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Thursday, June 6

Grade 7 Journey 2050 Field Trip (Classes 7-1, 7-2)

Wednesday, June 12

ELA (Part B) PAT

Thursday, June 13

Mathematics (Part A ) PAT

FRIDAY SCHEDULE (June 7)
Day B (Periods 2-4-6)

Notes from Administration

Please continue to monitor your health. Do not come to school if you are ill.

A,.E. Cross Attendance

When reporting student attendance issues, including lates, absences and leave early, please call the main line and press extension 1 for the attendance line. Remember to spell the last name of the student and leave the reason for the absence, late or leave early.

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# **COLTS ATHLETICS**

For all Athletic information visit A.E. Cross School Athletic Website

#### **Team Fees**

Please check your MyCBE/Powerschool account for updated team fees. They should be added to your account. In order for the school to pay for referees and other team needs, we need the player fees paid.

We want all of our students to have the opportunity to play sports for AEC no matter the situation at home. If you are unable to pay the fees due to budgetary restrictions, please email <u>jarichards@cbe.ab.ca</u>.

#### Track and Field

Track and field is in need of 5 parent volunteers to help supervise the track competition. Volunteers need to be at Foothills Athletic Part at 8:30am on June 14th. Volunteers will need to stay until 2:45pm.

Please contact Mr. Richards (<u>jarichards@cbe.ab.ca</u>) if you are interested.

#### **Badminton**

If your student participated on the badminton team for AEC, please check your MyCBE account to pay for the season.

#### **Thermopylae**

Thermopylae competition is on June 4<sup>th</sup> at Valley Creek School. **Students will need to be at Valley Creek by 3:30 PM**. Please return the forms as soon as possible. Students must have attended a minimum of 4 practices to attend the event. There is no fee for this event. Next practice is Monday, 4-5pm.

Grade 9 students who have registered for the bowling field trip on June 26<sup>th</sup>; The fees will be added to your MyCBE account next week. Please make the payment by June 14<sup>th</sup> to confirm your spot on the trip.

## PROVINCIAL ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

We are happy to be offering students some additional Provincial Achievement Test support beginning Monday, April 22. This support will be offered each Monday in Room 19 from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm right up until the PATs occurring in June. Please encourage your child to make use of this resource!

Please see the schedule below for when the Grade 9 Provincial Achievement Tests will occur:



- Wednesday, June 12 Grade 9 English Language Arts Part B (Reading)
- Thursday, June 13 Grade 9 Mathematics Part A
- Tuesday, June 18 Grade 9 Mathematics Part B
- Wednesday, June 19 Grade 9 Social Studies
- Thursday, June 20 Grade 9 Science

## SPANISH BILINGUAL PROGRAM

# El Club del Español

Students have the opportunity to join "El Club del Español" to learn some Spanish or be a leader helping Sra. Hernández and Sra. Molina.

The Spanish Club will run every Wednesday after lunch. ¡Nos vemos!

# **Spanish Short Fillm Festival:**

Congratulations to all students in the Bilingual Program for their video productions!

Six of them, two per grade, made it to the Grand Finale celebrated at Crescent Heights High School and... AE Cross took People's Choice award for Grade 8 and Best Spanish Performance for Grade 7!!

¡Felicidades!

# ISA Farewell:

The students in Grade 9 in the Spanish Bilingual Program received their ISA Certificates on Friday to celebrate their journey during the stage at Junior High.

Huge thank you to families, CBE representative and students! ¡Felicidades por un gran trayecto!

#### **ART CLUB**

It has been a great year in Art club! It was wonderful to meet so many students and see them engaged in their artistic interests. The final Art Club will be on Tuesday June 4, 2024, 4-5pm. You will be able to pick up any ceramics projects before the end of the school year. Please check in with either Ms. Moore or Ms. Pollock to pick up your project if you have not picked it up by June 4. For those of you staying at AE Cross, we look forward to seeing you next year!

Sincerely Ms. Moore & Ms. Pollock

## **GRADE 9 FAREWELL**

Dear Parents and Grade 9 students,



We are so looking forward to celebrating with you on Thursday June 6 at the Grade 9 Farewell! Thank you to all of the students who have returned their permission forms to their homeroom teachers already. Just a reminder to get them in ASAP as we will need a count by May 24th. If you have not picked up a form or need a new one, please see either your homeroom teacher or Ms. Pollock in Rm #2 as we are happy to help you out! In order to attend the evening event you **must** have a signed parent form. Attendance will be taken on the evening of June 6, and students are expected to stay at the school until the

Please direct any questions in regards to attendance for this event to Ms. Pollock.

