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Colts' Community Chronicle | Sept. 16 – Sept. 20

Important Dates

Thursday, September 19

School Council Meeting – 7:00pm
in Learning Commons

Thursday, September 26

Recognition of Orange Shirt Day

Friday, September 27

Non-Instructional Day

Monday, September 30

National Day of Truth and
Reconciliation – No School

FRIDAY SCHEDULE (Sept. 20)

DAY B Periods 1, 3, 5

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.

Cross Country

- Practices are scheduled for Mondays and Wednesdays at lunchtime
- Meet #2 – Tuesday, September 17 at North Glenmore Park
- Meet #3 – Monday, September 23 at North Glenmore Park

Boys and Girls Soccer

- Tryouts and Practices will occur on the A.E. Cross School Field

Colts' Basketball

- Girls' Tryouts
 - Monday, September 9 – 4:00 to 5:15 pm (Main Gym)
 - Wednesday, September 11 – 4:00 to 5:15 pm (Main Gym)
- Boys' Tryouts
 - Tuesday, September 10 – 4:00 to 5:15 pm (Main Gym)
 - Thursday, September 12 – 4:00 to 5:00 pm (Main Gym)

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



BELL SCHEDULE 2024-2025

AE Cross Bell Schedule 2024-2025														
Monday - Day A			Tuesday - Day B			Wednesday - Day A			Thursday - Day B			Friday - Day A/Day B		
Halls Open	9:00 am		Halls Open	9:00 am		Halls Open	9:00 am		Halls Open	9:00 am		Halls Open	9:00 am	
Warning Bell	9:05 am		Warning Bell	9:05 am		Warning Bell	9:05 am		Warning Bell	9:05 am		Warning Bell	9:05 am	
Period 1	9:10 - 10:07 am	57 min	Period 3	9:10 - 10:07 am	57 min	Period 5	9:10 - 10:07 am	57 min	Period 1	9:10 - 10:07 am	57 min	Class	9:10 - 10:07 am	57 min
Period 2	10:10 - 11:07 am	57 min	Period 4	10:10 - 11:07 am	57 min	Period 6	10:10 - 11:07 am	57 min	Period 2	10:10 - 11:07 am	57 min	RTI Block	10:10 - 10:45 am	35 min
Period 3	11:10-12:07 pm	57 min	Period 5	11:10-12:07 pm	57 min	Period 1	11:10-12:07 pm	57 min	Period 3	11:10-12:07 pm	57 min	Nutrition Break	10:45 - 11:00 am	15 min
Lunch Break	12:07 - 12:50 pm	43 min	Lunch Break	12:07 - 12:50 pm	43 min	Lunch Break	12:07 - 12:50 pm	40 min	Lunch Break	12:07 - 12:50 pm	43 min	Class	11:03 - 12:00 pm	57 min
Warning Bell	12:48 pm		Warning Bell	12:48 pm		Warning Bell	12:48 pm		Warning Bell	12:48 pm		Class	12:03 - 1:00 pm	57 min
Period 4	12:53 - 1:50 pm	57 min	Period 6	12:53 - 1:50 pm	57 min	Period 2	12:53 - 1:50 pm	57 min	Period 4	12:53 - 1:50 pm	57 min	Clear Halls	1:10 pm	
Period 5	1:53 pm - 2:50 pm	57 min	Period 1	1:53 pm - 2:50 pm	57 min	Period 3	1:53 pm - 2:50 pm	57 min	Period 5	1:53 pm - 2:50 pm	57 min	Alternating Friday Schedule of Classes: Day A 135 Day A 246 Day B 135 Day B 246		
Period 6	2:53 pm - 3:50 pm	57 min	Period 2	2:53 pm - 3:50 pm	57 min	Period 4	2:53 pm - 3:50 pm	57 min	Period 6	2:53 pm - 3:50 pm	57 min			
Clear Halls	4:00 PM		Clear Halls	4:00 PM		Clear Halls	4:00 PM		Clear Halls	4:00 PM				

