG at 6:15 pm**

**Sr. Boys Basketball MR @ MG at 8:00 pm**

**February 10—Girls/Boys Quad Dual City Championships**

**February 12—Junior City Championships @ Bethlehem**

**February 16 to February 20—Family Day/February Break**

**February 23—Badminton Starts**

**February 24 —Sr. Girls Basketball MG @ BR at 6:15 pm**

**Sr. Boys Basketball MG @ BR at 8:00 pm**

**February 26—Early Dismissal**

**February 26 —Sr. Girls Basketball MG @ MR at 6:15 pm**

**Sr. Boys Basketball MG @ MR at 8:00 pm**

**March 5—Sr. Girls Basketball TD @ MG at 6:15 pm**

**Sr. Boys Basketball TD @ MG at 8:00 pm**

# HERTZ NORTHERN BUS RIDERS

## ON THE WAY TO SCHOOL

**Parents/caregivers are responsible for children until they board the school bus on the way to school.** Families should have an alternate plan in place in the event the school bus does not arrive at the scheduled time. Buses may be late for many reasons including road conditions or vehicle failure. In some cases, a bus may not be able to complete its run.

**Please ensure your children know and are familiar with your alternate plan.** If parents believe there is a risk of harm before their child gets on the bus (for example, severe weather), it is the responsibility of parents/caregivers to arrange for a safe way for their child to meet the school bus or seek alternate shelter.

**If the bus is late,** the student should wait 10 minutes and then return home. For up-to-date information call the Hertz Northern Bus information line at (306) 374-4777. Unless Hertz Northern Bus provides other directions, the student should return to the bus pick-up location one hour after the original pick-up time. For example, if the original pick-up time is 8:15 a.m., the adjusted pick-up time would be 9:15 a.m.

## ON THE WAY HOME

**It is the responsibility of the parent to ensure there is appropriate supervision after Hertz Northern Bus drops off the children at their regular bus drop-off location.** It is expected that parents/caregivers of kindergarten to grade two students meet the bus each day. Parents/caregivers must have appropriate supervision plans in place once the children are dropped off by the bus.

## BUS ROUTE DELAY AND CANCELLATION INFORMATION

Hertz Northern Bus provides online updates about bus route delays and cancellation on its website at <https://hertz.mybusplanner.ca>. On the Hertz Northern Bus website, click on Alerts to view information and sign up for email alerts on the Parent Portal by creating an account. Route information is also available by calling the Hertz Northern Bus information line at (306) 374-4777.

For additional information, call the Hertz Northern Bus office at (306) 374-5161.

Wheelchair transportation is automatically cancelled for the entire day when the [Environment Canada website](#) reports a temperature of minus 40 degrees Celsius or lower (with/without windchill) at 7:00 a.m.

Hertz Northern Bus school buses are automatically cancelled for the entire day when the [Environment Canada website](#) reports a temperature of minus 45 degrees Celsius or lower (with/without windchill) at 7:00 a.m.

A notice will be posted on the division website if all buses are cancelled for the day. Note that schools remain open.

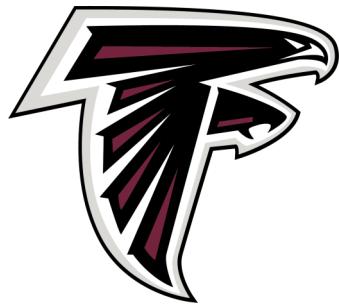
Visit <https://www.spsd.sk.ca/severe-weather> for additional information on severe weather procedures for schools and student transportation.



**Thank you for your co-operation and support in keeping students safe**

## Regular Monday - Friday Schedule

Choir (Tues/Thurs)	7:40 - 8:40
<b>Warning Bell</b>	<b>8:45</b>
Period 1	8:50 - <b>9:54</b>
Period 2	9:59 - <b>11:03</b>
Break	11:03 - 11:13
<b>Warning Bell</b>	<b>11:08</b>
Period 3	11:13 - <b>12:17</b>
Lunch	12:17 - 1:07
<b>Warning Bell</b>	<b>1:02</b>
Period 4	1:07 - <b>2:11</b>
Period 5	2:16 - <b>3:20</b>



**2025/2026**

## School Schedule

### Shortened Thursday Schedule

\*This schedule does not occur every Thursday\*

Choir	7:40 - 8:40
<b>Warning Bell</b>	<b>8:45</b>
Period 1	8:50 - <b>9:35</b>
Period 2	9:40 - <b>10:25</b>
Period 3	10:30 - <b>11:15</b>
<b>Break</b>	<b>11:15 - 11:30</b>
<b>Warning Bell</b>	<b>11:25</b>
Period 4	11:30 - <b>12:15</b>
Period 5	12:20 - <b>1:05</b>

### Semester 1

**Sept. 2, 2025 to January 23, 2026**

### Semester 2

**January 28, 2026 to June 24, 2026**

## Elf Jr. – The Musical Delivers Holiday Cheer

Marion Graham's production of Elf Jr. was a wonderful success, delighting audiences with lively performances, festive music, and colourful costumes. The cast and crew's hard work and enthusiasm shone on stage, creating a joyful experience for all who attended. The show was a proud moment for the performing arts program and a perfect way to celebrate the season.



