



# CITADEL MIDDLE SCHOOL

January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## STUDENT LED CONFERENCES (SLC)



Once again, our school is excited to again be having Student Led Conferences as a form of interim reporting, on Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> from 2 - 7pm.



There will be an early dismissal at 1:50pm on this day to facilitate conferences. All students are expected to take part in the conferences. Over the past few weeks, students have been engaged in the process of continuing to build their learning portfolios showing areas of growth over the first half of the school year. We are asking parents to call our office to book 20 minute time slots so you can have the time for your child to guide you through their learning journey.

During the conference, your child will lead you through selected work showing areas of strength, improvement, creativity and more. Be sure to visit Exploration classes as well. We look forward to seeing you February 4<sup>th</sup>!

## FOUNDATION SKILLS ASSESSMENT (FSA)

Our Grade 7 students will be writing the Foundation Skills Assessment tests (FSA) over the next few weeks. These assessments enable the Ministry of Education to gauge the appropriateness of the school curriculum and provide a vehicle for discussion about ways to improve our system. The assessments are not designed to be a measure of individual student performance, specifically, but they do give a general measure as to how a student fits into the widely held expectations for student performance at the Grade 7 level. While we value the importance of this assessment and we will encourage our students to do the best that they can, we will work to reduce any level of stress or anxiety about the assessment. It is not about a pass or fail, just showing what our students know and can do.