



Isaac Brock School

Newsletter

September 2023

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Principal: C. Goring

Vice-Principal: A. Pelletier

Message from Administration

Isaac Brock's students, staff and families share common values and beliefs and we all work hard to provide students with quality educational programming to meet the diverse needs of all students. We are committed to offer every opportunity to engage our students in meaningful learning experiences. We strive to provide a learning environment that fosters the growth of each student's potential and equitable opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills, and values necessary for meaningful participation in a global and diverse society. Student, parent, staff and community voice is central to our beliefs and the school has an active parent and student council.

Our "One School Vision" is rooted in relationships – with one's self, each other, the community and the natural world. As a community, we are united in creating a better future for all of our students and we are galvanized in a common cause, to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation. Building student, staff, and community capacity for intercultural understanding, empathy, and mutual respect is paramount.

Our goal is to create common learning experiences through an environmental inquiry lens that will shift our Communities' understanding of each other from a basic cultural awareness to a deeper cultural proficiency and appreciation. Using the teachings of the Grandmother Turtle and the 13 Moons she carries, classes have opportunities to participate in cultural programming with an emphasis on getting on the land to participate in environmental inquiry (an Indigenous way of learning). This will also support our vision of learning through play for our early years' students to explore their natural curiosity and increase our middle years/junior high Students' sense of belonging.

At Isaac Brock School, we believe that rich learning experiences will enhance and create a time and place for deep conversations and reflection that will propel students to develop into independent student learners. These beliefs reflect the 4 C's of 21st Century Learners (critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, communication). We offer a robust and rigorous academic curriculum that is rooted in our principles of learning, inclusion, assessment, engagement, collaboration and understating.

Teachers infuse education for sustainable development that involves incorporating key themes of poverty alleviation, human rights, health and environmental protection, and climate change. The school offers students a band program, arts program, outdoor education program and practical arts program. The school has an ever evolving STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Arts and Mathematics) Centre to foster the four Cs along with an abundance of technology to support learning.

Extracurricular activities are an integral part of our school life, fostering a strong sense of student belonging and positive student to student and teacher to student relationships. Relationships are at the foundation of our school experience and we acknowledge that that school has a role to play in supporting a varied experience that supports the developmental needs of adolescents. The school has a volunteer program, Sports Teams including volleyball, basketball, badminton, softball and track and field. There are opportunities for students to perform in school and divisional performances as well.

Lastly, we would like to send a warm welcome to our new staff and students of the 2023-24 school year. We look forward to an amazing and successful year of learning.

-Mr. C. Goring

2023 – 2024 ISAAC BROCK STAFF

ROOM	POSITION	NAME
Office	Principal	Goring, Chris
Office	Vice-Principal	Pelletier, Amber
25	Grade 7/8/9	Aguiar, Vera
31	Grade 6/7	Bacon, Sarah
27	Resource	Barto, Erica
29	Resource	Benot, Dan
26	Grade 4/5/6/7 Ojibwe	Bernier, Alma
5	Grade 1/2/3 Cree	Braun, Evannah
10	Nursery/Kindergarten	Breton, Yolanda
12	Grade 3/4	Bryant, Susan
21	Music/Band	Chase, Nedra
GYM	K to 9 (0.50)	Coates, Chloe
15	Grade 1/2/3 Ojibwe	Countryman, Kathryn
1	Grade 4/5	Deane, Colin
16	Grade 1/2	DeStefano, Linda
19	Grade 1/2/3 Ojibwe	Elcock, Destiny
7	Grade 1/2/3 Cree	Evans, Angel
34	Grade 4/5/6/7 Cree	George, Lorraine
23	Grade 7/8/9	Kawalec, Marta
17	Grade 1/2	Kinasevych, Melissa
24	Grades 7/8/9	Kusyk, Shona
18	Grade 2/3	Neapew, Amanda
6	Autism	Roy, Sarah
28	Guidance	Sacco, Ashley
13	Grade 1/2/3 Ojibwe	Samaniego, Denisse
TBD	Nature Based Learning	Sawtschuk, Sam
3	Grade 4/5/6 Ojibwe	Schalla, Marika
32	Grade 6/7	Spitula, Pam
Parent	Resource	Stewart, Buffie
GYM	K to 9	Warelis, Shannon
2	Grade 4/5	Zdan, Richard
ROOM A	Psychology (Autism)	Conyers, Carole
ROOM A	Reading	Thiessen, Jaymi