Kind regards,
Ms. L. Pollock
lcpollock@cbe.ab.ca

event ends.

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Hello parents!

We are looking for parent volunteers to assist with the Grade 9 farewell celebration. If you have some time available on June 6<sup>th</sup> please click on the link below to our SignUp Genius page and sign up. Please note you do not have to stay for the entire time ~ we appreciate any time that you can spare during the day to help out.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C48AEAE23A5F85-grade

If you have any questions please contact us at aecrosscouncil@gmail.com.

We thank you in advance for your support in making this event special for our Grade 9 graduates!

## **HEALTHY HUNGER**

Families can set up their orders through the Healthy Hunger website (<a href="https://healthyhunger.ca/">https://healthyhunger.ca/</a>). Please ensure that when ordering lunch for your student you pick your student's homeroom teacher.

Future Healthy Hunger/Fun Lunch dates can be found below:

- June 13, 2024 Boston Pizza
- June 24, 2024 Booster Juice Treat Day



#### **HOMEWORK HOTEL**

On Wednesdays after school from 4:00-4:45 pm, grade 7s are invited to come to the library to work on assignments, use a computers and/or printer for school tasks, and receive help with homework from both a math/science and language arts/social studies teacher.

## LIBRARY NEWS

Next week is the last week to check out library books. <u>All library books are due JUNE</u>

10. Please ask your children to bring their books to the library prior to or on June 10. If there are any students who really, really want to finish a book, please have them go and see Mrs. Brown in the library and she will make arrangements with them.

Overdue notices will be printed onon Tuesday June 11 or Wednesday June 12.

Some ideas of places that students can get books from for June – August:

Your classroom library (June)
Calgary Public Library
Little Libraries
Thrift stores
Chapters

## **LUNCHTIME EXPECTATIONS**

Lunchtime at A.E. Cross School runs from 12:07 PM to 12:48 PM each Monday to Thursday. The structure of the lunch hour works as follows:

**12:07 PM – 12:25 PM** – Students are welcome to eat lunch within the school on the main floor. The hallways, cafeteria and courtyard are available for student use during this time. Please note that there is currently no food service available to students at lunchtime. On days where the weather cooperates, students are also welcome to eat outside on school property.

**12:25 PM – 12:48 PM** – Students will be asked to go outside during this time period. It will be important that students get appropriate clothing from their lockers right at the end of the morning classes as the upper level of the school will be closed beginning at 12:10 PM. It is really important that students come prepared for the weather as they will be outside during this time unless they are part of a supervised activity within the school.



**WITH PARENTAL PERMISSION**, students are able to leave campus for lunch time. To minimize the number of students visiting our community neighbours, different grade groups can leave campus on specified days.

- Tuesdays Grade 7 students
- Wednesdays Grade 8 students
- Thursdays Grade 9 students

Should students leave campus, it is an expectation that they are respectful to our community neighbours as they are representatives of A.E. Cross School. We have had reports from community members that some of our students are littering.

- Students should not loiter at the businesses and they should buy their lunch and return to school property
- Should students be abusing their off-campus privileges by causing disruptions in the community or are consistently late upon return to school after lunch, privileges to leave at lunch may be taken away
- Back alleys and private yards are off-limits to students
- PLEASE NOTE A.E. CROSS SCHOOL DOES NOT PROVIDE SUPERVISION TO STUDENTS THAT ARE OFF CAMPUS AT LUNCHTIME.
- Students will not leave campus on Fridays during nutrition break (11:33 AM 11:48 AM) so please ensure that they come to school with a snack.
- A quick reminder to families that students are not able to bring drinks back into that
  do not have screw-top lids on them. This includes drinks such as: pop or energy drink
  cans, slurpees, coffees with plastic lids, and bubble teas. Students will be asked to
  throw these beverages out upon entering the school.

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

You're Invited & Volunteers Needed: AEC School Council & AECPA AGMs June 13, 2024

Dear 2023/24 and 2024/25 A.E. Cross Parents & Guardians:

You are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the A.

E. Cross School Council and A. E. Cross Parents' Association (AECPA).

Date: Thursday, June 13, 2024

Time: School Council meeting will begin at 7pm with the Parents'

Association meeting directly following.

