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Colts' Community Chronicle | May 6 – May 10

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FRIDAY SCHEDULE (May 17)

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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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.

Colts Badminton

- Grade 7 Badminton Competitions
 - Tuesday, May 14 and Wednesday, May 15 at Vincent Massey
- Grade 8 Badminton competed at Vincent Massey on Monday, May 6 and Thursday, May 9. Congratulations to all student athletes who represented A.E. Cross School with pride! Thank you to Mr. Richards for contributing his time and effort with our Colts!
- Grade 9 Badminton competed at Vincent Massey on Wednesday, May 1 and Thursday, May 2. Congratulations to all student athletes who represented A.E. Cross School with pride! Thank you to Ms. Neill and Mr. Robertson for contributing their time and effort with our Colts!

Colts Track and Field

- Track and Field Season starts on May 21st. The date for our school's track and field competition in June 14th.

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!

Here are a couple of reminders for Grade 9 students leading into the PAT on Monday:

- Students are recommended to have a full bottle of water and a snack with them during the writing time.
- Students must keep their phones in their lockers. Phones must not be connected to the school wifi to prevent strains in the system as PATs are written online.



- Students are encouraged to take a novel to the writing room to read if they finish before the allotted time.
- Students using the allotted extra time will remain in the room or will move to another one to continue their exam.
- Students' regular schedule will resume for the afternoon as PATs are written in the morning.
- Students in need of a washroom break will be escorted to the washroom.

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

- Monday, May 13 – Grade 9 English Language Arts Part B (Writing)
- 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

2023/2024 YEARBOOK

We are extremely pleased that we will be offering the A.E. Cross School Community an opportunity to purchase a yearbook for the first time since 2020!

The 2023-2024 will cost \$25.00 and the link to order a yearbook directly through Jostens can be found below:

[2023-2024 A.E. Cross Yearbook Ordering LINK](#)

GET YOURS TODAY! THE DEADLINE TO ORDER A YEARBOOK IS MAY 31ST!

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 Bilingual Inter-School Fine Arts Gala – Que Pasa?

The schools from the Spanish Language Programs at CBE met on Tuesday 7th at the Jubilee Auditorium to celebrate the cultures and traditions of the Spanish speaking countries and the personal and academic growth in our students.



AE Cross was represented by the Grade 8 and 9 Band and the students in Grade 9 whose performance added a very unique piece to the contributions of the Spanish Bilingual Schools at ¿Qué pasa?.

We would like to say thank you to every student, parent and Parent Council for their support as we are all extremely proud of our representatives.

If you would like to watch the performance, please use the link below:

[Que Pasa 2024 Performance](#)

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

CALGARY BRIDGE FOUNDATION FOR YOUTH

Our NxtGen Program is up and running and could still use a few more members. The program is designed for newcomers to Canada to build community within the school. The program runs on Thursdays from 11:45 to 12:45 in the Drama Room at A.E. Cross. If your child is interested in joining the program, please have them get a consent form from the main office.

FAIR ENTRY CALGARY

Fair Entry is an application process for subsidized City of Calgary programs and services. This process will assess your income eligibility for multiple City programs with a single application. Just recently, High-Speed Low-Cost Internet and other telecom services have been added to the list of services available through Fair Entry.

For more information about Fair Entry, please visit the following website:

<https://fairentry.calgary.ca/>

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 event ends.

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

Kind regards,

Ms. L. Pollock

lpollock@cbe.ab.ca

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:

- May 16, 2024 – Mucho Burrito
- 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.

LEAD PROGRAM CLOTHING DRIVE

The City of Calgary Leadership Program that runs at A.E. Cross every Monday and Wednesday from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm is concluding shortly. They are holding a school-wide year-end clothing drive. If you have some gently used clothing that you would like to donate for this event, please have your child bring the clothes by the main office. Thank you for your support.

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

Dear A.E. Cross Parents & Guardians:

You are invited to attend the next A. E. Cross School Council and A. E. Cross Parents' Association (AECPA) meetings in person on **Thursday, May 16th**. School Council meeting will begin at **7pm** with the Parents' Association meeting directly following.

Meetings will be held in person at A.E. Cross School - upstairs in the Learning Commons

We hope to see you on Thursday, May 16th at 7pm at the school! Please find the agenda attached.

*We are looking for two volunteer to assist with **auditing the financial statements** in early June 2024 (does not need to be an accountant). Please email: aecrosscouncil@gmail.com if you can help. Thank you!!!*

We are running a **fundraising campaign** through **Go Fund Me** to raise money for the Chew and Chat Breakfast program as well as to assist with Courtyard Revitalizations. Please use the following link to access the current campaign or pass it on to others you know. Tax receipts will be issued and your donation may be eligible for corporate matching:

<https://gofund.me/a40e997e>

Save the Date for the Annual General Meeting (AGM): Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 7pm (In Person). We hope you can join us for the meeting!

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.

If you have questions, ideas, or need to reach us in the meantime, please email aecrosscouncil@gmail.com.

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>

Thank you to those of you who joined our school council meeting on April 23, 2024. We are always grateful for your support. At the meeting, we shared the results of our school planning survey conducted between March 1 and March 31, 2024. The results of that survey are below:

[School Planning Survey Results](#)



If you have questions, ideas, or need to reach us in the meantime, please email aecrosscouncil@gmail.com.

A. E. Cross School Council and Parents' Association

Additional meeting dates will be at 7pm on the following dates. Watch your email for meeting invitations which will include agendas and meeting location (in person or virtual) the week prior to the meeting.

- May 16th
- AGM – June 13th

SCHOOL FORMS

There are a variety of different forms that parents are asked to complete each school year. The completion of these forms has been moved online to SchoolEngage. The following forms can be completed via SchoolEngage:

- Demographic Verification Form
- Annual Authorization Form, which includes:
 - School District Use of Personal Information
 - Consent for CBE Use of Student Information
 - Consent for Use of Student Information by News Media and Outside Groups (Third Party)

SchoolEngage can be accessed through the following link: [SchoolEngage](#)

Should you need any of the above forms printed for you, please contact the main office.

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.

