



# LAVAL JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER MAY / JUNE 2015

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### IMPORTANT DATES

#### MAY

- May 22 Spring Music Concert
- May 28 Dress Down Day - Breast Cancer
- May 29 PED DAY**
- May 31 World No Tobacco Day

#### JUNE

- June 4 Year End BBQ
- June 5 End of Term 3
- June 5 La Ronde Trip
- June 5 World Environment Day
- June 11 Sir Wilfrid Laurier Foundation Lobster Fest
- June 14 Fathers' Day
- June 18 Sec. 2 Dance
- June 20 SWLSB Montreal Impact Game Day

End of Year Exams: June 8-12

**\*\* Just a reminder that all students must be present for exams, including the English Process Exam, and lab exams.**

#### JULY

- July 1 LJHS becomes Laval Junior Academy

THANK YOU SO MUCH  
FOR BEING A PART  
OF THE HISTORY OF LJHS.

LEARNERS TODAY,  
LEADERS TOMORROW

If your child will be late or absent, don't forget to call the school, press 1 and leave a message!



## LJHS LAB EXAM SCHEDULE

	Thursday May 21, 2015	Monday May 25, 2015	Tuesday May 26, 2015	Wednesday May 27, 2015	Thursday May 28, 2015
1		ATOMS 2C6-35	DE SUA 2P4-43		ZOES 2P6-02
2				KIELY 2P6-04	KIELY 2P4-41
3	ZOES 2P6-01	KIELY 2P4-40		DE SUA 2P4-42	
4		DE SUA 2P4-44		KIELY 2P6-03	

**\*\* Attendance for these exams is mandatory.**

### LJHS End of Year BBQ - June 4th

As the school year comes to a close, Laval Junior High School is organizing its **end-of-year BBQ** on Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. Although June 4<sup>th</sup> is a regular school day (buses will be running as usual), the school administration has authorized this **full-day BBQ** for its students! Students will go to their first period, where attendance will be taken, and each student will be given tickets for a free breakfast, lunch and snacks.

The Parent Participation Organization has worked hard to fundraise all year in order to make this BBQ a success for our students! **Free food, fun games, prizes, dancing, photo booth and a LJHS keepsake gift for each student!**

There will be something for everyone to enjoy: A DJ for great music and dancing; karaoke; trivia games; soccer games (students against teachers); dunk tank; photo booth for keepsake pictures with friends and more!

Please encourage your child to attend this fun-filled event, organized for the students to underline not only the end of the school year, but the closing of Laval Junior High School. We hope that all students will attend and enjoy the day!

The BBQ will take place rain or shine - if weather permits, the dancing and games will be held outdoors, but in case of rain, all events will be held indoors.

Thank you and we look forward to a great turnout!

### End of Year Dance - Sec. 2



All secondary 2 students are invited to come and celebrate the end of the 2015 school year. Students from both LJHS and MTJHS will be attending this event.

WHEN: June 18th, 2015 7-10pm  
WHERE: Chateau Royale 3500 Souvenir, Laval

Music (DJ), dance party, buffet and door prizes  
COST: \$30 tickets sold in Block C week of May 25th

# LJHS End of Year Exams

	Monday June 8	Tuesday June 9	Wednesday June 10	Thursday June 11	Friday June 12
8:00	Science and Technology Sec 2	French Sec 1 & 2	Mathematics Sec 1 & Sec 2	Science and Technology Sec 1	GHC Sec 1 & 2
8:30					
9:00					
9:30					
10:00					
10:30					

## Exam Procedures & Information

The last regular school day for Laval Junior High School is Wednesday June 3rd. A LaRonde trip has been planned for June 5th, so we will be holding our last annual BBQ as Laval Junior on Thursday, June 4th. We will be serving hotdogs, veggie burgers, smoked meat sandwiches, chips, and water. There is no cost to students for the BBQ courtesy of PPO. Thank you to our hardworking PPO for their dedication and support.

### Please note a few key points:

- There will be no regular classes during the exam period.
- All exams begin at 8:00 a.m.
- The buses will be running at the regular times on the exam days.
- Exam times vary but the latest any exam finishes is 10:30 am.
- Students are encouraged to leave the building when their exam is finished, to go home and study.
- Parents are encouraged to arrange transportation home. Students, who must stay in school, awaiting transportation at 2:10 p.m., must remain in Block C until dismissal.
- Please note that there is no cafeteria service during the June exam period. Students have to bring their own snack and/or lunch to school.
- **DRESS CODE** is compulsory for exams.
- Students will not be permitted to leave the exam room before 9:00 a.m.
- Attendance is a must! Students must be on time for their exams, and be prepared with pencil/eraser or pen/white-out, and any other supplies they may need. Bottled water is permitted in the exam room.
- No electronic devices are permitted during the exam. They are to be turned off and kept out of sight.
- In the event of an absence due to illness, students must provide a doctor's note and inform administration as soon as possible. For any other reason of absence, parents/guardians must contact the administration.
- **REPORT CARDS** - Report cards will be sent by the 1st week of July, 2015.
- **SCHOOL FEES:** Please note that all unpaid fees were sent to collection.
- Please visit the school website for summer school information. If your child requires summer school, you will be notified by a phone call from the teacher.

**Good luck!**

**Have a great summer!**

## AWESOME STUDY TIPS

### GIVE YOURSELF TIME TO STUDY

Cramming doesn't work. It also doesn't give you time to ask questions on something you don't understand. Even if it's just 20 minutes per night. It's much less stressful to do a bit every night, then doing it all in one go.

### SET UP A STUDY STATION

This is the place where you will always study. Make sure it's comfortable and you have no distractions.

### MAKE YOUR OWN NOTES

Memory works on different levels. If you photocopy someone's notes you won't put things they way YOU understand them. When you copy out notes long-hand, there more chance that the information will stay in your head.