## Marion Graham Traffic Concerns

Numerous families have connected with the school to voice their concerns regarding the crosswalk on Lenore Avenue across from Cypress Ct. They have witnessed multiple incidents in which students were nearly hit by cars when other vehicles stopped to allow pedestrians to cross the road.

As a result, Mr. Harvey has made an announcement to the student body to highlight this issue and have communicated with the City of Saskatoon about our concerns. If you happen to have other concerns about traffic around the school:

- Please let us know the details so that we can follow up on the incident, and
- Reach out to the City of Saskatoon so that it can be officially logged with them as well.

Thanks for your help in keeping our community safe.

## Falcon Wrestling Update

The Falcon Wrestling Team will host the St. Joseph High School on Thursday, January 15, 2026, for an exciting wrestling dual beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the gym.

If you have never attended a wrestling dual, it's a fast-paced and exciting format. Wrestlers from each weight class compete head-to-head, earning points for their team. The team with the most points at the end wins the dual. Both the Girls' and Boys' Teams will be in action, followed by exhibition matches after the main event.

The Falcon Wrestling Team has a full competition schedule leading up to the Final Assessment Break. Following the break, the team will shift focus to preparation for a Calgary tournament in early February, as well as key city championship events, including Quad Dual City Championships, Junior City Championships, and the 2026 City Championships.

### Upcoming Events

- **January 12** – Dual @ BJM at 4:30 pm
- **January 15** – Dual vs. STJ @ MG at 1:00 pm
- **February 5–7** – Possible Calgary Tournament
- **February 10** – Girls/Boys Quad Dual City Championships (Top 4 Girls and Top 4 Boys teams in the city qualify)
- **February 12** – Junior City Championships @ Bethlehem

Let's show our Falcon wrestlers some school spirit and support!

## Math Contests

### ***Pascal (Gr.9), Cayley (Gr.10) and Fermat (Gr.11)***

Attention all you math whizzes – or just anyone wanting a challenge in math. The math contests for students for students in grades 9-11 will take place on Wednesday, Feb.25<sup>th</sup>. Contests need to be ordered by the beginning of February.

These contests will be written at our school, and students have 60 minutes to answer 25 multiple choice questions.

To access past math contests, go to [https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past\\_contests.html](https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past_contests.html). Click the tab PCF (for Pascal Cayley Fermat) and you will have access to 10 years of past contests along with the solutions.

### ***Euclid Math Contest (Gr.12)***

This math contest is 2.5 hours long and is a mix of short-answer and full-solution questions. It takes place on Tuesday, March 31. Contests need to be ordered by the beginning of March. Past contests can also be found using the above link.

## Online School Clothing

We are excited to share the link to our newly redesigned online school clothing store! Visit [https://www.spdschoolstores.com/mmgci\\_001.htm](https://www.spdschoolstores.com/mmgci_001.htm) to explore a variety of apparel and show your Falcon Pride.

If December spending has you feeling tapped out, no worries—this online store has no planned closing date. Clothing will be available for purchase on an ongoing basis, making it easy to shop whenever it's convenient for you.

This store is open to the entire school community, so students, families, and supporters can all join in celebrating Falcon Pride!

## From our Librarian's Desk

Please take a moment to return any library books or textbooks you are finished with before the end of the semester to avoid any fines.

If you're unsure what you currently have checked out, feel free to stop by the library and we'll be happy to help you review your account.

## Home Economics Donation Request

The Home Economics Lab is seeking donations of clean, empty yogurt containers *with lids*. If you are able to help, please drop them off at **Ms. Neigum's office in Room 101**. Thank you for your support!

## SRC Upcoming Winter Events – Save the Dates!

The SRC has some exciting winter events you won't want to miss!



### Winter Wonderland Formal (Grades 9–12)

**Thursday, February 26, 2026**

**6:30 pm to 9:30 pm (Doors open at 6:00 pm)**

Get ready for a magical night of music, dancing, and memories.

