



Welcome to A.E. Cross School!

2025-2026 School Year

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Land Acknowledgement



Oki, Dadánast'áda, Āba Wathtec, Tānisi, Taanishi, Bonjour, Hello

The Calgary Board of Education acknowledges the traditional territories and oral practices of the Treaty 7 Nations, including the Siksikaitsitapi, comprised of the Siksika, the Kainai, the Piikani, and the Amskapi Piikani Nations. We acknowledge the Tsuut'ina Nation, the Iyârhe Nakoda, comprised of the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Goodstoney Nations, the Métis Nation within Alberta, and all people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of southern Alberta.

This land on which we gather is traditionally known as Moh'kinstsis (Blackfoot), Guts'ists'i (Tsuut'ina), Wichispa (Nakoda), and otôskwanihk (Northern Michif & Cree).

As a learning organization, we are committed to advancing the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action focused on Education for Reconciliation.

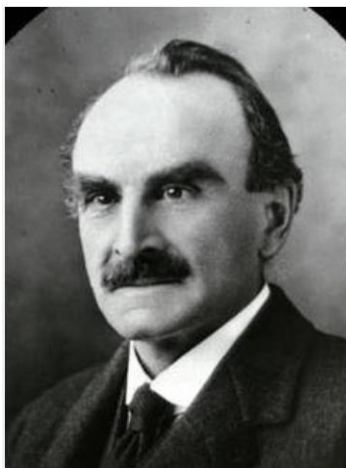
Administrative Council



- **Grade 7 Learning Leader**
 - Silene Hatler
- **Grade 8/Humanities Learning Leader**
 - Tammy Moore
- **Grade 9/Math/Science Learning Leader**
 - Devin Reid
- **Student Services Learning Leader**
 - Roxanne Simmons
- **English as an Additional Language Learning Leader**
 - Barb Frank
- **Physical Education/Well-Being Learning Leader**
 - Jace Richards
- **Spanish Bilingual Learning Leader**
 - Cristina Hernandez



Who is A.E. Cross?



- Born in 1861 in Montreal, Quebec
- Moved to Alberta in 1884 to be a rancher – A7 Rancho near Nanton
- In 1891, he established the first brewery in what was then called the Northwest Territories (Calgary Brewing and Malting Company)
- Founding member of the Ranchman's club
- Became MLA of East Calgary in 1898
- In 1912 – Mr. Cross along with Patrick Burns, George Lane and Archie McLean (The Big Four) financed the first Calgary Stampede
- Cross House in Inglewood is now Rouge restaurant



A.E. Cross School Information

- About 600 students
- Spanish Bilingual Program (65 students)
- Paced Learning Program (30 Students)
- Diverse Learning Community
 - 59 different home countries
 - 39 different home languages





Bell Schedule Information 2024-2025

- 9:10 AM – 3:50 PM (Lunch is from 12:07 – 12:48)
- 9:15 AM start time in 2025-2026
- 6 period day
 - 2 periods of Humanities
 - 2 periods of Math/Science
 - 1 period of Physical Education
 - 1 period of Complementary Course
- Day A and Day B – provides students with the ability to have 2 options each semester (Semester changes on January 28, 2025)
 - Spanish Bilingual Students will take Spanish Language Arts as one of their option classes
- Mondays and Wednesdays are Day A
- Tuesdays and Thursdays are Day B – tumbling occurs so that students do not always have the same classes at the beginning or the end of the day
- Fridays – RTI Block (35 minutes in length) – will evolve throughout the year – began in homerooms learning about various topics – moved to specific literacy and numeracy skills within the block



