



This Bi-weekly Newsletter is available to members and non-members of the Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce and features information of importance to, and about local business and upcoming events!

Wednesday September 16th, 2020

<div>Vauxhall Ag Society</div> <div>Volunteer of the Year 2020</div> <div>Nominations are now open to <u>ANYONE</u> within the Vauxhall and District area!</div> <div>Deadline is:</div> <div>November 1st, 2020</div> <div> <p>The Vauxhall Ag Society is now accepting nominations for the 2020 Volunteer of the Year! If you know anyone within Vauxhall or surround area that donates their time and is always willing to lend a helping hand, please nominate them to be honored with this amazing award! You can find more information in the Vauxhall Advance or on the Vauxhall Ag Society Facebook Page. Or you can simply send your nomination in an email to: vauxhallag@gmail.com</p> </div> <div>Deadline for nominations is November 1st, 2020!</div>	<div>VDCC Business of the Year 2020</div> <div>Nominations are now open to any BUSINESS within the Vauxhall and District area!</div> <div>Deadline is:</div> <div>November 1st, 2020</div> <div> <p>The Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for the 2020 Business of the Year! Please send in your nominations for any of our amazing businesses! You can find more information in the Vauxhall Advance or on the Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce Facebook Page. Or you can send an email with your nomination to: info@vauxhallchamber.ca</p> </div> <div>Deadline for nominations is November 1st, 2020!</div>	<div>Vauxhall Ag Society is pleased to host their first AHSRA Rodeo!!</div> <div>September 25, 26 & 27th 2020!</div> <div> <p>The Jr. High rodeo action will start on Friday September 25th @ 5pm with performance 1 and again on Saturday September 26th @ 9am! The High School action will start on Saturday at 2pm and again on Sunday at 9am! The rodeo events that will take place include barrel racing, pole bending, boys and girl's goat tying, chute dogging, ribbon roping, tie down roping, team roping, boys and girls breakaway roping, saddle bronc riding, bareback riding and bull riding. We will be able to see some of our local students participate!! This event will be following COVID-19 guidelines and social distancing requirements.</p> </div>
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The Vauxhall Friends of the Public Library Society are looking for new members, for more information call 403-654-2895.

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Vauxhall
Public Library



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AG SOCIETY

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS 2020

Now being Accepted

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THE VAUXHALL AG SOCIETY IS PROUD TO HOST A
DISTRICT 1 ALBERTA JR. HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL
RODEO

SEPTEMBER 25, 26, & 27TH 2020



SCHEDULE

- ~Friday Jr. High Rodeo
Starts at 5pm
- ~Saturday Jr. High
Rodeo starts at 9am
- ~Saturday High School
Rodeo starts at 2pm
- ~Sunday High School
Rodeo starts at 9am

Located at the Vauxhall
Rodeo Grounds
Following all COVID-19
Guidelines with social
distancing

CALL OR TEXT FOR INFORMATION 403-894-0923

Nominations Are Open!

*VDCC ~ 2020
Business of the
Year*

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PREVENT THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS

You can help prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Alberta. Prevention starts with awareness.

- Practice physical distancing
- Self-isolate if you're feeling sick
- Wash your hands frequently
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Avoid touching your face
- Do not travel outside of Canada

PRACTICE PHYSICAL DISTANCING

All Albertans have a responsibility to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Take steps to protect yourself and others:

- Limit the number of times you leave your home
- Stay at least 2 meters away from others when you go out for groceries, medical trips, and other essential needs
- Have groceries or other items delivered if possible
- If you go outside for fresh air maintain 2 meters distance from others
- Avoid overcrowding in elevators and other enclosed spaces
- Wash your hands after touching communal surfaces such as handrails, handles
- Postpone family visits, friend gatherings, and group outings, especially if household or family members are senior citizens or have high-risk medical conditions
- Do not gather with other people if you have a fever or a cough, even if symptoms appear to be mild.
- Obey all mandatory self-isolation requirements and mass gathering restrictions now in place in Alberta.

Legally enforceable public health measures are in place to limit the time Albertans spend in contact with each other. Anyone violating these restrictions is now subject to fines.

MONITOR YOUR SYMPTOMS

COVID-19 symptoms are similar to influenza and other respiratory illnesses. Symptoms can include:

- cough
- fever
- shortness of breath
- runny nose
- sore throat

If you have any of these symptoms stay home and self-isolate; do not go to an ER or medical clinic. **Call Health Link at 8-1-1 for more information.** Services are available in 240 languages.

