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News

1. **Transcript Requests:** Grade 12 students who are applying to a post-secondary institution will need to send the institution a school transcript that lists the subjects they are taking in 2018-2019. They will also need to request that a [transcript from the Ministry of Education](#) be sent to that institution. There is a \$20 fee. It is imperative that students check off the following in their request to ensure they aren't required to pay the fee more than once:

Where would you like the transcript sent?

- Saskatchewan Polytechnic (SIAST) (all four campuses)
- Apprenticeship and Trade
- University of Regina
- University of Saskatchewan
- University of Alberta
- Self (3 copies provided)

Note: you will be contacted by email if an address change is required

What is your situation?

- I want my transcript(s) sent as soon as possible
- I want my transcripts(s) sent at another time. Select one of the options below:
 - After November Session (Printed mid December)
 - After December Exams (Printed mid January)
 - After January Exams (Printed mid February)
 - After March Exams (Printed beginning of April)
 - After April Session (Printed end of May)
 - After May Exams (Printed mid June)
 - After June Exams (Printed mid July)
 - After Summer School (Printed beginning of August)
 - After August Exams (Printed beginning of September)

You will want to check off the ones as shown on the right. Each time you make a selection in "What is Your Situation?", you must click on the "Add to Cart" button in order to make another selection.

Note: It is a good idea to also send one to yourself (the **Self** option). **As of last year, the Ministry of Education is no longer sending out a free copy to students.**

2. [Skills Canada](#) is a great opportunity for students to demonstrate their skills and have fun. Students can also learn about the skilled trades and technology careers through hands-on activities and demonstrations. [Saskatchewan's provincial student competition](#) is scheduled for **April 2019 (dates and location to be determined)**. There are many events including Computer Animation, Auto body Repair, Carpentry, Cooking, Electrical Wiring, Job Skill Demonstration, Job Interview, Machining, Prepared Speech, Website Development, Welding and Worksite Safety. Schools are encouraged to bring students to this event to tour the completion sites and to experience "Try a Trade." Interested teachers and students can contact [Jeff Boulton](#), 306-694-1200.
3. **A.E. Peacock Collegiate** is hosting a post-secondary afternoon on **Thursday, November 15th**, from 1:00 to 3:15 pm. Presenters from the U of Regina, U of Saskatchewan, Sask Polytechnic, and others will be presenting to students about their campuses and programs. A session for parents and students will be held that evening at **6:30 pm, in the Peacock Library**. This is a great opportunity to get familiar with different post-secondary institutions in a smaller setting. More information will be sent to schools as the event draws closer.
4. **Upcoming Career Fairs** include:
 - [See Your Future](#)
 - Location: Queensbury Convention Centre – Evraz Place in Regina
 - Date: **Tuesday, November 6th, 9:45 am - 3:00 pm**
 - Contact: [SYF](#), 306.260.1314

5. **[Post-Secondary Contact Information](#)**: Looking for contact information for certain colleges and universities? [Here is a guide](#) to help you find what you are looking for with phone numbers and email addresses.
6. **[The House of Commons Page Program](#)** is for students who are interested in parliamentary debate and Canadian politics. Students are hired as Pages and work part-time during their first year of study at one of the universities in the National Capital Region. The [application](#) deadline is **December 3rd**.
7. **[SHAD Valley](#)** is a summer enrichment program focused on the sciences, engineering, technology and entrepreneurship. This program challenges and inspires grade 10, 11 and 12 students. Participants spend the month of July living at the U of S, enjoying team-building exercises, recreational activities and exploring the local attractions. The in-take **deadline date is November 19th**. The 2019 program will run from **June 30th to July 26th**. [Apply Now](#)
8. **[Career Safety Education](#)** (CSE) is a fantastic opportunity if you are currently on your way to building your resume and wanting to look like a star candidate for your future employers. Now you can receive safety training **for FREE!** Whether this training is to help you keep first-day awkwardness at bay or further develop your career, you are in the right place. Safety training looks great on resumes and post-secondary applications, as well as [scholarship applications!](#) The [CES Program](#) is available to all students. For more information, please contact [Merissa](#) or call 306-757-3197 or toll free 1-855-280-7115
9. **[Women in Technology Workshop: Civil Engineering Technology](#)** will be taking place at the Sask Polytech campus, in Moose Jaw, on **November 24th**. This hands on 1 day workshop is designed for women 15 years of age and up who are interested in exploring careers in Water Resources or Civil Engineering Technology. Cost is \$20 (lunch is provided). Please [register](#) for this event by **November 9th**. For more information, please contact [Michelle Lanoie](#) at 306-691-8446.

