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We come to grow each day

En donde crecemos



# Go with God! A Summer Blessing

Go with God! This is a summer prayer for you. Take it with you and keep it in your mind and heart. As you leave school for the summer, and you lay aside textbooks and notebooks and devices and pencils, Go with God, for God goes with you.

As you begin new projects, Or a well deserved family vacation, As you meet and make new friends, go with God, God will guide you.

As you enjoy the summer sun and the summer's cool blue waters, Be wise and safe. Respect the beauty of the earth as God's gift to you, And go with God, for God has created you.

As you go to quite places to reflect and to pray, To enjoy the peace, And the beauty of private space And time off, Go with God, for God always goes with you

> Señora Zelada Principal/Directora

Ms.Coulombe Assistant Principal

#### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If your child will be <u>five years old by December 31<sup>st</sup>,2022</u> then they are eligible to attend kindergarten in the 2022-23 school year. Edmonton Catholic Schools Division (ECSD) only offers online registration.

Go to the online form, create an account, and then fill out all the necessary info. Kindergarten registration began online on <u>January</u> <u>10<sup>th</sup>,2022</u>. We will continue to accept school registrations for kindergarten after this date and throughout the rest of the school year, but you may be waitlisted.

#### To register your child for kindergarten you must have:

- -A completed Registration Form (online)
- A copy of your child's Birth Certificate (uploaded online)
- -A copy of the child's/parent's Baptismal Certificate (uploaded online)
  - -Proof of Residency (Proof that you live in our catchment area)

Confirmation of Registration will <u>NOT</u> occur until we have <u>ALL</u> the required documents.

#### **OVERDUE PAYMENTS**

As the end of the year approaches, please remember to check your child's PowerSchool account to make sure that all fees have been paid. Please make payments @ powerschool.ecsd.net. Also, keep up to date with what is happening at Escuela St. Teresa School by checking out our website or Instagram st\_teresa\_school\_ecsd.

# **CLASS LISTS**

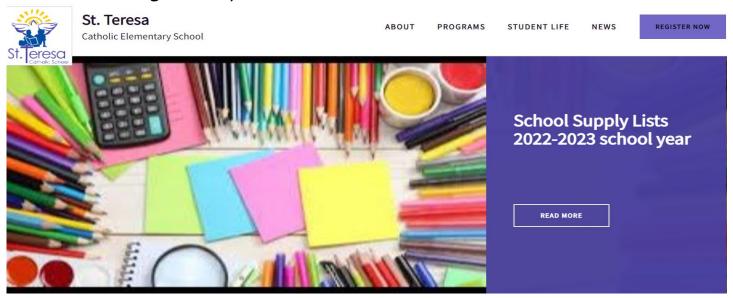
Staffing for next year is in the works. Class lists for the new school year will be created by your child's current teacher. A great deal of time and effort goes into creating a balanced learning group for each class. Teachers take into consideration several criteria: abilities, support, work ethic, behavior, and children with exceptional needs. We will try our best to create a strong and stable learning environment, where every attempt is made to create a positive learning group for all our children.

#### **REPORT CARDS**

Report Cards will be going live at **8:00am on Wednesday, June 29**th. Please sign into your parent PowerSchool account to see your child's report card.

#### SUPPLY LISTS FOR SEPTEMBER

The supply lists for next school year can be found at the St. Teresa school website(https://www.ecsd.net/8051). On the main middle banner click left or right till you see this screen.



Click on "READ MORE" and you will see the classroom lists broken up into each grade. Click on the list of the grade that your child <u>WILL BE</u> going into. School Start is on option to go with or you may print the list and shop as you wish. Please ensure your child/ren have all supplies for the first day of school <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 31<sup>st</sup></u>.

