

## **AGRHS Parent Bulletin - September 2024**



**Workshop for Parents & Annual General Assembly of Parents:** All parents of current AGRHS students are invited to attend the annual general assembly of parents that will take place in person on **Monday, September 30th at 6:30 p.m. in the AGRHS Library**. There are six seats open for Parent Representatives on the Governing Board this year, four to serve a 2-year term and 2 to serve a 1-year term. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to play a role in the education of our students. As a Parent Representative on the Governing board, you represent Alexander Galt Regional High School parents in decisions and recommendations as outlined in the [Education Act](#). Governing Board meetings are held monthly in the Library or virtually (TBD).



The General Assembly of parents also elects, from the Parent Representatives on Governing Board, a Central Parents' Committee Representative. This is a very important position as it provides the parents from each school a voice at the Central Board level. The Central Parents' Committee is composed of 1 parent representative from each school and meets monthly in Magog. This representative reports back to the Governing Board.

The establishment of the Alexander Galt PPO will also be requested at the General Assembly. The PPO is a vital group of dedicated parents ready to support and to assist in the education and growth of our students. The PPO offers valuable support in assisting with school activities and representing parent views. The PPO is always looking for new members and all parents are welcome. The PPO meets monthly in the Student Support Centre Conference Room (Door 17) or virtually (TBD).

**PE T-Shirts:** A reminder from the August Parent Bulletin that PE t-shirts are now available for purchase online. All students who are new to the school receive 1 PE t-shirt free through their PE class. Anyone needing or wanting to purchase a t-shirt can order the new model online directly from [Toro Graphics](#) or a limited inventory of our previous white model remains available for purchase through Ms. Salman in Central Office. The new grey version is only available online.

**R3USSIR:** Éducation Emploi Estrie encourages the community to support the “Let’s Encourage Our Students to Graduate!” campaign taking place from September 16 to November 10. More information can be found on the [R3USSIR website](#) or at [diplomeEnPoche.ca](#) as of September 16th.

**End of Term Dates & Parent Interviews:** Please refer to the [AGRHS End of Term Dates - Info for Parents](#) document for detailed dates related to the issuing of report cards & communications as well as parent-teacher interviews.

**AGRHS Standards & Procedures - Summary:** This [summary of standards & procedures](#) provides you with the overview of the timeline and the details of assessment and reporting across the school year.

**Code of Conduct:** Please familiarize yourself with the [Piper Pledge](#) and the [AGRHS Code of Conduct](#) and take time to review this with your child(ren). Assemblies will be taking place where we review this as well as the [AGRHS Anti-Bullying/Anti-Violence Plan](#) (ABAV) and other important school procedures and expectations. It is important that you as a parent are aware of the ability to [report bullying via the online form](#) found on the school website.

**Chromebook Deployment:** Parents of students new to AGRHS should have received an email with the required documents to be provided with their ETSB issued Chromebook for this school year. Students new to AGRHS were able to collect their Chromebook during the August 28th New Student Orientation provided the signed authorizations had been received. Students who did not attend the orientation should by now have collected their Chromebook from the Help Desk.

**After-School Tutoring:** The Fall session will run from October 21, 2024 to February 14, 2025. If you would like your child to participate in the after-school tutoring sessions, please complete the [Google Form](#). Please note that filling in the form does not automatically guarantee that your child will receive tutoring services. We will try our best to accommodate your requests. Requests are reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis. Students will only be eligible to receive tutoring in one subject. If you are unsure which subject will be the most beneficial, please contact your child's teacher for their recommendation.

The Google Form must be completed by **Friday October 4, 2024**.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. You can reach me by email ([KelsoK@etsb.qc.ca](mailto:KelsoK@etsb.qc.ca)) or by phone (819-563-0770 Ext. 22005).

**Billing of Unreturned School & ETSB Property:** Student accounts are billed the replacement costs of all unreturned school and school board property. This includes textbooks, Chromebooks & chargers, library books, etc...Items can continue to be returned to Central Office as they are found and accounts will be credited.

**Consumable Materials & Fees:** Students receive all consumable materials in class. School fees are visible in the student account on the portal and can be paid online or in person by making an appointment in advance with Ms. George at ext. 22056.

**School-Wide Fundraising:** Please be aware that there are 3 school-wide fundraisers where profits are credited to the individual's student fundraising account. These amounts are carried over from year to year and can be used for a wide variety of expenses that are billed through the school (the Europe Trip being the only external supplier where the fundraising account can be applied). Student accounts can be used for field trips, sports, school store, consumable fees, Chromebook damages/replacement, Prom tickets, etc...The individual accounts cannot be used for suppliers where payment is made directly to the supplier (ex. Grad rings, school photos, grad photos...) Information pertaining to fundraisers is provided in the daily student bulletin by Ms. Danica Montgomery in Student Activities. The fundraisers are scheduled to take place in October, January and March. **Our first fundraiser is with Perfection, Citrus Fruit. The student information meeting will be held Tuesday, October 1 at 12:30 in Y-207.**

**Open Campus:** Like most Secondary Schools in the province, AGRHS is an Open Campus. While Cycle 1 students are expected to remain on campus, Cycle 2 students may leave campus at lunch time. Please communicate your expectations with your child. It is important to be aware that there is generally no need for students to leave campus as we are fortunate to have a large campus with a lot of varied activities and on-site cafeteria services. Students who do leave campus are responsible for their actions and are expected to conduct themselves as good and law-abiding citizens.

