



Calgary Christian Elementary School Council Meeting

June 17, 2021

6:30pm-7:30pm

WELCOME & OPENING DEVOTION

- ☪ Introductions (Michelle Zuk)
- ☪ Opening Prayer

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Mike Thiesen, Principal

Covid Protocols for 2021-2022 School Year:

- September 2021: The plan is to anticipate some level of restrictions within the Elementary School when we return in the Fall (due to 5-11-year old children not being able to be vaccinated yet).
- Last year July/August was when the majority of updates regarding restrictions were provided with the same timelines believed to occur this year. CSC will share the updates with families and students. This may look different than Middle/High school as students in this age bracket are eligible for vaccinations.
- Will continue with a staggered entry for all Elementary school students. September 1, 2021 will have half of the students in Grades 1-6 and Thursday, September 2, 2021 will have the other half with Friday, September 3, 2021 including all students (a shortened day ending at 12:40 pm). Meet the teacher is scheduled for August 31, 2021 from 3-6 pm and will be planned as 15 minute time slots for parents to sign up on Sign-Up Genius with 3-4 students per spot. This year, (most likely) parents will not be able to come into the school during this time.

Outline of the day:

- 8:15am doors open, and school starts at 8:30. Staggered recess will continue as the school saw a fraction of playground incidents this year due to less congestion. Grades 4-6 go out first and K-3

go outside for recess once the group comes in.

- Day ends at 3:33pm Mondays-Thursdays. Fridays end at 12:40pm (no lunch break at school). Hope is that students who participate in sports will not need to leave early on Fridays to attend (e.g., hockey).

-Staffing: Will not be allocating any teachers to teach online this upcoming school year. As such, we will be able to offer French again next year and early numeracy intervention in grades 1-3 and early literacy in grades 1-3 as well as alternate programming for grade 4-6 to support math, literacy, and ELL. Teacher and support staff allocation will remain the same as this year despite cuts from Palliser in both these areas. This is due to the Society for Christian Education providing financial support along with the surplus of CCS from this year. Society provides 3400 EA hours with CCS using surplus to ensure continued EA support.

- Gaga Ball: Mr. Thiesen will continue to work on this in the Fall to ensure the proper equipment is purchased for this game. We want this to be effective for all grade levels with Mr. Thiesen considering the various options to ensure it is accessible for all. This will all be paid with Hot Dog funds. **“Thank You” to all those who have supported the hot dog lunches this year (which has also funded the purchase of multiple ukuleles).

CALGARY SOCIETY FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Ken DeWyn, Executive Director

Society Updates – Q&A

Continued work at the school over summer with a new HVAC system being introduced, LED lighting added, sinks added to the classroom without this feature. This is supported through both Society funding and Government of Alberta Covid relief funding

SCHOOL COUNCIL ITEMS

Michelle Zuk, Co-Chair

Teacher appreciation day: Sign-up sheet for this day is on Sign-Up Genius. Please volunteer for this day to show our teachers sincere thanks and appreciation for their tremendous efforts this

year!

Curriculum: Please review the K-6 draft curriculum available at www.alberta.ca/curriculum and direct questions/concerns to your MLA or Alberta Education.

New initiative- Textile Bins: This program to be introduced next school year with textiles of any kind able to be donated to the bins (with the CCS logo) at both the Elementary and Secondary school (with a potential for two bins at each site). The donations will be weighed, and the school will be paid for the donations in the bin. These funds could be used as needed by the school with community involvement to ensure its success. Because our school is on society land, we do have to receive approval from the Society Board along with parent approval.