# **NEW FOR BUSSING IN SEPTEMBER!**

For the 2022-2023 school year the Transportation Department will be implementing ZONAR ZPass <u>bus passes and scanners</u> for each regular route. This will aid the Transportation Department in **payment of fees** and let them know if a **student has boarded or not boarded** the school bus, as they **must scan their bus pass as they get on the bus**. There will be a one-time scanner bus pass with the option to pay for the bus monthly or annually. Bus passes will still be \$36.75 per month or \$367.50 annually. (Family Plan will be \$32.00 per month. For Family Plan pricing

you must have 3 or more students in any ECSD school who take the bus).

#### YELLOW BUS SERVICE

Please be advised that if you require set up of yellow bus service for your child for next year, you must register and complete a Transportation Application Form. Forms are available on the district website

#### BELL SCHEDULE FOR 2022-2023

#### **GRADES 1-6 SCHEDULE**

First Bell: 8:10am

First Recess: 10:15am-10:30am Lunch Recess: 11:59am-12:19pm

**Lunch**: 12:20pm-12:40pm

Dismissal: 2:50pm

Thursday Dismissal: 11:30am

#### BELL SCHEDULE FOR 2022-2023 KINDERGARTEN

(So far, we have morning kindergarten only)

# MORNING ENGLISH & SPANISH KINDERGARTEN

Start Time: 8:10 am Dismissal: 11:15am

# MEET THE KINDERGARTEN TEACHER NIGHT (Tentative)

On **Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>** we will be having our **Kindergarten** Meet the Teacher Night. The kindergarten teachers will be having a presentation in the gym followed up by a tour of the kindergarten classrooms.

# MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT FOR GRADE 1 to 6(Tentative)

On **Thursday, September 15**<sup>th</sup> we will be having our Grade 1-6 Meet the Teacher Night.

# YEARBOOK DELIVERY

Yearbooks will be available for those who pre-ordered them, and all current Grade 6's, in the fall. Yearbooks will be distributed sometime in

late September or early October. This allows us to include the entire school year in the book.

# PARENT APPRECIATION MORNING

Thank you to Save-On-Foods Magrath for donating the coffee and water for our Parent Appreciation Morning. Also thank you to the Heritage Safeway for helping pay the cost for the yummy doughnuts.



# STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

The staff of St. Teresa would like to thank all parents for a wonderful year. Thank you for the week of treats that were

dropped off each day. We loved the candles, the doughnuts, the flower seed, the popcorn bar, and the chips and chocolate bars. It was a wonderful week of being spoiled! Thank

you all!



#### GRADE 1s AT FORT EDMONTON



# **GRADE 6 FAREWELL**

Thank you to our amazing Grade 6 Parent Committee who put together a fabulous celebration for our Grade 6s. It was great to have an "regular" Farewell Celebration. So long our wonderful Grade 6s!







#### END OF YEAR FUN IN THE SUN











# Escuela St. Teresa Calendar 2022-2023



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New registrations for the 2023-2024 school year start January 2023 followed by an Open House,

February 9th at 6:30PM

First Day of School

Holidays/Non-Instructional-No S

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Photo Day - October 7

Grade 1-6 Meet The Teacher

Christmas Day

Kindergarten Meet the Teacher

Early Dismissal

Easter Sunday

(Photo Retake Day - November 16)
Demonstration or Learning-November

Shrove Tuesday - Feb. 21
Ash Wednesday - Feb 22nd

Cancellation of Early Dismissal



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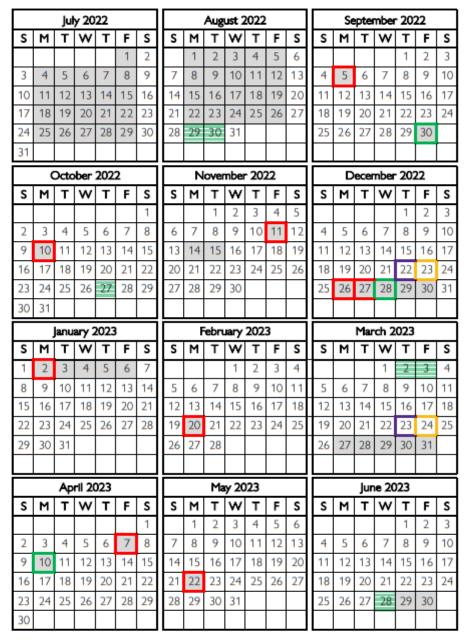
Faith Formation Day October 27th -No School