Sample Grade 7 Timetable for Students

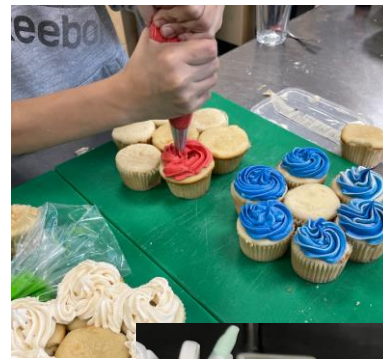
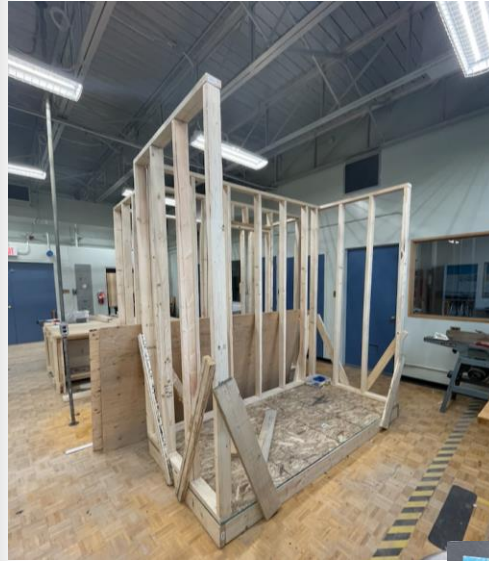
	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	Period 6
Semester 1						
Day A	Phys Ed	Complementary Course	Math/Science	Math/Science	Humanities (ELA/Social)	Humanities (ELA/Social)
Day B	Phys Ed	Complementary Course	Math/Science	Math/Science	Humanities (ELA/Social)	Humanities (ELA/Social)
Semester 2						
Day A	Phys Ed	Complementary Course	Math/Science	Math/Science	Humanities (ELA/Social)	Humanities (ELA/Social)
Day B	Phys Ed	Complementary Course	Math/Science	Math/Science	Humanities (ELA/Social)	Humanities (ELA/Social)



Complementary Courses (2024-2025)

- The following list is subject to change for 2024-2025 and will be dependent on staff resources and student interest:
 - Art
 - Band
 - CTF Communication Technology
 - CTF Construction
 - CTF Design Studies
 - CTF Fashion Studies
 - CTF Foods
 - Environmental and Outdoor Education
 - Leadership
 - Performing Arts
 - Photography
 - Spanish Language and Culture
 - Training for Excellence in Sport

CTF Courses





Instrumental Music (Band)

- No musical experience necessary
- Performances and festivals around Alberta
- Great community to be a part of at A.E. Cross



Ways for Students to Be Involved

- **Athletics**

- Cross Country – September
- Soccer – September to October
- Basketball – September to November
- Wrestling – November to January
- Volleyball – January to March
- Badminton – April to May
- Track and Field – May to June



Colts Athletics





Ways for Students to Be Involved

Clubs

- Games Club
- Chess Club
- A.E. Con
- Strength and Conditioning Club
- Movie Monday
- Art Club
- Math and Science Club
- Principal's Advisory Council
- Construction Club
- Lego Club
- Bike Club
- Pokemon Club
- GSA (Gay-Straight Alliance)
- Outdoor Education Club
- Dungeons and Dragons Club
- City of Calgary LEAD Program
- Spanish Club
- Book Club
- E-Sports Club



Spanish Bilingual Program

- Celebrating Spanish throughout the school!



Ronda 1: Del 23 al 26 de febrero



¡Escanea el código QR para votar por tu canción favorita!

Scan the QR code to vote for your favourite song!

"Bonita"
Daddy Yankee

"Amor Con Hielo"
Morat





Ways for Parents to Be Involved...

- School Council
 - Table set up in the main foyer
- Always looking for people to join in a variety of different roles
- Casino – June 10 and 11 – looking for volunteers – see posters in main foyer



Complementary Course Selection Process

- Forms will be distributed by your classroom teachers
- Return the form, signed by your grown up, with your Top 6 requests **by APRIL 25**
- Form is also posted on our website and extras available tonight



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2024-2025

Grade 7 Complementary Course Request Form

Please indicate your complementary course selections by placing a check mark ☒ and a preference ranking (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th), in 6 of the requested boxes. The purpose of complementary courses is to allow students to explore interests, passions, and possible career opportunities. If enrollment for a course is not high enough, the course will not be offered. You will be enrolled in 4 complementary courses in total, 2 courses each semester. Please sign and return to your Grade 6 teacher by April 30th, 2024.

