



Friday, September 30th

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Volunteer Opportunities at Banded Peak

Banded Peak is always highly appreciative of the countless parent volunteers who contribute their time to help our students and staff. This year we are looking for volunteers to fill a number of positions within the school. Attached is a [link](#) to some of those opportunities. If you are not able to access the [link](#) online or would prefer to fill out the form in person, you may contact Mrs. Smallwood or come by the school office where we will have a hard copy available. Thank you in advance for your help!

Grade 5-8 Cross Country Running Team

Congratulations to our Cross Country Running Team who competed in their first race on Tuesday afternoon at Muriel Clayton School in Airdrie. The boys and girls competed in two and three kilometre races. A number of Banded Peak Students placed in the top three with a few taking top honours! Training will be back on on Monday, October 3rd – new runners welcome if you want to train and then join us for the race here at Banded Peak on Oct 12th (more details to come).

Boys and Girls Junior “A” Volleyball Team

Congratulations to our Junior “A” Boys and Girls Volleyball teams who competed in their Divisional Seeding Tournaments earlier this week. Both teams did exceptionally well and will now be preparing for their next tournament on Friday, October 14th. For more information on their schedule you can visit <http://rvsa.rockyview.ab.ca/middle-school-sports> . Go Grizzlies!

Inclement Weather Information

Earlier this week a letter was sent home discussing the “Emergency Closure of Schools”. As the weather begins to turn colder this is an important document to review carefully. In particular the information located in sections two and sections three of the letter:

- 1. Closure procedures due to weather will be initiated as early as possible and before students are picked up by the school bus in the morning. Once school begins for the day, school will not be closed because of weather conditions until regular dismissal time. At their discretion, a parent may choose to pick up their child from school at any time. Should it be deemed unsafe to dismiss students at the usual time, students may be kept at the school until it is deemed safe to depart, or until other arrangements have been made.*
- 2. Decisions to close school because of inclement weather or other emergencies will be announced on radio stations, CBC Radio, CHFM Lite 96, 66 CFR, JACK FM, QR 77, Q 107, Country 105, CKMX 1060, CJAY 92 as well as*

CITY TV, AIR 106 (Airdrie) and Global News Morning Edition. This information will also be posted on the Rocky View Schools' website, Facebook and Twitter and available by telephoning the RVS Transportation information line 403.250.0016.

In addition to these sources Banded Peak School will initiate a call to all parents via our Synervoice service and will post to our Facebook and Twitter Pages in the event of a school closure.

Additional information regarding the closure of schools [LINK](#)

School Council Meeting

Council meetings will be held at 6:30 on Wednesday, *October 19th, November 23rd, January 25th, March 29th, April 26th, and May 24th (Annual General Meeting)*