**Student Drivers:** Students who choose to drive to school are required to park their cars in the visitor parking lot adjacent to the flag poles. To ensure the safety of all, campus signage and posted speed limits must be respected at all times. School administration reserves the right to revoke student driving privileges on campus should driving and parking rules not be respected. Students who leave at lunch with their cars are expected to be on time for their block 3 class.

**Arrival and Dismissal:** Please be aware that supervision is in place as of 8:30 a.m. and students should not be arriving prior to that time. Doors are locked and students may only enter the building as of 8:30 a.m. It is preferable that students arrive after 8:45 a.m. as classes begin with Academic Block at 9:05 a.m.

Classes are dismissed at 3:45 p.m. and there is no supervision after 4:00 p.m. All students are required to leave campus by 4 p.m. unless they are participating in a

structured, supervised school activity. If a student is being picked up rather than taking the bus, it is essential that their ride be in the visitors' parking at the 3:45 dismissal. Students whose ride has not arrived prior to the bus departure will be required to get on their usual bus. Also, for safety reasons, if a student is being picked up, this needs to be organized in advance and the student must be waiting at the flagpole for their ride. We cannot pull students from their bus once they have boarded. Please use the visitor's parking as the 'drive-around' when picking up your child, and be vigilant to the crosswalk.

**School Communications:** School communications take place digitally via email, the parent portal, the school website, Facebook and Instagram. Please ensure your email address is up to date so that you do not miss out on important information. Effort is taken to consolidate information into this monthly Parent Bulletin that is generally issued at the beginning of each month. There is also a daily bulletin to students that is also accessible to parents via the school website - we encourage you to read this regularly as it will provide more specific & timely information related to school life.

**Terry Fox Activities:** Terry Fox Day is coming up on September 27 and once again, our Pipers have taken up the challenge to raise money for the Terry Fox Foundation in the fight against cancer! Here is a list of the different school fundraising activities we are participating in, all proceeds go to the Terry Fox Foundation under our schools fundraising efforts!

1. Terry Fox Tees are available to order! Order forms can be found in the Student Bulletin or by visiting Danica in O-201. Deadline to order is September 18. Youth sizes are \$20, and adult sizes are \$25.
2. Tips for Terry Jars will be placed at the Cafeteria cash and house offices for small change the week of September 23 - 26 leading up to our Terry Fox Run!
3. Muffin Bake Sale! Every morning from September 23 - 26 inside door 2 from 8:30am - 9:05am. Everything is 1\$ or 2\$.Cash only!
4. Terry Fox Run! Our school run will take place during block 3, September 27. Consider donating online in support of our Pipers as they take on the challenge of running or walking to carry on Terry's Marathon of hope and fight against cancer! Our goal is to raise \$3000 as a school community!

**Alexander Galt Regional High School Online Fundraising Page:**

<https://schools.terryfox.ca/AlexanderGaltRegionalHS>

5. Staff challenges! Some of the staff have taken things a step further and have challenged themselves to different tasks or activities for different amounts of money raised! Stay tuned to our Galt Facebook Page or student bulletin to learn more!

**Dates to Remember:**

September 16	School Photos
September 18	Club Day
September 20	PD Day - No Classes for Students
September 23 - 27	Grad Photos
September 27	Terry Fox Run
September 30	General Assembly of Parents
October 1	School-Wide Citrus Fundraiser (profit student accounts) Info Meeting
October 3	Spirit Day
October 10	Open House/Meet the Teacher
October 12	1st Communication to Parents available on portal
October 14	Thanksgiving - School Closed
October 18	PD Day - No Classes for Students
November 13	Term 1 Report Card available on portal
November 14	Parent-Teacher Interviews - Virtual Format
November 14 & 15	PD Days - No Classes for Students
December 6	PD Day - No Classes for Students
December 21-Jan 5	Christmas Holidays - School Closed
January 6	PD Day - No Classes for Students
January	Virgin Hill Coffee Fundraiser (profit student accounts)
March	Coaticook Cheese Fundraiser (profit student accounts)

**2024 - 2025 School Calendar Links:**

[AGRHS 9 Day Cycle Calendar 2024 - 2025](#) Regular & Concentration Programs

[AGRHS 10 Day Cycle Calendar 2024 - 2025](#) WOTP & 15+ Programs