Requested	Complementary Course Name	Complementary Course Descriptions	Descriptions
	Art	Students will gain exposure to and experience in a variety of mediums. Students will learn some principles of art such as perspective, balance, contrast, pattern, rhythm, unity and repetition. They will also use hand building pottery methods such as coil, pinch pot, slab, and additive and subtractive methods. This is a very hands-on class. Students will explore possible career opportunities. Fee \$30*	
	Instrumental Music (Band) – Full Year Course	Students will have the opportunity to play a brass or woodwind instrument (saxophone, French horn, baritone, tuba, or a flute, clarinet, oboe, and bassoon). Students will focus on proper playing positions, skill development, and basic musical concepts. There will be a variety of performance opportunities and trips throughout the year such as festivals and concerts band camp. Students will explore possible career opportunities. If you select Band then you will automatically receive Band as a complementary course. You will take 3 complementary courses in total since Band will run the full year (both semesters). Instrumental rental fee \$150.	Students learn how to safely use these skills when machine sewing due to create various other projects based opportunities.
	CTP Communication Technology	Students will have the opportunity to discover and develop skills using digital technologies. Students will develop understanding of the issues, tools, and opportunities that arise when we use digital technology to communicate our ideas with others. Topics include: digital citizenship and your online presence, privacy, security, and responsible decision making, digital media and design, communicating with purpose, principles of layout and design, Adobe Spark/Canva and other design software, photo editing, coding, using Google Docs, Slides, and Sheets to create and communicate, emerging technologies and animations. Students will explore possible career opportunities.	repairs a variety of basic screws, drives belts, Students will learn to read 1 food, and the importance of safe and precise of meal planning, preparation.
	CTP Construction	Students explore a variety of trades-based skills. Students design and build projects, using a combination of tools and machines. Students will work as a team to build rooms and structures and learn about industry leading software for CNC machining and tooling. The construction program offers a window into the world of hands-on opportunities for a variety of a demand roles in possible future careers. Approximate Fee \$40	sign to develop the foundational skills activities. Through these skills we will learn necessary for successfully 3 leadership initiatives. Students will
	CTP Design Studies	Students will learn about the creative process and technical skills for the development of projects in architecture, engineering, and graphic design. Join a team and learn about the design process. Learn how to look at an engineering challenge, design a possible solution, and then how to build your design. Finally, students will test the project to determine if it works effectively. Students will explore possible career opportunities. Fee \$20*	variant and speaking as well as learn 3 for students express their emotions this career opportunities.

Environmental and Outdoor Education	<p>demonstrates a commitment to, a high standard of academic, sport, and lifestyle achievement.</p> <p>This course will introduce students to investigating a variety of scientific strategies that focus contact with the natural world. Students will be doing activities that will focus on leadership and working in groups in a variety of environmental settings. Some activities may include team building, shelter building, techniques for being able to be adaptable to the various weather patterns of Calgary.</p> <p>Approximate Fee \$50.</p>
CTP Communication Technology Through Photography	<p>In this course students will be presented many opportunities to discover and enhance their skills in photography through communication technology. developing technical skills in the use of cameras, creating and editing the principles of composition and design, developing image manipulation skills to create aesthetically satisfying pictures and exploring various occupations available in the ever-evolving field of photography.</p>

Parent's / Guardian's Name _____

Parent's / Guardian's Signature _____

Student's Name _____ Current School _____

(Please print first and last name clearly)

*Fees subject to change as we prepare for the 2024-2025 school year.



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