Hour-Zero

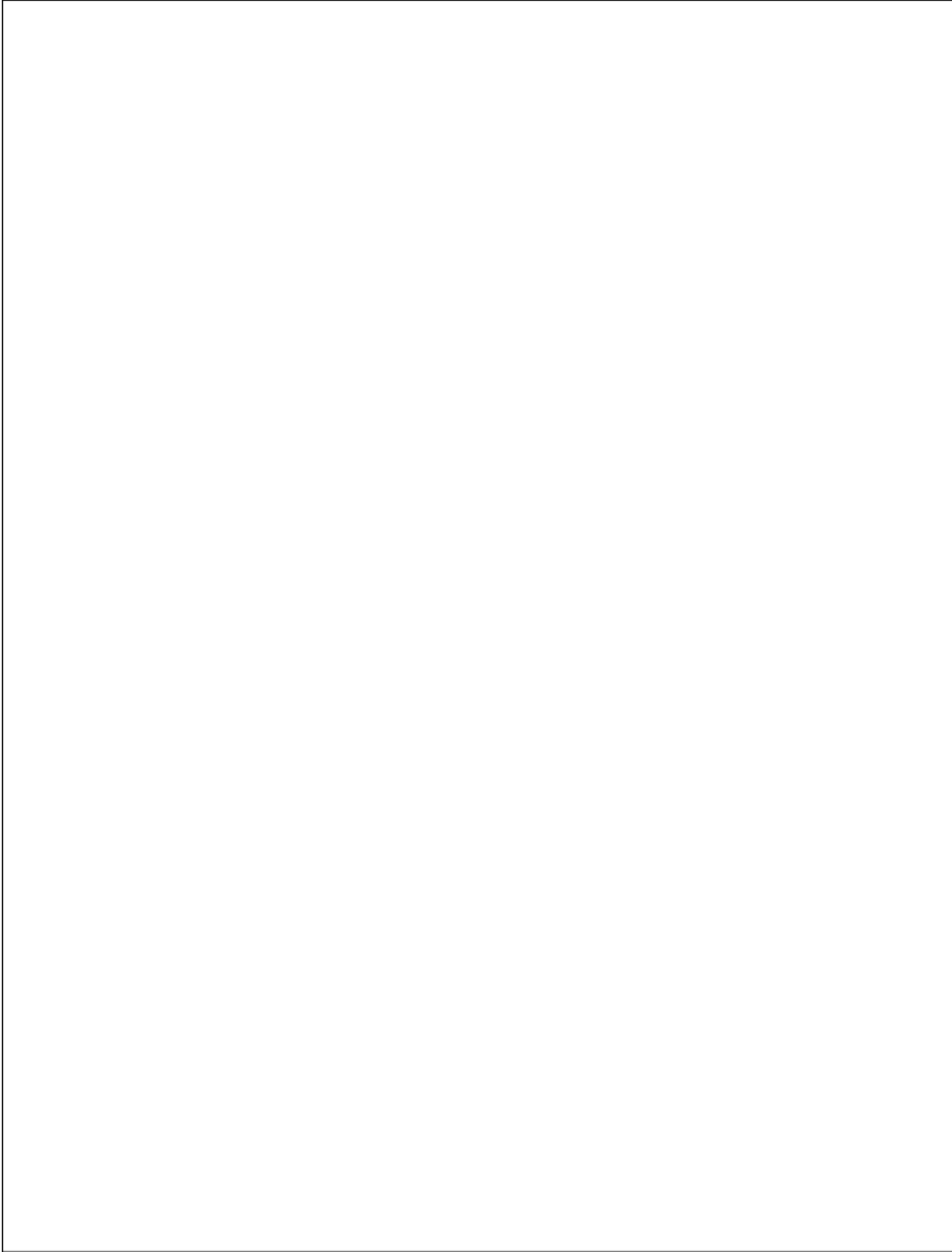
Please follow the attached link to information on Rocky View Schools' "Emergency Program". The information provides an overview for parents/guardians, students and teachers of our Hour Zero Plan and explanations of various drills and procedures that may be of interest. If you have questions related to this please contact the school – we are pleased to take time with you to explain the information. [LINK](#)

Parent Handbook

Banded Peak has updated our Parent and Student Handbook. Information can now be found under the "Resources" tab on our homepage or at <http://bpeak.rockyview.ab.ca/publications/resources>

New Staff to Banded Peak

Banded Peak School would like to welcome Ms. Kelsey Stevenson who will be joining our team on Monday, October 3rd. Ms. Stevenson is a native of Nova Scotia and will travelling by car to Alberta next week. A graduate of the University of King's College in Halifax and St. Francis Xavier University, Ms. Stevenson has both a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Education and comes highly recommended to Rocky View Schools and Banded Peak. She is currently working for the Halifax Regional School Board and has focused her career working with middle school and high school students in the areas of Language Arts and Social Studies.





Banded Peak School has opened both Facebook and Twitter accounts. These accounts will be used to highlight some of the exciting events and activities taking place in our School Community. They will also be used as a medium to connect with our community at large and expand our professional learning network. Please consider following us Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/bandedpeakschool> or on Twitter at [@bandedpeakrvs](https://twitter.com/bandedpeakrvs).

Reporting an Absence

Parents are encouraged to call the Absence Line (extension 2) to report your child absent or late. It is the best way to ensure that the office is informed of the absence and, as a result, you will not receive an automated phone call. Emails to the classroom teacher or the office are discouraged as they may not be read or shared in a timely manner.

Community Programs/ Events/ Learning Opportunities



Upcoming Events/Calendar

- October 3rd to 5th Grade 7/8 Band Camp
- October 3rd Running Club Practice

- [October 5th Grade 3/4 students to Drumheller](#)
- [October 6th Grade 5/6 students on Spray Lakes Sawmill Tour](#)
- [October 7th Professional Learning Day \(No School\)](#)
- [October 11th Professional Learning Day \(No School\)](#)

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