ROOM A	POSITION	NAME
	Social Worker	Cheshire, Liisa
ROOM	POSITION	NAME
6	EA Autism	Adjuya, Bishop
6	EA Autism	Ashaka, Uyoyo
6	EA Autism	Byron, Rhonda
	EA	Campbell, Cheryl
6	EA Autism	Caraan, Ailene
	EA	Dacillo, Ciara
	EA	Fast, Rennie
6	EA Autism	Heber, Mark
	EA	Herrera, Florizel
	EA	Lee, Conrad
	EA	Pascal, Shannon
	EA	Pinkus, Kim
	EA	Smith, Leslie
	EA	Taronno, Gena
	Head Custodian	Brown, Tom
	Assistant Custodian	Leonardo, Revorick
	Head Night Custodian	Loro, Tomas
	Night Custodian	Mohammed, Ahmed
Office	Head Clerk	Franz, Lisa
Office	Student Records	Cullen, Jenna



School Entry / Patrols / Supervision / School Exit

School officially begins at 9:00 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. Attendance is taken at 9:00 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. Your child will not be marked late unless they arrive after 9:00 a.m. or 12:45 p.m.
Late students MUST sign-in at the office.

Elementary Students

- **Adult supervision begins on the playground at 8:45 a.m.**
 - **Elementary students enter the building at 8:50 a.m.**
- A.M.** - Patrols are at their posts at 8:40 a.m. If your children arrive prior to 8:45 a.m. they will be crossing without patrols and they will be unsupervised on the playground.
P.M. - In the afternoon, patrols are at their post at 12:30 p.m. and playground supervisors are on duty at 12:30 p.m. School entry is 12:40 p.m. and school starts at 12:45 p.m.

Junior High Students

Entry times are 8:50 a.m. and 12:40 p.m.

Thank you for helping us by sending your children to school at the appropriate times.

Students must leave the school and school grounds promptly at 3:30. Students should go straight home after school and cross at the intersections where there are crossing guards or patrols to ensure their safety.

School Hours and Bell Schedule

Early Years Program

(Nursery & Kindergarten - 2 1/2 hour program per day)

9:00 - 11:30 AM or 1:00 - 3:30 PM

Elementary (Grades 1- 6)

8:50	Students may enter school
9:00	Opening exercises
9:00 - 9:30	Period 1
9:30 - 10:00	Period 2
10:00 - 10:30	Period 3
10:30 - 10:45	Recess
10:45 - 11:15	Period 4
11:15 - 11:45	Period 5
11:45 - 12:45	LUNCH
12:40	Students may enter school
12:45 - 1:15	Period 6
1:15 - 1:45	Period 7
1:45 - 2:15	Period 8
2:15 - 2:30	Recess
2:30 - 3:00	Period 9
3:00 - 3:30	Period 10

Junior/Senior High

(Grades 7, 8, 9 and Room 31/32)

8:50	Students may enter school
9:00	Opening exercises
9:00 - 9:30	Period 1
9:30 - 10:00	Period 2
10:00 - 10:45	Period 3
10:45 - 11:15	Period 4
11:15 - 11:45	Period 5
11:45 - 12:40	LUNCH
12:40	Students may enter school
12:45 - 1:15	Period 6
1:15 - 1:45	Period 7
1:45 - 2:30	Period 8
2:30 - 3:00	Period 9
3:00 - 3:30	Period 10

Please refer to the class line-up map in order to find where your child is to line up before school, after lunch and after recess.

