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Colts' Community Chronicle | May 12 to May 16

Important Dates

May 15

Healthy Hunger

May 16

Non-Instructional Day

May 17 - May 22

SEAS Sailing Trip

May 19

Victoria Day – No School

FRIDAY SCHEDULE (May 16)

Non-Instructional Day

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](#)

Athletic Authorization forms MUST be submitted to the students PE teacher to tryout for any sports team.

There are fees associated with each athletic team. These fees cover the cost of refs, rentals, equipment maintenance and team celebrations. Fees will be added to the students MyCBE account once the season begins.

Physical Education

Please remember to send appropriate footwear to school with your child. With the warm weather, the PE team has noticed a lot of sandals, Uggs, crocs, etc. This type of footwear is unsafe for the PE environment. For liability reasons, our PE staff will not allow students to participate in PE if they are wearing this type of footwear. If you have any further questions, please contact your child's Physical Education teacher.

Colts' Badminton

Badminton season is underway! Congrats to all the students selected to represent A.E. Cross this season. Practices are as follows:

- Grade 7 Badminton Practice – Tuesday, May 13 – 4:00 – 5:15 pm

Please make sure your child has a ride ready for pickup at the end of their practice so our coaches can get home to their families as soon as possible following the evening practice.

- Grade 9 Competitions – Wednesday, May 7 and Monday, May 12
- Grade 8 Competitions – Tuesday, May 13 and Wednesday, May 14
- Grade 7 Competitions – Tuesday, May 20 and Wednesday, May 21
 - Night 1 of competition is for Singles and Mixed Doubles players
 - Night 2 of competition is for Doubles players
- These competitions take place at Vincent Massey School (939 45 Street SW) and begin promptly at 4:30 pm. Students will be released from class at 3:40 pm on the day of their competition to make their way to Vincent Massey.

If you have any further questions please contact Randy Lewis at rglewis@cbe.ab.ca

END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

Grade 9 Field Trip to Activate Calgary

Grade 9 students have an exciting opportunity to attend a field trip to **Activate Calgary**, the world's first active gaming facility! At Activate, students will become part of the game—jumping, climbing, problem-solving, and laughing through a variety of high-energy, interactive game rooms that respond in real time. Up to 45 students can participate on the



afternoon of **June 17 or June 18**. Students will depart from school at **12:25 p.m.** on their selected day. Those interested must **sign up in groups of 2–5** for their preferred date. The cost is approximately **\$10 per student**. **Sign-up opens May 12 and closes May 20**—don't miss out on this action-packed adventure!

Grade 8 Field Trip to Splitzville Bowling

Grade 8s are invited to a fun-filled field trip to **Splitzville Bowling**! Come hang out and bowl for **1 hour** with a group of 2–5 friends. If you sign up with a smaller group, don't worry—we'll place you with others to make a full team of 5! This field trip will take place on June 23 and students will be placed in one of three time slots starting at 10:45am.

Cost: Approximately **\$5 per student** (depending on student numbers)

How to join:

Sign up on the sheet posted on **Mr. Wong's office door** between **May 12 and May 23**. After that, the bowling lanes will be locked in and fees will be sent home.

CBE-LEARN OPEN HOUSES

The junior high team will offer three sessions between April and June 2025. These open houses will occur online and will require registration at the website below.

- Open House 3 - June 3 @ 6 pm

Website: <https://cbe-learn.cbe.ab.ca/open-house>

SPANISH BILINGUAL PROGRAM

Grade 9 students from the Spanish Bilingual Program proudly represented AE Cross at the Visual Arts Festival for all CBE Spanish schools, held at the Jubilee Auditorium on May 6th.

Each school shone in its own unique way, and AE Cross reached for the stars with a moving adaptation of the classic *El Quijote* by Miguel de Cervantes.

The audience honored our students with two spontaneous rounds of applause before the final ovation at the end of the performance.

It was a heartfelt display of teamwork, creativity, and generosity.

¡Bravo, estudiantes!

2024-2025 YEARBOOK

The 2024-2025 A.E. School Yearbook is now available to purchase! To order this year's edition of the yearbook, please visit the following website:



GRADE 9 FAREWELL

Last week, Grade 9 students received an information letter from their teacher. The farewell is scheduled for Friday, June 6 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm and students have voted that the theme for this years’ event is “Red Carpet”. This letter will have further details about the event. Parent/Guardian permission forms need to be returned to the school by May 15, 2025. There will be a \$15 fee charged to your child’s My CBE/PowerSchool account. If you have any questions, please contact your child’s homeroom teacher.

GRADE 9 VR EXPERIENCE

The grade 9's are being provided with the opportunity to take part in a high quality Virtual Reality Experience that will take place at A.E. Cross School. This will be related to the Space Exploration Unit.

The cost of the experience is \$25 per student and the payment should be made through Powerschool. Each student who takes part in the experience will get a 70 minute interactive space exploration experience using virtual reality. It will occur on either May 27th, or May 28th.

STUDENT LEARNING SUPPORTS – UPDATED TIMES

A.E. Cross School is happy to provide the following learning supports for students. I would encourage you to remind your children of these opportunities so that they are able to be as successful as possible. All grades are welcome in each of the spaces below.