Demonstration of Learning-March 23 (5:00pm-8:00pm)





# ECSD SCHOOL CALENDAR 2022-2023





First Day of Operation
August 29, 2022
First Day of Instruction
August 31, 2022
Last Day of Instruction
June 27, 2023
Last Day of Operation
June 28, 2023

Labour Day	Sept 5
Truth & Reconciliation Day	Sept 30
Thanksgiving Day	Oct 10
Remembrance Day Wknd	Nov 11-15
Christmas Vacation	Dec 26 to Jan 6
Faith Development Day/PD	Oct 27
Family Day	Feb 20
Teachers' Convention	Mar 2-3
Spring Break	Mar 27 to 31
Good Friday	Apr 7
Easter Monday	Apr 10
Victoria Day	May 22

MONTH	Operational Days	Instructional Days
August	3	1
September	20	20
October	20	19
November	19	19
December	17	17
January	17	17
February	19	19
March	18	16
April	18	18
May	22	22
June	20	19
Total	193	187

	Cancellation of early dismissal
	Early Dismissal
	Statutory Holiday - Office/School Closed
	Named Holiday - Office/School Closed

Non instructional Days

Non-Operational Days



# Summer Starts at EPL 2022 will launch on June 25th and end on August 27th

### What is Summer Starts at EPL?

Summer Starts at EPL is the Edmonton Public Library's annual summer program that helps to minimize summer learning loss by motivating kids to read, learn and explore, even when they're not in school! Last year, more than 13,000 kids across Edmonton registered for the summer reading challenge and recorded a total of 105,402 hours of reading!

#### The program includes:

- A summer reading challenge: Kids can pick up their registration packets at any EPL location. They'll track their reading minutes with a logsheet, and for every 6 hours that they read, they'll receive one entry into our grand prize draw and a free button.
- In-branch classes & events: Summer Starts at EPL is back in the branches with exciting and educational content created by EPL staff and a few special guests! There will be things to build, technology to learn, mysteries to solve and so much more!
- Online events: We'll feature a variety of online events with a fantastic array of guest performers. There will be a menagerie of birds and animals, yoga, dancing, magic shows, treasure hunts, improv workshops just to name a few!
- A weekly contest: Kids can visit their nearest EPL branch each week to look for this summer's mascot, Ariana Flambé. If they find her, they can enter their name in a weekly draw to win a free book!
- Prizes! This year, our prizes include:
  - A Nintendo Switch Kit
  - 10 Lego Kits

# What is the TD Summer Reading Club?

- The TD Summer Reading Club is a nationally sponsored campaign that encourages children to read throughout the summer.
- Thousands of libraries across Canada (including EPL) participate.
- Our website will link to the TDSRC page, where kids will find more great activities, <u>eBooks</u> and content to keep them busy all summer long!



# Letter to Parents and Guardians from Trustee Lisa Turchansky, Ward 76

June 2022

#### Dear Parents and Guardians:



On behalf of the Edmonton Catholic Schools Board of Trustees (ECSD), I extend a heartfelt appreciation to our school communities for their contributions to the success of the 2021-2022 School Year. Thank you...

- o Firstly, to you, our parents and guardians for your involvement and support and for entrusting Edmonton Catholic Schools with the education of your children;
- o To our students for your determination, perseverance, and hard work; and
- To all our staff for your outstanding service to students, families, and our communities. We are very grateful for your dedication and passion. We are so proud of our amazing Division.

We are pleased to share the most recent edition of <u>Board Messenger</u>, which highlights the initiatives and work undertaken by the Board towards its goal of providing a quality Catholic education for our students.

