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Colts' Community Chronicle | June 17 – June 21

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Last Day of School
(1:00 pm dismissal)

FRIDAY SCHEDULE (June 21)

Day A (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 jarichards@cbe.ab.ca.

Track and Field

Congratulations to all student athletes who represented A.E. Cross at the divisional track and field meet on Friday, June 14. Thank you as well to the parent volunteers who accompanied our students to Foothills Athletic Park. Finally, thank you to the multitude of coaches that worked with our student athletes over the past few weeks in preparation for the event.

Thermopylae

Thank you to all students who participated in the Thermopylae race on Tuesday, June 4. What a fantastic event to showcase your athleticism, determination and hard work. A big thank you goes out to Mr. MacRae, Mr. Richards and Mr. Cancio for their support of that event.

Grade 9 students who have registered for the bowling field trip on June 26th; The fees have been added to your MyCBE account. Please make the payment by June 18th 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:

- Tuesday, June 18 – Grade 9 Mathematics Part B
- Wednesday, June 19 – Grade 9 Social Studies
- Thursday, June 20 – Grade 9 Science



Expectations of students for these tests have been talked about in class. They include:

- Being on time for the start of the exam to get settled and prepared to write
- No notes in any form, papers, informal dictionaries, electronic dictionaries or books relating to a PAT may be brought into the PAT writing room or used by a student unless expressly permitted to do so by PAT administration instructions
- Students may not bring into the PAT writing room any cellphones, wearable technology, Bluetooth devices or other electronic devices
- **CELL PHONES ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE WRITING ROOM DURING PROVINCIAL TESTS**
- Students may not enter or leave the PAT writing room without the consent of the supervising teacher. Students who must leave the PAT writing room for an unscheduled break while the PAT administration is underway must be accompanied by an available supervisor or other teacher.

Parents, please note that there are regular classes for ALL students during the afternoon of the Provincial Achievement Tests (June 18, June 19, June 20).

Additionally, Grade 7 and Grade 8 students will be participating in end of year assessments while Grade 9 students are writing their provincial achievement tests from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM.

- Tuesday, June 18 – Mathematics
- Wednesday, June 19 – Social Studies
- Thursday, June 20 - 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!

HEALTHY HUNGER

Families can set up their orders through the Healthy Hunger website (<https://healthyhunger.ca/>). 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 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. **All library books are due JUNE 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

Thank you to all parents who attended the School Council and Parents' Association Annual General Meeting last week. We appreciate all of the support shown by parents to the school and student learning.

Additionally, many of the events at A.E. Cross would not be able to occur without the generous support of parent volunteers. We really appreciate the time put in by parents to support student activities around the school!

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

June 25th is A.E. Cross SPORTS DAY! We are looking for volunteers to help run the stations and coolers to store freezies! Please sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C48AEAE23A5F85-50000364-ae>



Parent volunteers to provide food for Staff Appreciation Lunch: SAVE THE DATE (June 27th) - To thank the A.E. Cross staff we are planning a potluck lunch (provided by families) on the last day of classes (June 27th). A sign up link will be coming soon - please watch for this and sign up if you can help! If you would like to help organize this please email aecrosscouncil@gmail.com.

Thanks so much to all of the parent volunteers who contributed to the wonderful things that happened at A.E. Cross during 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 aecrosscouncil@gmail.com. We have volunteers offering to fill executive (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 for 2024/25 school year (no experience needed!):

Executive (Council/AECPA):

- **Secretary:** prepare agendas, document meeting minutes, general communication.

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 liaison between the School Council and the Music Parent's Association.
 - **Spanish Liaison:** Support and advocate for the students in the Spanish program and act as liaison 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 events.
 - **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 liaise with administration on school communications.
 - **Grade 9 Farewell Committee Coordinator(s):** Liaise with school to support organization of Grade 9 Farewell to be held in June 2025.



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.