DESIGNATED ENTRY/EXIT POINTS SEPTEMBER 2023

Morning and Lunch Line up Order

BARRATT AVENUE

BARRATT STREET ENTRY/EXIT:

LEFT/EAST

Rooms: 23, 24, 25 - Beside the ramp

Room 23
Room 24
Room 25

BARRATT STREET ENTRY/EXIT:

RIGHT/WEST

9:00 & 1:00:
Room 10 (N/K) will line up at
the front doors

Room 26
Room 12
Room 13
Room 19
Room 18
Room 17
Room 16
Room 15
Room 3
Room 2
Room 1

Room 31
Room 32

**CLIFTON STREET EXIT/
WEST:**

Rooms 5, 7, 34 line up on
hard top beside the field

Room 5
Room 7
Room 34

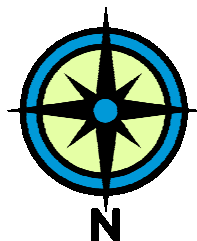
**ISAAC BROCK
SCHOOL**

**SPRUCE STREET
EXIT/WEST:**

line up on hard top

CLIFTON STREET

SPRUCE STREET



VALOUR COMMUNITY CENTRE

School Safety

Throughout the school year, we practice our emergency response plans. We will have 10 fire drills (one each month), 3 hold and secure practice drills, 3 lockdown practice drills and 1 evacuation drill. Being prepared for an emergency and knowing how to respond appropriately and calmly helps to reassure students that they will be safe.



Fire Drills involve students lining up, walking calmly outside the school and standing with their assigned group. All students and staff will remain outside until school attendance has been taken and an “all clear” signal has been given. One fire drill practice will be held monthly.

In an **evacuation** students will exit the building, (as in a fire drill) school attendance will be taken and then we will proceed to the Valour Community Centre.

In a **lockdown** our goal is safety, care, custody and accountability of children. We will not be able to answer incoming phone calls or allow anyone into the building. Students will be kept quiet, inside classrooms, away from the doors and windows. All students/staff will remain in lockdown mode until an “all clear” signal is given.

During a **hold and secure** all exterior doors will be locked and signs will be placed on the doors indicating that “we are in a hold and secure”. No one will be permitted in or out of the building but everything will continue as usual in the school. Recess will be indoors. When safe to do so, we will announce an “all clear” and the exterior doors will be unlocked and signs will be removed.

Please Note: To help ensure the safety of our building, all doors will be locked, except for the front entrance, daily after 9:15 am. All visitors are asked to report to the office.

All school personnel will be doing their best to ensure that ALL students are being supervised safely at all times in emergency situations. Please discuss with your children their responsibility in keeping themselves safe by listening to the adults and following our emergency procedures.

Student Transportation Services

Parents of students who will be taking the school bus will be required to do the following:

- Inform the Transportation Department at 204-789-0452 when your child will not require bus service for that day.
- Ensure your child is on time for the scheduled bus pick-up and that somebody is there to pick-up your child on time after school. All students who do not have a parent meet them at the stop will be brought back to the school to arrange alternate pickup.
- Inform the school of any changes in address in order to request a new bus route for your child. All new requests to change your transportation pick-up and drop-off locations will take upwards of 2 weeks to come into effect.
- Ensure your child is prepared to practice Safe, Respectful and Responsible behaviour on the bus. Including no standing up without permission, no eating or drinking on the bus, hands and feet to themselves, no vandalizing the bus, etc. Any reports of bus misconduct will be sent to the school to follow up with. Multiple reports could lead to your child being removed from the bus indefinitely.



Grade 7 & 8 Students Practical Arts

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Our Grade 7 & 8 students attend Practical Arts classes at Sargent Park School once a cycle, every Day 5 in the morning. Classes begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 11:15 a.m. Students are expected to find their own transportation to and from Sargent Park School. Public Transit tokens will be available upon request.

Your child will participate in four programs that include: Graphics, Electronics, Clothing/Textiles and Food/Nutrition. The Practical Arts Program has specific expectations and safety guidelines in place in order to keep students and staff safe at all times. Students attending classes at Sargent Park School are expected to follow the Winnipeg School Division Code of Conduct and adhere to all rules. Students are expected to attend regularly and on time and to enter the school using the entrance from the playground side on Dominion Street. Students are then expected to exit Sargent Park School through the Practical Arts doors.

