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Colts' Community Chronicle | Feb. 3 to Feb. 7

Important Dates

February 5

Winter Band Concert – 6:00 pm

February 11

Grade 9 Farewell Photos

February 12

Healthy Hunger

February 13 and 14

Teachers' Convention – No School

February 17

Family Day – No School

FRIDAY SCHEDULE (Feb. 7)

Day B (Periods 2-RT1-4-6)

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](#)

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

The expectations for our PE classes are that students will change their tops and bottoms as well as footwear if it is unsafe (sandal, crocs, high heels, boots, etc.). Please send appropriate active wear to school with your students. Students have access to their own gym locker where they can leave their gym clothes for the week before taking them home over the weekend. This expectation is to teach students how to be healthy and hygienic.

Colts' Wrestling

Thank you all wrestlers for representing AEC with pride. We hope everyone had an enjoyable season. Guardians, please pay the wrestling fee using your MyCBE account.

Colts' Volleyball

AEC volleyball teams had a fantastic week of games. There are no season games scheduled for next week, just regular practices. The Sr. Boys and Sr. Girls will play an exhibition against Vincent Massey after school on Friday. The Sr. Boys will be at AEC and the girls will play at Vincent Massey.

Spectators

Please remember that student spectators are only allowed to spectate the first game of the night at AEC. If they wish to stay for the other games they must be supervised by **their own guardians**. Students are not allowed to spectate away games unless supervised by **their own guardians**. Parents, we ask that you support us with the rule by accompanying your child to the games or telling the child that they can not attend that particular game. The teacher and admin supervisors at AEC truly appreciate your support.

If you have any further questions please contact Jace Richards at jarichards@cbe.ab.ca

SEMESTER 2 INFORMATION

The start of semester two on Tuesday is a great time to restock on school supplies for your child! Many students are coming to class with no lined paper or pencils. Also, glue



sticks and pencil sharpeners are in hot demand. Please talk to your child and see what they need to feel ready to tackle this next half of the school year prepared and equipped to learn.

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:

[A.E. Cross School Yearbook Ordering LINK](#)

STUDENT LEARNING SUPPORTS

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
- Homework Hotel – Learning Commons – Wednesdays – 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm
- Math Help Room – Room 33 (Mr. Tyrrell) – Tuesdays and Thursdays at Lunch

A.E. CROSS SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM

Please join the A.E. Cross School community in an evening of music on Wednesday, February 5 as our band program will fill our gymnasium with sound in the Winter Band Concert. The concert will kick off at 6:00 pm. We hope to see you there!

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
Bike Club	MacRae; Richards; Cancio; Tice; Kerwin	Wednesdays – 4:00 – 6:00 pm
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
Chew and Chat	Simmons; Howse; Moore; Mellish; Kunze; Neill	Fridays – 7:30 – 9:00 am
Art with Thread	Hernandez	Lunch – Room 24
Homework Hotel	Hatler; Shumay	TBD – 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 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!

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:

- February 12, 2025 – A & W
- March 5, 2025 – Subway
- March 20, 2025 – Cobs Bread (Treat Day)
- ~~April 17, 2025 – Mr. Pretzel's (Treat Day)~~
 - Due to changes in the restaurant, we have had to cancel the Treat Day on April 17 from Mr. Pretzel's. All orders that were placed have been credited to your Healthy Hunger account for you to use in a future order.
- April 30, 2025 – Edo
- 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 parents who attended our School Council Meeting on Thursday January 16. Our next School Council meeting will take place on Thursday, February 20 at 7:00 pm via Microsoft Teams.

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.