Post- Secondary Information

[SASKATCHEWAN CAREER COLLEGES](#)

- [Career Colleges](#), also known as private vocational schools, offer over 160 vocational training programs in Saskatchewan to prepare students for employment in a specific occupation such as business, health services, fashion, esthetics, hairstyling, and more. These schools are privately owned and operated but must be registered with the Ministry of Advanced Education and have approval of the programs they offer.

[UNIVERSITY OF REGINA:](#)

- Applications for the [U of R residences](#) are now open. Those students taking University of Saskatchewan, Saskatchewan Polytechnic, or Saskatchewan Indian of Technologies programs are welcome to stay in residence but must apply using [this process](#).
- [Admission on the Spot](#) will be held on **December 6th**, in [Moose Jaw](#), in the **Vanier Collegiate library** from 3:30 pm to 7:30 pm, and on **December 7th** in [Regina](#), 1:30 pm – 6:30 p.m., at **Campion College**. Students will be able to apply and receive admissions on this day if they come with a transcript and pay the reduced application fee of \$70. Students can apply to all faculties but may only be offered admission into the Faculties of Arts, Business, Engineering, Education, Fine Arts, Kinesiology and Health Studies, Media and Art Performance, Science and Social Work. Contact [Recruitment](#), 1.800.644.4756

- [What is Business?](#) is taking place on **Friday, December 7th**, from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. Grade 11 and 12 students are given a taste of what it is like to be a business student at the U of R. Students will engage in mini-lectures in the different areas of study, by professors. Student groups and alumni are also on hand to talk about their experience in the Faculty and how new students can get involved. Events include: Presentations, guest speakers, workshops, free lunch. Please [register for this event](#) by **Monday, December 3rd**.
- [2018 Kinesiology and Health Studies Day](#) is taking place on **Friday, December 7th**. Grade 11 and 12 students are invited to come explore the areas of Kinesiology and Health Studies. Students will hear from faculty members, learn about degree programs, certifications and community connections, explore research labs and engage in unique sporting experiences. Space is limited to 55 participants to [please register now](#). Note: a mandatory permission form must be signed by parents in order to attend. Registration deadline is **Thursday, November 29th**.

GREAT PLAINS COLLEGE:

- [Open Houses](#) are being offered at all 3 campuses. [Swift Current's Spend-a-day](#) will be on **November 22nd**, [Biggar's](#) will be on **November 8th**. And [Kindersley's](#) will be on **November 3rd**. Programs highlighted include Business, Electrician, Power Engineering, Practical Nursing, Nursing, Social Work, and Welding. Contact [Kirby Leisle](#), 306.778-5475 or email recruitment@greatplainscollege.ca if you have any questions.

UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN:

- The [Residence](#) application portal will open in the first week of November.
- There is an **early admission deadline of December 1** for the competitive ranking-based colleges of Engineering, Kinesiology and Edwards School of Business. Eligible applicants must have a specific admission average (90%+ for kinesiology, 83% for business, 80% for education, 85% for engineering). Students who apply with these averages will be offered conditional admission and will not need to wait for the competitive ranking to take place in February. The final application deadline for these colleges is still **February 15**. Remaining applicants will be ranked competitively and spaces will be offered from the top down according to admission average.
- Consideration for the four-year, direct-entry [Bachelor of Education](#) is now based solely on admission average. Applicants can be considered for early admission if they apply by **December 1** and have an admission average of 75% or higher. The final application deadline is **February 15** and the expected target average for competitive ranking-based admission is 70%. Special consideration is available to applicants for whom extenuating or special circumstances might have affected admissibility. Admission to the Bachelor of Education program is available at any of U of Sask's [off-campus sites](#) for students wishing to complete the first year of their program outside of Saskatoon.
- Applicants are now required to upload [documents](#) to their [online application file](#). Previously, documents were allowed to be emailed. Documents received by mail will be uploaded by our staff into the applicant's record. All final documents (transcripts, English Language Proficiency) must be sent through mail by the appropriate authority such as the provincial Ministry of Education.
- [What is Engineering?](#) is a free event for prospective engineering students to learn more about what an engineering career looks like through hands-on activities, tours of labs and facilities and discussions with current students in various engineering programs. The event takes place on **Friday, November 16** from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. [Registration](#) is open now and will close **Wednesday, November 14**. For more information email esc@usask.ca or call 306-966-5274.
- The [Best and Brightest Scholarships](#) require students to apply for admission by **December 1**. The application for Best and Brightest Entrance Scholarships is due **December 15**.

SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC:

- [INSIGHT](#) will be taking place on **Thursday, November 15th** from 9:00 am to noon at all four campuses. These half day events will provide insight on specific programs, student life, campus atmosphere, admission requirements, and application process. Please email [student recruitment](#), if you have any questions.
- [New Programs](#) are available through Sask Polytechnic. Make sure to check out the prerequisites for each program you apply for as they can change based on industry needs and standards.
- [The FAQ](#) section of the Sask Polytech website is a good place to answer many questions you may have about programs and admissions.
- The [Tuition and Fees](#) section of the Sask Polytechnic website breaks down what you will be paying for when it comes to attending their programs and campuses.
- [Dual Credit](#): High school students thinking of becoming a Polytechnic student may want to consider taking a dual credit. Dual credits allow students to earn a high school credit and Polytechnic credit at the same time.
- Grade 12 students wanting to attend one of Saskatchewan Polytechnic's **First Qualified-First Admitted Programs** (most of their programs), should **apply as soon as possible**. As long as high school students are enrolled in the grade level that will qualify them for admission, they can apply. The priority consideration date for FQFA programs is **February 15th**.
- **Undecided?** Do you think you might like to attend the Poly? Check out their [Program Selector](#). This inventory will list the programs that match your interests, values, aptitudes and skills.
- [Women In Technology Workshop](#) will be hosting a Computer Networking Technician/Telecommunications Networking Technician day on **December 1st**, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, at the Regina Campus. During the workshop, you will learn to disassemble/reassemble a computer and create user accounts and password policies. As well, you will learn the basics of terminating cables, solder, and the basics of AC electricity. The cost is \$20. For more information, please contact [Michelle Lanoie](#) at 306-775-7503

MEDICINE HAT COLLEGE:

- The [ABC's of MHC](#) will be taking place on **Thursday, November 8th**, at 5:30 pm. This presentation will consist of the letter **A: Application and Admission**. During this session you will learn about the criteria you need to be admitted, and learn more about the admission process. There will be many exhibits from programs throughout the college, in attendance, for you to interact with. Prospective students will also be able to apply that night via the paper application form at the Registration Desk for a discounted application fee to one program for ONLY \$20. Any additional applications will be \$60.
- Part B: Budgeting & Basics will be taking place on Thursday, **March 7th**, at 5:30 pm, and part C: Courses and Campus Life will take place on Thursday, **May 2nd**, at 5:30 pm.
- [Student for a Day 2018](#) will be taking place from **November 19th to 23rd**. Please call 1-403-529-3819 for more information

Upcoming Events

Nov. 6	See Your Future Education and Career Fair		Evraz Place, Regina
	This post-secondary fair has interactive display booths and various sessions. Students can explore over 135 exhibitors from Canada, the USA, & overseas. This year, students will be required to collect 10 passport stamps by asking exhibitors questions about possible career paths.		
Nov. 6	RCMP Career Presentation	6:00 pm	RCMP Heritage Centre, Regina
	This is the first step involved in applying to the RCMP. They will review recruitment processes and procedures.		

Nov. 15-17	Experience Briercrest		Caronport
Students are given the opportunity to experience campus life, join several classes, attend chapels, tour the campus and learn all about their programs of study.			
Nov. 15	Sask Polytech INSIGHT		All Campuses
INSIGHT provides an opportunity for prospective students to experience a Sask Polytech program first hand. These half day events will provide insight on specific programs, student life, campus atmosphere, admission requirements, and application process. Please email student recruitment			
Nov. 16	What is Engineering?	9:00 am to 3:30 pm	University of Saskatchewan
This is a free event for prospective engineering students to learn more about what an engineering career looks like through hands-on activities, tours of labs and facilities and discussions with current students in various engineering programs. Registration is open and will close Wednesday, November 14 . For more information email esc@usask.ca or call 306-966-5274.			
Nov. 19	SHAD Valley Intake Deadline		
Shad Valley is a summer program which focuses on leadership, entrepreneurship, innovation, science, and technology. It is for outstanding senior high school students.			
Nov. 22	Great Plains' Spend-a-day		Swift Current
Students are able to present students and instructors and get an idea what their programs are like. Highlighted programs include Business, Electrician, Office Administration, Power Engineering, Practical Nursing, Nursing and Welding.			
Dec. 1	U of S Early Admission Deadline		University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon
This is the deadline to apply to be eligible for the Best and Brightest Scholarships . Also, students who apply by Dec. 1 with an average over a specific percent can receive automatic conditional acceptance in the competitive ranking-based colleges of Engineering (85%), Kinesiology (90%) and Edwards School of Business (83%).			
Dec. 7	What Is Business Administration?	9:30 a.m.	U of R, Regina
Grade 11 & 12 students will learn about the business programs and attend workshops/mini-lectures provided by instructors. Bonuses include a free pizza lunch and a chance to win a \$500 bursary. Contact Business Administration .			
Dec. 7	2018 Kinesiology and Health Studies Day	9:30 a.m.	U of R, Regina
Grade 11 & 12 students are invited to come spend the day learning about degree programs, certification and community connections, and explore research labs and engage in unique sporting experiences. Please Register .			
Dec. 8	RCMP Career Presentation	9:00 am	RCMP Heritage Centre, Regina
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Scholarship Spotlight