If any student is late for class then please use the Sargent Park Place doors and report immediately to the office to sign in late and pick up a late slip in order to enter class.

Every student will attend classes for 8 weeks in four areas: Graphics/Drafting, Clothing/Textiles, Electronics, and Food/Nutrition. Each student will be given a term mark at the end of this 8 week cycle. A final average mark will be given out in June which will cover the four areas.

Safety precautions are practiced and reviewed, and all students are informed about appropriate dress and needs while in the Practical Arts area. Please note that hoodies with draw strings, long hair, jewellery, flip flops and shorts are not allowed in the Practical Arts Program. This also applies to all electrical devices, phones, iPod, etc.

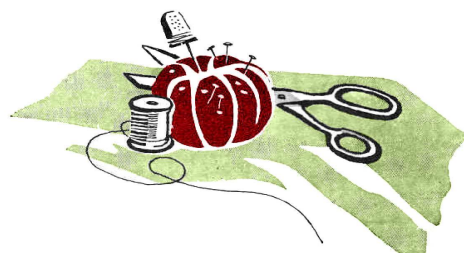
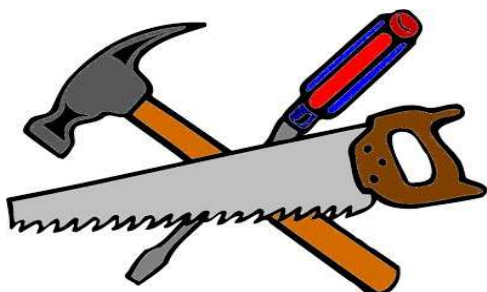
A small but very important reminder, each student must have a notebook and pencil.

Student behaviour and conduct is also important in the Practical Arts Program. Due to the busy and hands on nature of the work, all students are required to listen and follow instructions, and comply with rules and expectations for behaviour and safety.

Should there be any issue or question about performance, attitude or progress the Practical Arts Teachers will be in contact with you to share information, along with a rubric that will indicate each student's program in the Practical Arts Program.

Grade 9 Students Industrial Arts

Grade 9 students attend Industrial Arts classes at Daniel McIntyre Collegiate every Day 6 in the Afternoon. Classes begin at 1:20. Students are expected to find their own transportation to and from Daniel McIntyre. Public Transit tokens will be available upon request.



Isaac Brock Parent Council Lunch Program



Hello Isaac Brock families!

Isaac Brock School offers a Parent Council run lunch program for grades 1-6. It is \$40/month for the first child and \$30/month for any other children in the same household.

Payments can be made by etransfer to ibpclunch@gmail.com
Please be sure to put your child's name in the message box in the etransfer so that your payment can be recorded accurately.

If you would like to register please read the Welcome package, fill out the registration form and sign the contract. The Welcome package is for families to keep and the registration form and contract are to be returned to the Lunch Program. Registration starts August 21st and will be ongoing.

Children must be registered to attend the Lunch Program. Parents must supply a lunch for their child.

If you have any questions please contact Liz at the number/email below.

See you in September,

Liz Jackimec
IBPC Lunch Program Coordinator
(204)298-6741
ibpclunch@gmail.com

Junior High Lunch Program

Junior High students will be required to go home for lunch unless they live more than a 15 minute walk away from the school as per Google Maps. If your child qualifies, they may stay for lunch in a designated classroom and will be supervised by school staff with no additional cost. Please do not send any heat-ups as there will be no microwaves available.

Cree/Ojibwe Bilingual Lunch Program

All students enrolled in the Cree or Ojibwe Bilingual Program will be eligible to stay for lunch with no additional cost. Students will eat lunch in their classrooms and will be supervised by school staff. Students will have recess for half of the hour and eat lunch for the other half. Please do not send any heat-ups as there will be no microwaves available. Plastic cutlery will not be provided.

Lunch Delivery Services

Isaac Brock will no longer accept Skip the Dishes, Door Dash or Uber Eats deliveries for your children. In cases where lunch is forgotten, the school will provide an emergency lunch for your child, or you can choose to drop one off for them.

