



# VISTA VIRTUAL SCHOOL

## Newsletter #6

February, 2018

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### School Website

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### School Hours

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

### Teacher Hours Vary

8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Or

9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

### School Division

### Website

www.phrd.ab.ca



Dear Parents/Guardians and Students:

Welcome to semester two! This semester extends from February 1st to June 30th, 2018. We encourage you to complete all semester two coursework within these time frames.

As of January 31st, all semester one courses should be complete, assignments submitted, and exams written. Junior high students should be halfway through their courses by this point of the school year. If you are struggling with your coursework, or if you have completed your semester one courses and have not requested your semester two courses yet, please contact academic counsellors, Andrea Robin or Aletta Seward, for assistance.

Vista Virtual School will host our spring Student Parent Teacher Interviews in March in both Calgary and Edmonton. Please register early so you can ensure you get the time slot(s) you prefer by using our online booking site <https://vista.schoolappointments.com> or call us at 1-855-974-5333 Extension 5302 and we can schedule the interview(s) for you.

- March 7 at the Hotel Blackfoot, Heritage Room, 5940 Blackfoot Trail SE Calgary.
- March 15 at the Fantasyland Hotel, Room 7, 17700 87 Avenue, Edmonton.

It is an expectation that all full-time students attend our Student Parent Teacher Interviews. We look forward to meeting with our students and their families. Please note that the Calgary campus will be closed on March 7th and 15th.

All Vista Virtual School teachers are required to attend an annual teachers' convention. All Vista Virtual School teachers will attend either the North Central Teachers' Convention on February 8th and 9th or the Calgary City Teachers' Convention on February 15th and 16th. Internal coverage has been arranged and, although this is an extremely busy time of year, Edmonton/Barrhead teachers will cover for Calgary teachers and vice versa. Please be patient as responses will take longer when some of our staff are away during one of these conference dates.

As spring nears, we are organizing and planning more activities in which we hope you and your family will participate. If you have ideas for activities, please contact Rick Northrop at [vvactivities@phrd.ab.ca](mailto:vvactivities@phrd.ab.ca). Keep in mind that activities should be related to the curriculum. Please see page two of this newsletter for our upcoming activities in 2018.

As always, we welcome your comments. If you have any questions or concerns, please phone us toll-free at 1-855-974-5333.

Sincerely,

Mike Loitz, Principal

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## How Do I Phone Staff at Vista Virtual School?

Each staff member has a direct extension. Phone our toll-free number and wait for the automated voice prompt. Then enter 1, followed by the extension number. Extension numbers are located in the staff directory on the Vista Virtual School website: <http://www.vvschool.ca/directory-teacher-and-support>

## VVS on the Road

Vista Virtual School staff representatives travel each month to Medicine Hat, Red Deer and Lethbridge to provide help to students and families. To find out where we will be and other information contact [vvsupport@phrd.ab.ca](mailto:vvsupport@phrd.ab.ca) or at 1-855-974-5333 Extension 5317.

## VVS Calendar of Important Dates

- February 8 - 9 - North Central Teachers' Convention. Responses may take longer when some of our staff are away.
- February 15 - 16 - Calgary City Teachers' Convention. Responses may take longer when some of our staff are away.
- February 22 - We visit Theatre Calgary to watch a performance of Shakespeare's Twelfth Night.
- February 27 - Hockey Hooky. We head to Rogers Place in Edmonton to watch an Oil Kings game.
- March 7 – Student Parent Teacher Interviews - Calgary at the Hotel Blackfoot.
- March 15 – Student Parent Teacher Interviews - Edmonton at the Fantasyland Hotel at West Edmonton Mall.



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## Vista Virtual School Calendar - February 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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5	6	7	8) North Central Teachers' Convention Medicine Hat Visit	9) North Central Teachers' Convention
12	13	14	15) Calgary City Teachers' Convention	16) Calgary City Teachers' Convention
19) Family Day - School Closed	20	21	22) Twelfth Night at Theatre Calgary Red Deer Visit	23
26	27) Hockey Hooky in Edmonton	28		