

MEDIA RELEASE

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The School Council from [École Leduc Junior High School](#) has received an Innovation Grant from the [2014/15 Black Gold Regional Schools Innovation Fund](#) in order to research, prepare and present a series of **Parent Connection Workshops**.

Designed by parents, for parents, the goal of these free workshops is to engage the parent community in a way that identifies and meets their needs, while supporting the teaching/learning environment of the school.

Each workshop allows participants to attend up to three breakout sessions. Presented by subject experts, the sessions will be interactive to encourage parents to make the connections they need to maximize the success of their children.

The first workshop, **“The Road to High School & Beyond”** will take place Thursday, February 26th, 2015 from 7 to 9 pm at École Leduc Junior High School (4412 – 48 Street, Leduc). Hosted by Student Ambassadors from Leduc Composite High School, **“The Road to High School & Beyond”** is targeted towards parents with children currently in Grade 7, 8 or 9 who will be attending [Leduc Composite High School](#) (LCHS) in the future. The workshop features these breakout session choices:

- **My Blueprint** Imagine if your child had a plan ... for high school... for post-secondary... for a career. Learn about the My Blueprint program used by junior high and high school students to explore their potential and begin mapping their road to the future.
- **The High School Balancing Act** High school can be about a lot more than just academics. Options, extra-curricular programs, sports teams, travel clubs, volunteerism, Work Experience, after school jobs It all takes time. Too little can be just as risky as too much. Find out how to help your child find the perfect balance.
- **THE LCHS High School Registration Process** Grade 9 students pre-register for the Leduc Composite High School in the spring of Grade 9. Students make program & course selections that affect their entire high school career and beyond. Parents can and should play a major role in helping children plan their high school career. Get informed so you can be involved in helping make the right choices.
- **Summer School? Why & How** Grade 9 students can earn high school credits prior to the beginning of Grade 10, Why would they want to? What courses can they take? When, where and how does Summer School registration work? Come and find out how to give your child a leg up on high school.
- **What Does It Take to Graduate?** What does it take to earn a high school diploma these days? What are the differences between “Dash One, Dash Two and Dash Three” courses and what are the implications for your child?
- **Post-Secondary Options & Scholarships in Alberta** So, once your child has earned their high school diploma what comes next? There are many post-secondary options in Alberta: Apprenticeship Programs, Trade Schools, Colleges, Universities and more. Should they start looking at post-secondary options in Grade 10 or 11 or 12? What is the process? Are there scholarships available? How do they qualify for scholarships? Get the knowledge you need to help your child have every advantage they can in their post-secondary career.

All parents and guardians of current junior high students who will be attending Leduc Composite High School are invited to attend. Junior High students may attend as long as they are accompanied by a parent or guardian. Participants must pre-register. Registration is available online through the Parent Connections website (www.leducparentconnect.com), by email to eljhsparentconnect@gmail.com or by calling 780-914-5207.

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