Tree Planting Workshop

All ages are welcome to join the South Valour Residence Association (SVRA) and Trees Winnipeg for a tree planting workshop at the Isaac Brock School on October 14th between 10:00am-1:00pm. Learn how to properly plant and maintain trees through a 30 minute presentation followed by a Q&A and a demonstration from a trained arborist. Equipment will be provided to attendees who assist with planting 20+ trees at the school. Lunch will be provided to planting participants, with plant-based options provided upon request. Participants will also be entered into a draw for a chance to win a free tree to plant in their yard!

This initiative is made possible by a \$10,000 grant awarded to the SVRA by Trees Canada and The Winnipeg Foundation. The grant encourages and supports community tree planting projects that create long-lasting benefits where people live, work, or play. Trees Winnipeg has partnered with the SVRA to help facilitate the grant planning and execution and to co-host the planting event.



The poster features a green background with white and dark green text. At the top left is the South Valour Residents Association logo, and at the top right is the Trees Winnipeg logo. The main title 'Community Tree Planting' is in large, bold, black font, with 'CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS' below it in a smaller, bold, black font. A white rounded rectangle contains the date 'Saturday, 14 October 2023' and the location 'Isaac Brock School Yard 1265 Barratt Avenue'. Below this is a dark green rounded rectangle with the time '10:00 am to 1:00 pm' in white. The text describes the event, including a 30-minute presentation, planting 20+ trees, and a free lunch. A QR code is provided for sign-up. At the bottom, there is an illustration of two people planting a tree and contact information for Kyle Wiebe.

Community Tree Planting
CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

 **Saturday, 14**
October 2023

 **Isaac Brock School Yard**
1265 Barratt Avenue

10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Join the South Valour Residents Association and Trees Winnipeg for a 30-minute tree planting presentation then help us plant 20+ new trees on the Issac Brock School grounds!

Planting participants will get a free lunch and be entered to win a free tree for their yard.

All ages are welcome to participate. Tree planting equipment will be provided.



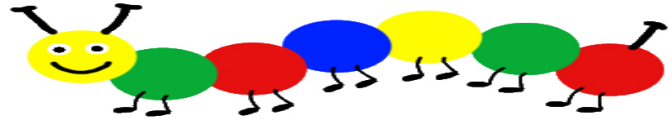
Sign up at this QR code or:
<https://shorturl.at/egloY>

For more information, please contact
kyle.wiebe@svrawinnipeg.org

School Supplies



For Nursery through Grade 9, our teachers purchase all the school supplies that students will need for the year. Buying in bulk helps to reduce the costs and buying everything together ensures all students have access to the same quality of supplies. The supply fee for Nursery and Kindergarten is \$40.00 per student and the fee for grades 1-9 is \$50.00 per student. Please pay your fee promptly to your child's homeroom teacher. Fees can be paid via cash or cheque payable to Isaac Brock School. Receipts will be issued by the classroom teacher



Welcome back staff, students and families! I hope your summer was filled with lots of adventures, relaxation and good memories!

With school back in session, it's time to think about the year ahead and what we can do as parents to help our children, their school and our community to be the best learning environment for our families. The Isaac Brock Parent Council discussed some big dreams for the 2023-2024 school year! We hope to pull off some of our usual fundraisers, a couple of movie nights, a book fair and maybe organize some workshops or info nights. To best make these ideas possible, we are always looking for parent volunteers to help out! You do not need to join our parent council or our meetings, although you are quite welcome to, but we would love to hear from you if you would like to help out with any of our plans for this school year!

Speaking of parent council meetings, we hold a meeting once a month to discuss objectives for the coming year, plan events and fundraisers and any other topics of discussion that may arise where parental representation is needed at the school or division level. All parents/guardians/caregivers of the children at Isaac Brock School are welcome to attend. Our first meeting is our Annual General Meeting where we will elect our Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Communications positions of our parent council for the school year. This year the meeting will be held on September 19th at 630pm in the school library. I would love for you to join us, see what the Parent Council is all about and how it plays an important role in our school community. Child care and snacks are provided.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions or inquiries by email. Or maybe you would like to volunteer? Email ibparentcouncil@gmail.com. Check out our Facebook and Instagram pages [@isaacbrockparentcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/isaacbrockparentcouncil) for updates and other useful information!