Location: In Person at A.E. Cross School - upstairs in the Learning Commons

#### **AGENDAS**

The AGMS will include a summary of the 2023/24 year, elections for the 2024/25 executive members, appointment of liasions and other key volunter positions (see below) as well as discussion/approval the 2024/25 wish list/budget.

#### **CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS**

URGENT: We are looking for a volunteer to assist with auditing the financial statements in the first two weeks of June 2024 (does not need to be an accountant). Please email: <a href="mailto:aecrosscouncil@gmail.com">aecrosscouncil@gmail.com</a> if you can help. Thank you!!!

Thanks so much to all of the parent volunteers who contributed to the wonderful things that happended at A.E. Cross duing the 2023/24 year. **Do you have skills and time to share with the School Council or the Parent's Association next year?** We welcome anyone interested in an informal or formal role to email us at <a href="mailto:aecrosscouncil@gmail.com">aecrosscouncil@gmail.com</a>. We have volunteers offering to fill exective (Chair/President, Treasurer) and other positions next year (Fun Lunch Coordinator, Shopper). Thank you! A number of roles are vacant so we welcome you to join us as many hands make light work! Many positions do not require attendance at the regular meetings and can be done from home or the roles can be shared.

We are looking for volunteer(s) for the following important positions (no experience needed!):

## **Executive (Council/AECPA):**

- Vice Chair/ Vice President: Work in conjunction and step in for Chair/President if away.
- **Secretary**: prepare agendas, document meeting minutes, general communication.

## **AECPA Specific Executive:**

- Casino Coordinator (Director): This one is really, really important! Coordinate details of casino events, ensures compliance with licensing conditions and works in conjunction with AGLC to obtain and maintain a gaming license for the Province of Alberta. Note: next Casino event will be Q2 2025 with the exact date drawn Fall 2024.
- Additional **Director** Positions available if interested!

## **Council Liaisons & Committee Coordinators:**

- Council of School Councils (COSC) Liaison: Attend COSC meetings and provide update on key items to at the general meetings.
- Band Liaison: Act as liasion between the School Council and the Music Parent's Association.
- **Spanish Liasion**: Support and advocate for the students in the Spanish program and act as liasion between the School Council, school administration and the Spanish program.
- Volunteer Coordinator: Recruit and co-ordinate parent and community volunteers at the school and to ensure that all volunteers have appropriate police clearance to perform volunteer duties at the school.

- Staff Appreciation Coordinator(s): Spearhead and organize staff appreciation evens.
- **Fundraising Coordinator(s)**: Co-ordinate fundraising activities and social events that encourage school spirit among students, staff and parents.
- Grant Writer and/or Coordinator(s): Research, coordinate, support and/or write grants.
- **Communications Coordinator**: Oversee Council and Association communication and liase with administration on school communications.
- Grade 9 Farewell Committee Coordinator(s): Liase with school to support organization of Grade 9 Farewell to be held in June 2025.

Please reach out to the email below if you are interested in any of the above roles, would like more information, have ideas for next year. Thank you in advance for your time!

We hope to see you in person on Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 7pm in the Learning Commons at A.E. Cross School!

Thank you,

A. E. Cross School Council and Parents' Association Executive

aecrosscouncil@gmail.com

https://school.cbe.ab.ca/school/aecross/get-involved/parent-society/pages/default.aspx

# **SEMESTER TWO STUDENT FEES**

Semester two fees have now been posted to your child's MyCBE/PowerSchool accounts. Please log in and pay those fees when you get a chance. The fees collected allow your children to experience high quality educational experiences while at A.E. Cross School. If you have questions about the payment of student fees, we encourage you to contact the main office for assistance!

#### **VOLUNTEERING AT A.E. CROSS**

There will be activities done at A.E. Cross that require parent volunteers.

Starting on **Friday**, **Feb. 9**, parents and guardians can register to volunteer online in the SchoolEngage tab of their MyCBE account. Members of the community without a child in the system can also create a SchoolEngage account.

Once volunteers have created an account they can request and receive their volunteer letter required to obtain their police security clearance. Schools will continue to follow the process for generating letters.

There are no changes, at this time, to the ePIC application and payment process, currently outlined on the CBE Volunteer InSite page and managed by Calgary Police Service.

Once volunteers have their police information check and vulnerable sector clearance document (PIC VS), it can be uploaded and shared directly with the school through the SchoolEngage account.