BELL SCHEDULE NOTES

- The above bell schedule will begin on Tuesday, September 3rd
- Mondays and Wednesdays will be Day A and students will attend their Day A options
- Tuesdays and Thursdays will be Day B and students will attend their Day B options
- Fridays have a rotating schedule and will alternate between different classes – this rotation will be posted throughout the school to help students out
- RTI Block (Fridays – 10:10 AM – 10:45 AM)
 - This 35 minute block will evolve throughout the school year to include interventions for students that are struggling academically with certain outcomes
 - However, for the month of September, we will be using this 30 minute block for students to learn and talk with their homeroom teachers about prepared topics including information about the Terry Fox Run and Orange Shirt Day
 - We will explore possible interventions at the beginning of October for this block of time

PHYSICAL EDUCATION INFORMATION

Students as expected to change for Physical Education. Gym strip will be available to purchase or students can bring their own clothes. Students will be given their own gym locker to leave their gym clothes.

A.E. Cross School Apparel

We are thrilled to offer some new items in our apparel store this year. Please use this link to access our school store.

[A.E. Cross School Physical Education Apparel - September 2024 | Big Mountain Activewear | powered by OrderMyGear \(itemorder.com\)](#)



Order your apparel by September 22, and your items will be available for pickup at the school the week of October 28. Mr. Richards will make an announcement to students once all the items have arrive at AEC.

Please send appropriate clothes for the weather as we will be outside until December or the weather hits below -19.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Dear parents,

School pictures are ready!

To order, log in to your account on mylifetouch.ca or create an account using your student's school ID number.

All families can also log on and order a FREE digital Pictures2Protect Card.

More about the Pictures2Protect program [here](#).

Thank you!

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. 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. 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.

EARN A BIKE PROGRAM

Students from AEC are invited to join the earn a bike program offered by Two Wheel View. This is an after-school program open to 15 students. Students will learn how to build and maintain a bike. They will learn bike safety and a bit of history about bicycles. The program will take place Wednesdays from 4-6pm start October 9th and ending on Dec 11. If your child is interested, please send them to Mr. Richards to sign up. First 15 students only!

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:

- September 25, 2024 – A & W
- October 9, 2024 – Edo
- October 24, 2024 – Cobs Bread (Treat Day)
- November 6, 2024 – Subway
- November 27, 2024 – Boston Pizza
- December 19, 2024 – Mr. Pretzel's (Treat Day)
- January 15, 2025 – Inglewood Pizza
- February 12, 2025 – A & W
- March 5, 2025 – Subway
- March 20, 2025 – Cobs Bread (Treat Day)
- April 17, 2025 – Mr. Pretzel's (Treat Day)



- April 30, 2025 – Edo
- May 15, 2025 – Cobs Bread (Treat Day)
- May 28, 2025 – Boston Pizza
- June 20, 2025 – Booster Juice (Treat Day)

JILL OF ALL TRADES

This year, A.E. Cross School is participating in the selection process for students to attend the Jill of All Trades event. This one-day event is designed to inspire young women in Grades 8 and 9 to explore the opportunities and benefits of pursuing a career in skilled trades and technologies.

An informational meeting for interested students will be held next Wednesday at lunchtime in Room 40 to discuss the event in detail.

LEGO CLUB

LEGO club will take place Wednesdays at lunch beginning in October. If parents have any LEGO they would like to donate to the lunch time club, please send it to the school with your child and have them drop it off in room 19 with Mrs. Shumay.

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY MATH NITE

During the university's fall and winter terms, enthusiastic mathematics professors and students from the University of Calgary offer monthly informal math sessions. These sessions are intended for students who enjoy mathematics and want to explore it beyond the school curriculum. The sessions take place at the University of Calgary on the first Wednesday of every month from 6 to 8 pm.

For students interested in attending, an informational meeting will be held next Thursday at lunchtime in Room 27.

PRINCIPAL'S ADVISORY COUNCIL

What is the Principal Advisory Council?

The Principal Advisory Council is a group of students in grades 7, 8 and 9 who meet once a month to advise me, your principal, on various issues relating to A.E. Cross School. At times, students might be invited to present at a staff meeting or a department meeting.

