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NEWS RELEASE

Canadian Space Agency astronaut to visit Sisler High School

One of Canada's newest astronauts will share the inspirational story of his path from farm boy to future rocket man, in a presentation to a group of science and technology students at Sisler High School on Thursday, February 27.

Jeremy Hansen, 38, is the former CF-18 fighter pilot the Canadian Space Agency chose in 2009 as one of two members of the third Canadian Astronaut selection. Hansen is preparing to follow in the footsteps of fellow Canadian astronauts such as Chris Hadfield, the recently retired International Space Station Commander who captivated the world last year with his social media photos and reports from space.

Sisler High School will also be making the presentation available to Grade 7 to 12 students in northern Manitoba through a live video link to participating schools in the Frontier School Division, including West Lynn Heights School in Lynn Lake. Students from Andrew Mynarski V.C. Junior High School, Prairie Rose School and Isaac Newton School in the Winnipeg School Division will also view the presentation via the live video link.

Members of the media are invited to attend the presentation.

When: Thursday, February 27 at 10 a.m.

Where: Sisler High School (in the Library), 1360 Redwood Ave.

"We are beyond excited to have Jeremy Hansen visit our school. Not only will his story be fascinating and entertaining to our science and technology students, he also serves as a great example of a young Canadian who is living his dream and proving anything is possible," says Jamie Leduc, Department Head of Business and Information Technology at Sisler High School. "It's great that technology also allows us to share the presentation with students in northern Manitoba."

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