**Tickets at \$10 - on sale in February in the Commons.**

### Annual Coffee House Fundraiser

**Thursday, March 19, 2026**

Enjoy an evening of live performances in support of Ronald McDonald House.

**Auditions will be held in early February—watch for details!**



Graduation portraits will take place February 2-6, 2026 with Prestige Photography by Life-touch.

**Schedule Your Portrait Session Online at <https://schedule.prestigeportraits.ca>**

**Schedule Your Photo Appointment:** Book online for your designated school dates. Simply search by your schools Postal Code, enter your schools name, and enter your name as it appears in the school's records. If your name doesn't appear, please contact Customer Service at 1-888-676-1647 for assistance.

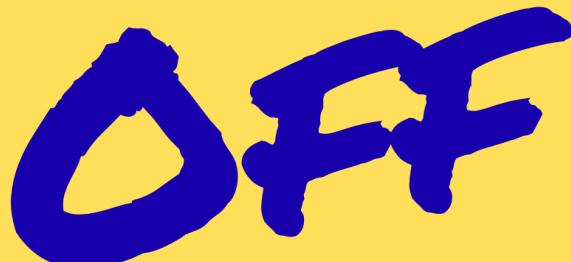
**Contemporary Poses:** Feel free to bring a prop (e.g. musical instrument or sporting equipment) Animals are not permitted due to allergies.

**Session Fee:** Prepay online for a \$40 session fee or pay at the time of your photo session (debit/credit preferred, but cash or cheque made payable to Lifetouch Canada are also accepted).

**Arrival Time:** 10 minutes before the scheduled appointment

**Location:** TBA

**The Marion Graham Drama 20/30 class  
presents**



By Don Zolodis

**Tuesday January 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**

**Tickets sold at the door**

**\$10 for adults**

**\$5 for students**

A behind-the-scenes comedy about an amateur production company's disastrous opening night.

**Venue: Marion Graham Theatre (doors open at 6:30 pm)**

## **Contact Information**

Please inform the school of any student's change of address, phone number, email or emergency contact person. A demographic form was be provided to your student on the first day of classes for you to review. Please have your student bring the form back to school so that we can update your information or contact the school by phone 306-683-7750 or email: [MarionM.GrahamSchool@spsd.sk.ca](mailto:MarionM.GrahamSchool@spsd.sk.ca)

## **Student Fees**

Student fees will be paid online again this year using "School Cash Online" or at the main office (Exact cash, Cheque/Debit or Credit). 2025-2026 school years fees were assigned in October. Your account can be created/accessed at: <https://www.schoolcashonline.com/>

If your student currently has outstanding school fees, an invoice was sent home with them on the first day of school. Please check with your student for this note so that we can get these balances cleared up. If you have questions about your invoice, please contact Cheryl Pasulyko at [pasulykoc@spsd.sk.ca](mailto:pasulykoc@spsd.sk.ca) or 306-683-7759.

## **Lockers**

Lockers will be assigned to all Grade 9 & 10 students. You are required to use the school lock for your locker. Students in Grades 11 & 12, that would like a locker, can stop by the main office to be assigned. You must provide your school issued lock, or purchase a school lock, to be issued a locker.

## **Student Consent Forms 2025-2026**

We have a new online form to be filled out by each Parent/Guardian for the upcoming 2025-2026 School Year. It has two consent forms to be filled out. One is the consent for out of school excursion and the other one is to give consent for sharing student information. Please see below the link to fill out the forms online.

<https://survey.alchemer-ca.com/s3/50369020/Student-Consent-Forms-2025-2026>

## Student Services

Our School Counsellors can assist students with school, career and personal counselling as well as post-secondary planning. Drop by, reach out or book an appointment any time to speak with your counsellor!

Student Services Secretary: Ms. Catherine Street 306-683-7756

Grades 9 & 11 Counsellor: Ms. Erin Menz 306-683-8258

Grades 10 & 12 Counsellor: Mr. Hingley 306-683-7765

We also offer: Daily Wellness: Snacks and supplies are available for all.

Need something else? Just ask!

Press Pause: Ask about our calm spaces if you need a breather during the day

## Drivers Education

Student Services handles making the Drivers Ed classes; there are 5 sections. They send

out a letter two weeks before the section will start by email to students & parents in the order of birthdays, oldest to youngest; the program takes place at Marion M. Graham during the lunch hour from 12:17-1:07 in room 108 and consists of 30 hours of theory instruction and six hours of in-car instruction.