#### Leadership, Staff and Academic Excellence

The Board is extremely pleased with the outstanding results from the ECSD Assurance Survey that was conducted to engage stakeholders with respect to the quality of Catholic education provided by the Division. Overall satisfaction rates reported by parents and guardians, students, and staff were 87.2%, 95.9% and 95% respectively. These superb results were earned during the pandemic, which attests to the dedication and commitment of our administrators, teachers, staff, and families towards providing an excellent Catholic education for our students. Please click <a href="here">here</a> to view the report.



ECSD was once again named as one of <u>Alberta's Top Employers</u>. The Division is delighted to be recognized for supporting our staff and creating workplaces where they feel safe, healthy, valued, included, and encouraged to reach their full potential. Our school families are integral to creating the supportive atmosphere that provides the firm foundation upon which the Division builds. Thank you for your active and positive participation in our collective success.

#### **Understanding and Responding to Needs**

On March 14<sup>th</sup>, school council members met virtually with their Ward Trustee representative in a Community of School Council (COSC) meeting to learn about the Board's Advocacy Plan and the themes that the Board will be promoting on behalf of the Division. Parents and guardians were encouraged to provide feedback on the themes presented and provide additional themes for consideration. They also provided their feedback on the best ways for them to share their voice with the Division, and how the Division can improve parent and guardian participation in its surveys and school engagement sessions. Excluding the themes that were already identified by the Board of Trustees to lobby government,

the following were the top themes that were suggested by parents and guardians: Serving Our Youngest Learners – Pandemic Recovery, Curriculum-New Curriculum and Serving Our Youngest Learners. The valuable feedback from this engagement session will assist the Board of Trustees, Division, and School Principals in planning for the future. The Board looks forward to further COSC engagements and appreciates its partnership with school councils in its pursuit of the best Catholic education possible. If you plan on being a council member in 2022-23, please watch for the date of the next COSC meeting during the first week of the new school year.

#### **Meetings with Elected Officials**

Our Board works hard to ensure elected politicians are aware of the opportunities and challenges facing our Division. In that regard, the Trustees continue to meet individually with elected federal, provincial, and municipal representatives to advocate for the needs of our students. Our advocacy efforts to the Alberta Government resulted in full funding for a new Catholic High School in Castle Downs/Dunluce and for a new Catholic Elementary/Junior High School in Lewis Farms. We are grateful to receive approval for these schools. Both are critically required to ease significant enrolment pressures in north and west Edmonton. Schools in those areas are overcrowded and students will benefit from vibrant new learning spaces that are able to accommodate the growing communities.

#### **Celebrating our Staff, Retirees and Graduates**

The Board of Trustees was pleased to be able to attend events to celebrate the achievements of our dedicated employees, retirees and high school graduates. The Board offers a heartfelt "thank you" to our long-serving staff members. The staff of ECSD is at the heart of everything we do, and our students' success is directly aligned with the talents and efforts of our teaching and support staff. The Board is amazed by how all our staff, working together, have risen to the challenges experienced over the past two years.

The Board celebrated the significant and important contributions of our 2021-2022 retirees at a Retirements Gala held in May. Each and every one of these staff members brought a unique set of skills and talents to their roles which will have a lasting impact on our Division. Congratulations to our wonderful retirees. We thank them for their years of dedication and service to the students, families and staff at ECSD.



It was such a pleasure for the Trustees to attend our High School graduation ceremonies in-person after a two-year absence. We would like to offer our congratulations and best wishes to our graduates. You made it! This is your time, the beginning of a bright future filled with hopes and dreams. We wish you many blessings as you confidently step forward to live full and satisfying lives, and to serve God in one another.

We hope you have a relaxing, safe and enjoyable summer break with family and friends, and we look forward to working and learning together for the success of all students in the 2022-2023 school year.

In closing, I would be pleased to attend one of your school council meetings to update you on these and other Board initiatives, and to answer any questions that you may have. I can be reached at 780-903-2033 or <a href="mailto:lisa.turchansky@ecsd.net">lisa.turchansky@ecsd.net</a>.