Cheers!
Sindy A. Stratton
Parent Council Chair

Valour Community Centre Before/After School Program

Valour Community Centre offers a variety of programs to care for your child. Our Before and After School Program at our Isaac Brock site is for children aged 4yrs-12yrs.

This program runs through the school year as well as Christmas and summer holidays. Children must be toilet trained. We are open from 7:00am to 5:30pm, Monday to Friday. A staff member will take the children to school in the morning as well as pick up the Nursery/Kindergarten children at 11:30am and 3:30pm. Children in grade 1 or higher walk across the field in a group at 3:30pm.

Your child will be supervised in a fun, caring environment. We have a large gym, lots of age appropriate toys and a variety of art supplies.

Please send your child with a few healthy snacks (**nut and fish/seafood free**) as they use up a lot of energy running around!

\$7.00 before school

\$7.00 after school

\$19.00 inservice (full day)

\$13.00 Nursery or Kindergarten half day

*****Prices subject to change*****

For more information or to register please call (204)775-3869 or come down and see us. 715 Telfer St. North (across the field from Isaac Brock School).

WE ARE NOT ABLE TO ACCEPT CHILDREN UNLESS THEY HAVE BEEN REGISTERED. WE ARE NOT A DROP IN PROGRAM.



SCHOOLMESSENGER®

SAFE ARRIVAL ABSENCE REPORTING SYSTEM

School Messenger allows parents/guardians to report student absences, late arrivals, early departures and vacations by phone, web or smartphone app. Parents/ guardians will report all absences through School Messenger **before 9:00 AM** and will not receive a phone call from the school.

For safety reasons, in the event of an unexplained student absence, the system will communicate with parents in a timely manner.

There are three ways to report an absence:



Phone:

Parents/guardians can call the toll free number **1-855-278-4513**; listen carefully to all the options, choose the appropriate absence and reason; wait for confirmation number.



Internet:

Parents/guardians can log into the website:
<https://go.schoolmessenger.ca> and sign up using the email address on file at Isaac Brock School and a password of your choosing. Absences, late arrivals, early departures and vacations can be reported.



iPhone or Android device:

If you would like to use an app on your smart phone:
Download the free app through the App Store or Google Play; search **School Messenger**; install the blue app and sign up using the email address on file at Isaac Brock School and a password of your choosing. Absences, late arrivals, early departures and vacations can be reported.



**Absences must be reported to School Messenger
no later than 9:00 am on the day of the absence.**

September 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p style="text-align: center;">Coming up in October:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Tuesday, Oct. 3– NO CLASSES ◆ Monday, Oct. 9– NO CLASSES ◆ Wednesday, Oct. 11– Picture Day ◆ Thursday, Oct. 19– Gr. 6 Immunizations ◆ Friday, Oct. 20– NO CLASSES 				1
4	5 Day 1	6 Day 2	7 Day 3	8 Day 4
Labour Day  NO SCHOOL	Non-Instructional Day NO CLASSES 	First Day of Classes  *See student line-up map*		English N/K Staggered Entry
11 Day 5	12 Day 6	13 Day 1	14 Day 2	15 Day 3
Ojibwe/Cree Kinder begins 5-6:30- Meet the Teacher AM– Gr. 7/8 Shops @ Sargent Park	PM– Gr. 9 Shops @ DMCI			
18 Day 4	19 Day 5	20 Day 6	21 Day 1	22 Day 2
Non-Instructional Day  NO SCHOOL	AM– Gr. 7/8 Shops @ Sargent Park	PM– Gr. 9 Shops @ DMCI 6:30– Parent Council Meeting		
25 Day 3	26 Day 4	27 Day 5	28 Day 6	30 Day 1
		AM– Gr. 7/8 Shops @ Sargent Park	PM– Gr. 9 Shops @ DMCI	Orange Shirt Day
Truth and Reconciliation Week Activities				