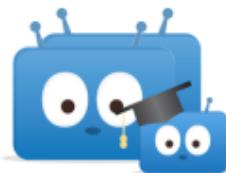
Attendance is very important. SGI allows THREE excused absences only (i.e. sickness and funerals); notice must be given to the instructor. Extended holidays are not excusable. If you are involved in school activities during certain lunch hours, be sure to discuss that with the Driver Instructor on the first day of class.

Information can be found at: [www.spsd.sk.ca/schools/rivereducation/pages/default.aspx#=](http://www.spsd.sk.ca/schools/rivereducation/pages/default.aspx#/)

If you have any questions about Drivers Education, please e-mail [streetc@spsd.sk.ca](mailto:streetc@spsd.sk.ca)

## Creating an Edsby Parent Account

You will receive an email invitation from Saskatoon Public Schools with instructions on how to create an Edsby account. Make sure the school office has your current email address on file.



- Check your email for your invite(s). Note: You will receive a separate invite for each child.
- To create an account, click the link in your email invitation.
- If this is the **first time you are registering for a parent account with Edsby**, choose "I don't have an Edsby parent account at Saskatoon Public Schools".
- You will be prompted on a second screen to enter and confirm a password. Your username (your email address) will already be entered.
- Click Create Edsby Account. You'll be logged into your Edsby Account and a "Welcome to Edsby" message will be sent to your email address.
- The information for at least one of your children will be immediately visible to you.



Register a Parent Account

Edsby account registration for parent of [REDACTED]. Please select one of the choices below. If this is not your child, please [click here](#).

[Login to your existing Saskatoon Public Schools Edsby parent account](#)

OR

[I don't have an Edsby parent account at Saskatoon Public Schools](#)

Need help?

Cancel



Register a Parent Account

Email (this will be your username)

Choose your password \*

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Verify Password

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[Create Edsby Account](#)

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- **If you have more than one child, you can link all children to the same Edsby account regardless of which Saskatoon Public School they attend.**
- Find the Edsby invitation email(s) for your additional children.
- Click the link in the email, and then choose "Login to your existing Saskatoon Public Schools Edsby parent account".
- Enter your Edsby username (your email) and password.
- Your existing Edsby account will now include both children.



Sign in to

Saskatoon Public Schools

Important, please read:

For student(s): [REDACTED]

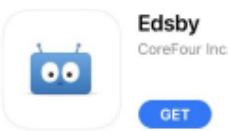
You are about to link the Edsby parent account for

with the e-mail address [REDACTED]

Are you sure you want to link these accounts?

No

[Yes, link these accounts](#)



To access Edsby in the future you can either use the Edsby mobile app or use a computer browser at [spsd.edsby.com](http://spsd.edsby.com).

## SCHOOL NURSE

Our School Nurse is **Sarah Pannell, RN, BsN**

Nurse Sarah is at Marion Graham on Monday afternoons from 12:15-3:45. The school nurse can help you with:

- o confidential one-on-one student supports with a variety of medical & health related matters
- o Referrals to other community agencies / supports
- o general first-aid if required
- o confidential pregnancy testing and supports if required

Students are also welcome to text the school nurse at 306-370-5942. Look for the tall school nurse sign and stop in to Student Services and say hello!

### **High School/College Nursing Services & Healthy Mother Healthy Baby (HMHB) Program**

**High School/College nursing services throughout Saskatoon are provided by the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) through the Healthy Mother Healthy Baby Program.**

#### **Registered Nursing Services include:**

**Pregnant Students:** The Healthy Mother Healthy Baby program can be accessed by any pregnant student enrolled in Saskatoon High School/ Collegiate or Affiliate School Setting.

**General Student Population:** Individual health-related support & counselling, and/or referrals.

**School Staff and Administration:** Support to school staff with navigating community health resources. Nurses are available to attend a "School Nurse" meet and greet (please connect with your School Nurse for arrangements).

#### **Supports offered by School Nurse:**

- Individual Health Education
- 1:1 supports and crisis intervention (harm reduction strategies, abuse resources, connections for mental health and/or addictions, etc.)
- Support to students, parents and staff with navigating health resources in the community
- As clinically indicated:
  - General first aid
  - Pregnancy testing and referrals
  - Healthy Mother Healthy Baby supports for pregnant students
  - Testing for some sexually transmitted infections

July 2024



*Healthy People, Healthy Saskatchewan*

The Saskatchewan Health Authority works in the spirit of truth and reconciliation, acknowledging Saskatchewan as the traditional territory of First Nations and Métis People.





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- Stat Holidays
- No School - Students/Teachers
- PD/Planning/Operations (K-12 No Students)
- First Day for Students
- Parent/Teacher Coferences
- Final Assessments
- Early Dismissal Days
- STA Institute