SELF ISOLATE

You are legally required to self-isolate for:

- **14 days** if you returned from international travel or are a close contact of a person with COVID-19
- **10 days** if you have a cough, fever, shortness of breath, runny nose, or sore throat that is not related to a pre-existing illness or health condition

If you are self-isolating:

- Stay home — do not go to work, social events or any other public areas or community settings
- Avoid close contact with other people, including household members but especially seniors and people with chronic conditions or compromised immune systems
- Do not use public transportation or ride sharing
- Do not go for walks in public places. This includes children in mandatory self-isolation.
- If you go outside, you must remain on private property not accessible by others.
- If you live in an apartment building or high-rise, you must stay inside and cannot use the elevators or stairwells. If your balcony is private and at least 2 metres away from other balconies, you may use your balcony to get fresh air.

COVID-19 INFORMATION

PARENTS' GUIDE 2020–21 SCHOOL YEAR

Return to near normal daily in-school classes with health measures



Learning in the new school year

Students will return to school daily at the beginning of the new school year. There are health measures that everyone has to follow to reduce the risk of COVID-19 and help stay safe.

While your school will develop a plan to meet the government's health recommendations, everyone will have a role to play.

PARENTS' ROLE IN KEEPING SCHOOLS SAFE

Screen for symptoms every morning

Check every morning to see if your child has any of these symptoms. If yes, they must stay home:

- Fever, cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, sore throat, chills, painful swallowing
- Runny nose/nasal congestion, feeling unwell/fatigued, nausea/vomiting/diarrhea, unexplained loss of appetite
- Loss of sense of taste or smell, muscle/joint aches, headache, Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)

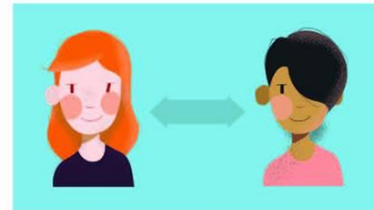


Stay home when sick or if in contact with someone who is sick

Students, parents or family members must not enter school if they:

- Feel sick or have symptoms of COVID-19
- Had close contact with someone who is ill with a cough and/or fever
- Have anyone in the household who has been in close contact in the last 14 days with someone who is being investigated or confirmed to have COVID-19
- Have traveled outside of Canada in the last 14 days
- Had close contact with someone who has travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days and who is ill

Use the [Self-Assessment tool](#) to check if your child should be tested for COVID-19.



Keep a safe distance

Keep 2 metres between you and others when possible:

- During drop-off and pick-up
- During interactions with a teacher, school staff or other parents and students

Pick up students promptly if they show symptoms at school

You will be asked to pick up your child from school immediately if they show symptoms. Please ensure the school has your most up-to-date contact information so they may reach you if your child needs to be picked up.

For more details: alberta.ca/returntoschool

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Taking your child to school

If your child normally takes the bus, consider taking them directly to school if your personal situation allows for it. This would help with physical distancing on the bus for students who do not have other options besides taking the bus.

WHAT STUDENTS NEED TO KNOW

Cohort

A cohort—or bubble—is a group of students and staff who remain together. The size of the cohort will depend on the physical space of the classroom.

The risk of COVID-19 is reduced by limiting exposure to others. Staying in a cohort also makes contact tracing easier and faster if there is a suspected case of COVID-19.

Talk to your child about some of the new health measures to help them prepare for the first day of school:

- Sanitize hands before entering school and classrooms
- Keep a distance between others and follow marks in hallways
- Do not share food or personal items
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Tell staff if feeling sick at school
- Lunch and recess time may change to allow for more physical distancing
- Students may be asked to stay in their own cohort to decrease contact with others
- Students who take the bus will have to sit in the same seat every day.

Your child may feel nervous about what school will be like. While there will be changes, the key school experience will be the same as before—they will learn in class with their teacher and see friends.



HEALTH MEASURES AT SCHOOLS

Schools will follow detailed health guidelines to prepare for the return of students. For example:

- More cleaning and disinfection of high touch areas and shared equipment
- Allow for physical distancing when possible, which may include:
 - Stagger pick-up and drop-off times
 - One-way or marked hallways and designated entrance and exit doors
- Leave space between desks and tables
- Stagger start and end-times for classes and lunchtime to avoid crowded hallways and lunchrooms
- Limiting bathroom occupancy
- When physical distancing is not possible, extra emphasis will be on hand hygiene, covering coughs and sneezes, and cleaning.
- Students, where possible, will be cohorted by class.

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Check out the lots for sale in Vauxhall

<http://town.vauxhall.ab.ca/>



Planning an Event

LET US KNOW

Contact us with details and we will enclose the details in the next newsletter

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“Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence.” Helen Keller

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