

Comp Newsletter

Quick Points

Slow down and be careful driving in the school area

Use Students Achieve to stay current about your child's progress

Please contact the school if you require a username and password to access your child's account in Students Achieve

Upcoming events:

**Interim Report card-
March 3**

**Parent Teacher
Interviews-
March 17 - 5:30-8:30**

**No School:
Feb 15 – Family Day**

**March 8-12 – Spring
Break**

**March 25/26 –
Teacher Convention**

Grande Prairie Composite High School 780-532-7721
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School Website www.gppsd.ab.ca/school/gpcomposite

Moving into Semester Two

Congratulations to those students who successfully completed their 1st semester courses.

An interim progress report will be handed out to students on March 3 during quarter three.

The next **parent teacher** interviews are March 17th from 5:30 – 8:30 pm

High School Redesign Project

In September we began our participation in the High School Flexibility Enhancement Project. We met with parents, students and teachers through a series of meetings to gather data that would serve to guide our efforts to develop initiatives to address stakeholder needs and improve the opportunity for student success at Grande Prairie Composite High School.

The following needs were identified during the stakeholder meetings:

- Individual Instruction
- Flexible time built within the school day
- Flexibility for completing work
- Differentiated Instruction
- Extra help for students
- Extra time for students

- Relationship building
- Choice
- Ability to move
- Length of lunch
- Length of class
- Fast Friday
- School Atmosphere

Flex Block

We have adjusted our timetable to create a 75 minute Flex block. During this Flex block, students will have opportunity to receive academic support and enrichment, participate in club and team activities, and have a lunch break.

Department Initiatives

Each department is currently developing various opportunities for academic support and enrichment available to students during Flex block in each subject area. These initiatives will be communicated to students, posted throughout the school, and posted on the school website.

Student Advisory Program

Some of our students will be participating in an advisory program. Students will work with a Teacher Advisor for academic guidance, personal support, and everyday administrative details.

The flex initiatives were presented at the January Parent School Council. The Council expressed approval and appreciation for the initiatives and for being included in the process. Our high school redesign committee will continue to engage stakeholders in the improvement process as we move forward. We would love to hear from you. Send your thoughts to Dawna Baird at dawna.baird@gppsd.ab.ca.

New Timetable for Semester 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Block 1 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Block 1 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Block 1 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Block 1 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Block 1 8:30 a.m. – 9:25 a.m.
Block 2 9:55 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.	Block 2 9:55 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.	Block 2 9:55 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.	Block 2 9:55 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.	Block 2 9:30 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.
Flex Block 11:10 a.m. – 12:25 p.m.	Flex Block 11:10 a.m. – 12:25 p.m.	Flex Block 11:10 a.m. – 12:25 p.m.	Flex Block 11:10 a.m. – 12:25 p.m.	Block 3 10:35 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Block 3 12:25 p.m. – 1:40 p.m.	Block 3 12:25 p.m. – 1:40 p.m.	Block 3 12:25 p.m. – 1:40 p.m.	Block 3 12:25 p.m. – 1:40 p.m.	Block 4 11:35 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Block 4 1:50 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.	Block 4 1:50 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.	Block 4 1:50 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.	Block 4 1:50 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.	

Literacy Across the Curriculum

Teachers continue to enhance their teaching practice to improve our students' literacy in all content areas. All of our teachers are teachers of literacy.

Bullying & Cyber-Bullying

Please be aware that Cyber-bullying through such media as texting and Facebook will not be tolerated at the Comp. Past incidents of cyber-bullying and bullying have been referred to the RCMP. Under the Grande Prairie bullying bylaw, charges may be laid and fines issued.

*Comp Core Values:
Individual Worth, Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Altruism, Trust*