- Math Help Room – Room 26 (Mr. Reid) – Mondays 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm
- Math Help Room – Room 6 (Mr. Virjee) – Tuesdays 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm
- Math Help Room – Room 28 (Mr. Kerwin) – Wednesdays 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm
- Math/Science Help – Room 33 (Ms. Pham) - Lunchtimes
- Homework Hotel – Learning Commons – Wednesdays – 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm

A.E. CROSS SCHOOL CLUBS LISTINGS

Please note that some clubs have yet to start at this time and that this list is subject to change. If you or your child would like more information about a club, please contact the Teacher Sponsor via email.

Club	Teacher Sponsor	Day/Time/Location
Games Club	Prieto; Horne	Lunch – Second Semester
A.E. Con	Virjee; Simpson	Mondays – Lunch – Room 6
Strength and Conditioning Club	Kerwin; Cancio; Simpson; Hande	Lunch; Monday – After School – Fitness Center
Art Club	Moore; Pollock	Mondays – 4:00 – 5:00 pm – Art Room



STEM Opportunities	Atkinson	Tuesdays – Lunch – Room 20
Principal's Advisory Council	Lewis	Tuesdays – Lunch – Conference Room
Construction Club	Ford	TBD – Second Semester
Lego Club	Shumay	Wednesdays – Lunch – Learning Commons
Pokemon Club	Tyrrell	Wednesdays – Lunch – Room 33
GSA	Simmons; Moore; Tice	Thursdays – Lunch – Room 35
Outdoor Education Club	Minions	Tuesdays – Lunch – TBD
Dungeons and Dragons Club	Virjee	Thursday – After School – Room 6
Spanish Club	Hernandez	Tuesdays – Lunch – Room 24
Baking Club	Simmons; Shumay	Once a month – Foods Room
Guitar Club	Reid	Weekly – Drama Room
Yearbook	Anderson; Moore	Wednesday
Art with Thread	Hernandez	Lunch – Room 24
Homework Hotel	Hatler; Shumay	Wednesdays – After school – Learning Commons
Math Club	Virjee	Tuesdays – After School – Room 6
Chess Club	Cancio	Tuesdays – Lunch – Room 30
Jazz Band/Orchestra	Rattan	Mondays – after school – Drama Room
Book Club	Anderson; Howse	Mondays – lunch – TBD
Thermopylae	MacRae	April and May
Movie Club	Richards	TBD
Creative Writing Club	Minions	Tuesdays – Lunch – Room 25

STUDENT FEES

Student fees for Semester 2 complementary courses have 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 (complementary courses, extra-curricular activities and field trips) while at A.E. Cross School.

To access MyCBE/PowerSchool for fee payment, please click on the following link: <https://sis.cbe.ab.ca/public/home.html>

If you require support to pay student fees, please click the following link: <https://cbe.ab.ca/support/Pages/MyCBE-PowerSchool-Student-Fees-Registration.aspx>

If you have additional questions about the payment of student fees, we encourage you to contact the main office for assistance!



Thank you for your attention to this!
Calgary Board
of Education

2025 PROVINCIAL ACHIEVEMENT TEST DATES

The dates for the 2025 Provincial Achievement Tests have been released by Alberta Education. Attached to this message is letter to parents explaining the Provincial Achievement Test program for students. Below is the 2025 PAT schedule:

- Thursday, May 29 – English Language Arts (Part A – Written Response)
- Friday, June 13 – Mathematics (Part A)
- Monday, June 16 – English Language Arts (Part B – Reading Comprehension)
- Tuesday, June 17 – Mathematics (Part B)
- Wednesday, June 18 – Social Studies
- Thursday, June 19 - Science

CALGARY BRIDGE FOUNDATION FOR YOUTH

We are pleased to have a partnership with the [Calgary Bridge Foundation for Youth \(CBFY\)](#). They are able to offer many supports for students and families that are 1st or 2nd generation Canadians, a Permanent Resident, Refugee, or holding a Temporary Worker visa.

Settlement Worker:

We have access to a Settlement Worker at school every Monday beginning Monday October 28. They are available to meet with parents, or students, and can make connections to many community supports and resources. Their goal is to assist with the adjustment to life in Canada. Conversations can be held in many languages. Just let us know what you will need.

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.



WITH PARENTAL PERMISSION, students are able to leave campus for lunch time.

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. Ms. Wiseman and Mr. Lewis visited all businesses around the school to introduce ourselves and the businesses will contact us if there is something that we need to follow up on.

- **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 (10:45 AM – 11:00 AM) so please ensure that they come to school with a snack.

Only drink containers with a screw-top lid are allowed in the school. Drink containers such as slurpee cups, bubble tea containers, coffee cups with a plastic lid and open cans of pop are not allowed in the school due to an increased risk of spillage.

HEALTHY HUNGER

Please see attachments to see how you go about setting up your healthy hunger account for the new school year.

Future Healthy Hunger/fun lunch dates are listed below:

- May 15, 2025 – Cobs Bread (Treat Day)
- May 28, 2025 – Boston Pizza
- June 20, 2025 – Booster Juice (Treat Day)

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Thank you to all of the families who came out to our School Council meeting on Thursday, April 10. Our next school council meeting will take place on Thursday, May 15 at 7:00pm. This meeting will be in person in the A.E. Cross Learning Commons.

Please consider signing up as a volunteer for the next Casino Fundraiser.

Dates: **Tuesday, June 10th & Wednesday, June 11th, 2025**

Location: **Pure Casino Calgary (1420 Meridian Rd NE)**

Sign Up Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C48AEAE23A5F85-54424419-aecross#/>



VOLUNTEERING AT A.E. CROSS

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

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.