As your principal, I wish to hear a wide range of student voice. **ALL STUDENTS ARE WELCOME.**

Applications for the Principal Advisory Council are available at the main office or you can find a copy of the application attached to this message. Please fill out the application by Monday, September 16, 2024 at 4:00 pm. The list of students selected for the Principal Advisory Council will be posted by the main office on Wednesday, September 18, 2024.





SCHOOL COUNCIL

You are invited to attend the next A. E. Cross School Council and A. E. Cross Parents' Association (AECPA) meetings on Thursday, September 19th. 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 there!

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Do you have skills and time to share with the School Council or the Parent's Association this year? We welcome anyone interested in an informal or formal role to email us at aecrosscouncil@gmail.com. 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 (no experience needed!):

Executive (Council/AECPA):

- **SECRETARY:** Work with executive team, prepare agendas, attend meetings, document meeting minutes, general communication. Templates are all set up and you would be supported by the outgoing Secretary. *Please join us; this role is very important!*

Council Liaisons & Committee Coordinators:

- **Council of School Councils (COSC) Liaison:** Attend COSC meetings and provide update on key items to at the general meetings.
- **Spanish Liasion:** Support and advocate for the students in the Spanish program and act as liasion 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.
- **Special Speaker Coordinator:** Research and coordinate speakers and/or resources for parents.
- **Grade 9 Farewell Committee Members:** Work with committee and teacher in charge to support organization of Grade 9 Farewell and/or Grade 9 Spanish Ceremony to be held in June 2025.

Please reach out to the email below or attend the meeting next week if you are interested in any of the above roles or would like more information. Thank you in advance for your time!

A. E. Cross School Council and Parents' Association Executive

aecrosscouncil@gmail.com

<https://aecross.cbe.ab.ca/school-council>

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY

Chinook Learning Services offers courses specifically designed for parents and caregivers of CBE Spanish Bilingual students. For Fall 2024, Chinook Learning Services is offering **Spanish for Parents – Level 1** classes at three locations: [Canyon Meadows School](#), [Dalhousie School](#), and [Eugene Coste School](#). This eight-week course will help parents of bilingual students learn or refresh their Spanish language skills, build their network of bilingual parents, and support their children's learning at home.

This course would also be beneficial for any Support Staff who are interested in learning along with parents!

Here is the link on the Chinook Learning Services website: [Spanish for Spanish - Level 1](#)
Here is the link for the course content: [Course Outline - Spanish for Parents - Level 1](#)

SCHOOL FORMS

Each year, schools have a variety of forms that parents / legal guardians are required to complete or review and update, some of which are paper and others online. In CBE, the forms in an online format (SchoolEngage) are:

- **Demographic Verification - 2024-25** – This form includes your child's personal information as well as parent / legal guardian contact information.
- **Citizenship Information Update - 2024-25** – This form becomes available if you change your child's citizenship information on the Demographic Verification form.
- **Annual Authorization - 2024-25** – Combines the following forms:
- School District Use of Personal Information - explains how CBE uses personal information in providing education services.



- Consent for CBE Use of Student Information – provides an option to grant / not grant consent for additional use of student information by school/district and third parties.
- Consent for Use of Student Information by News Media and Outside Groups (Third Party) - provides an option to grant / not grant consent for additional use of student information by outside groups and third parties

SchoolEngage is one of the applications found in your [MyCBE](#) account. This is the same account that you use to pay fees, view academic information, book school conferences, etc. If you do not have a MyCBE account, on the [MyCBE](#) page click on [Create a MyCBE Account](#). For online help refer, to [MyCBE - Creating an Account](#) (includes instructions and a video).

To complete these forms:

- 1 | sign in to your [MyCBE](#) account
- 2 | click on the SchoolEngage icon
- 3 | select the form
- 4 | complete or review and update the form
- 5 | click on Submit to send the form electronically to the school
- 6 | repeat steps 3-5 for each form

Please submit the Demographic Verification and Annual Authorization forms in SchoolEngage for your child by Monday, September 16. These forms are mandatory every year for Alberta Education to confirm student funding. Thank you for completing them.

If you have any other students with the Calgary Board of Education, you may proceed with completing their forms too.

If you have any questions, please contact [your child's school](#).

We thank those families who have already completed forms for their children.

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.