Are you a Saskatchewan student planning to attend a Saskatchewan post-secondary institution?

If yes, congratulations! You are a scholarship winner. The [Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarship](#) awards all Saskatchewan grade 12 graduates a scholarship of \$500 per year. Students may receive this scholarship up to a lifetime maximum of \$2,000. This scholarship is automatically applied to their tuition.

[Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship Industry \\$1000 scholarships](#) are rewarded each year to over 120 students who complete the Youth Apprenticeship passport. Each school nominates a potential candidate and winners are announced in June. Many Prairie South students have won this scholarship. Check with your school administrator or guidance counsellor for information on how you can earn 300 hours towards an apprenticeship trade along with the chance to win a \$1000 scholarship.

[Our Way – Employment and Social Development Canada](#) can help with financial assistance of scholarships and grants; saving, planning and paying for your education is within reach. Included are links to Colleges and Universities, post-secondary program search, repayments assistance estimator, career tool, and information on studying abroad

Don't forget that the [Scholarship and Loans](#) section of the PSSD website has some documents to assist you in your scholarship search such as scholarship cover letter examples, a downloadable organizer, and financial/scholarship information including:

- [Post-Secondary Finances](#)
- [Scholarship Search Engines](#)
- [Post-Secondary Institution Scholarship Link](#)

Due Date	Scholarship	Amount	Criteria
Nov. 4	The National and Arbor Scholarship Program	10 X \$7,500 (\$1,500 for the 2 nd , 3 rd , & 4 th years)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Successful students will demonstrate academic performance, creative thought, and exceptional achievement. ➤ Must submit a reference letter and transcript.
Nov. 16	TD Scholarships for Community Leadership	20 X up to \$70,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Must demonstrate dedication in solving a community problem or in making it a better place. ➤ Rewards students who have shown leadership in the areas of local employment programs, environmental cleanup, support group creation, and family services.
Nov. 18	Vimy Pilgrimage Award	20 X paid trip to Belgium and France	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ For students (14–17 years old) who have demonstrated exceptional service, positive contributions, notable deeds, bravery or leadership within their schools, communities, province or country. ➤ Winners will learn about Canada's tremendous First World War effort.

Dec. 1	MacRae Memorial Fund Scholarship	\$1000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Have a written diagnosis of a learning disability ➤ Candidates must be a Canadian citizen and resident of Saskatchewan ➤ Be accepted to a post-secondary program ➤ Complete application form and submit a one page explanation their learning disability, how they have compensated, and hope for the future. ➤ 3 letters of reference (one teacher, two other) ➤ Proof of admission to the post-secondary institution they have chosen
Dec. 8	Job-Applications	\$1,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ For working parents. ➤ Must write an essay about their experience as a parent working their way through pursuing a higher education.
Dec. 15	Burger King	Awards range from 1,000 to \$50,000.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Must have a min. average of 80%. ➤ Consideration will be given to each applicant's academic record (50%) and participation in school and community activities (50%).
Dec. 31	Lives That Make a Difference	2 X \$3000 & 2 X \$2,000 (\$1,000 for classrooms)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Must write an essay based on someone you feel as made the biggest impact on Canadian society. ➤ Students in grades 5- 12 can apply.
Feb. 1	Hal Rogers Endowment Fund	50 X \$1000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Must be a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant. ➤ Must be a student in the process of graduating from high school or currently studying or registered at a post-secondary institution. ➤ Must complete the current application form and submit it to the Kinsmen, Kinette or Kin Club closest to their permanent residence by February 1. Bursary winners are notified before June 30 by their sponsoring club. ➤ Will be evaluated on their community and school involvement, knowledge of Kin Canada and financial need
April 30 (submissions will be accepted during the month of April)	Paddy O'Rourke Poetry Scholarship	\$1000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Must be accepted into a post-secondary program with one class in the literary arts (eg. Creative Writing) ➤ Letter indicating reason why you should receive the award and accomplishments in writing through high school. ➤ Sampling of 5 to 10 pages of your poetry