### USE A STUDY BUDDY

Sometimes it helps if you take turns with someone to quiz you on information.

## EXAM WRITING TIPS

**WRITE YOUR NAME ON THE ANSWER SHEET** You would be surprised how many people forget this crucial step.

**READ THE WHOLE EXAM BEFORE YOU ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS** Take out the element of surprise. Is the answer to question 2 in a map on page 4? Maybe!

**PLAN YOUR ATTACK** Remember that you don't have to do the exam in the order it appears. Will the essay question take longer? Do it last!

### DO THE EASY QUESTIONS FIRST

Answer all of the questions you know that you know first, and then go back to the ones you need to think about. You'll relax now that those are in the bag!

**TAKE YOUR TIME AND USE ALL OF IT** This isn't a race, and not using all of your time only hurts yourself. Check your work, catch any of those silly mistakes you see the second time around.

**NEVER LEAVE A BLANK** If you don't know the answer GUESS. A blank means no mark. A wrong answer might get you part marks.

Join us at the  
Sir Wilfrid Laurier Foundation's



Thursday, June 11, 2015  
6:00 p.m.

Château Royal Reception Halls  
3500, Souvenir Blvd., Laval (Québec)

**Ticket: \$150 (Tax receipt \$75)**

Proceeds from the evening will benefit the students of the  
Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board

**INFORMATION/RSVP**

Susan O'Keeffe 450 621-5600 extension 1351  
info-foundation@swlauriersb.qc.ca

Purchase your tickets or make a donation online:  
[www.fondationlaurier.com](http://www.fondationlaurier.com)



**Regional Track & Field Championships**

LJHS students hit a home run at the annual G.M.A.A. Track and Field competition held last week. Over 50 high schools competed at this event which saw LJHS students bring home the hardware!

Sophia Graziani	Silver	3000M
Fred Hachey	Silver	Javelin
	Bronze	800M
Alex Vitelli	Bronze	100M
	Gold	4x100M Relay (Team)
Emanuel Oliveira	Bronze	1500M
	Gold	4x100M Relay (Team)
Adam Bellmare	Gold	4x100M Relay (Team)
Nick Imbriglio	Gold	4x100M Relay (Team)

**New York Trip**

LJHS went to New York City this year with 48 students from May 13-16. We visited 5th Ave, the Plaza Hotel (Home Alone movie), FAO Schwartz, St-Patrick's Cathedral, Rockefeller Center, Times Square, Central Park, the American Museum of Natural History (Night at the Museum movie), Mme Tussaud's wax museum, the 9/11 Memorial,... We saw ALLADIN on Broadway, and the Mets play at Citi Field Stadium. We took the NYC subway!! We ate at authentic Asian restaurants in Chinatown, and savoured Italian delicacies at Little Italy's La Mesa restaurant. We took a ferry from Staten Island to visit the Statue of Liberty, and were amazed by the stunning views of the city from atop the Empire State Building.

We would like to thank our teachers for organizing such an amazing educational opportunity! Thank you Ms Skoufaras, Ms Tsoufikis, Ms. Tomeo, Mr van der Hoeven, Mr Pompa, and Mr Altarac.



**DATE CHANGED!!!**  
**IMPACT SOCCER GAME DAY!**

Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board  
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JUNE  
**20<sup>TH</sup>**  
8:00 PM



Tickets: \$12.00/ea

AN ENGLISH  
EDUCATION,  
A BILINGUAL  
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EN ANGLAIS,  
UN AVENIR  
BILINGUE

# LJHS / Alberta Exchange Trip



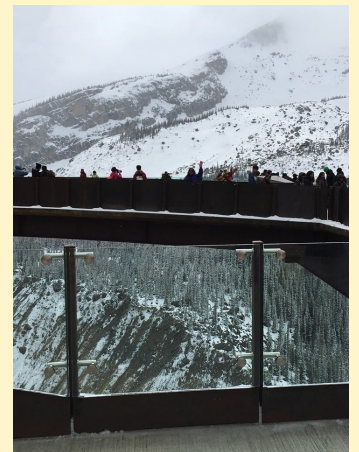
This year, 24 Laval Junior High School students and 2 Laval Liberty High School students took part in a national exchange trip with Glendale Science and Technology School in Red Deer, Alberta. This amazing opportunity was subsidized and supported by SEVEC and the Department of Canadian Heritage.

LJHS hosted the Alberta group for one week in April. During this time, students and teachers from both groups spent two days at Arundel Nature and Science Centre, explored Old Montreal and Chinatown, visited Mont Tremblant, took part in a Ghost Walk Tour of Montreal, climbed Mount Royal and spent an evening at iSaute.

The LJHS group then flew to Alberta on May 2 for one full week of exciting activities. The students hiked through the Badlands near Drumheller, visited the Royal Tyrell Museum, toured a coal mine, took part in Science Olympics at the school, hiked in the Rocky Mountains, visited West Edmonton Mall, rode the Jasper Skytram, had a snowball fight at the Columbia Icefields and explored the Edmonton Telus Science Centre.

More than exciting activities, the exchange trip allowed 50 students from two very different parts of Canada to bond and learn about each other's communities. Strong friendships were made that will last far beyond the actual trip.

Big thanks go to Ms. Panek for organizing the exchange, and all of the staff who helped in various ways.



## Asista Foundation Workshop

On May 22nd, Mrs. Varano's class hosted two service dogs from the Asista Foundation. The students were given the opportunity to become the dogs' teachers and they did well in their leadership roles. The students groomed the dogs, taught them basic commands and rewarded them with treats for their good listening skills. The workshop ended with some play time which was enjoyed by all. The students are looking forward to working with Trio and Toothless again.

