

Society News + School Wide

CSCE Staff Update: [Click here](#) for an introduction to the two new CSCE staff members joining the team this school year! Please join us in welcoming Oluwatosin and Tammy!

Orange shirts - In honour of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30, orange shirts featuring artwork used with permission, from Indigenous artist Michelle Stoney, for \$25. Once again, proceeds from the shirts will be donated to the Legacy of Hope Foundation. Shirts will be available via Hot Lunches and will be available for pick-up before the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Prayer Team:



This group of parents and staff met this morning to pray for our students, staff and families. If you would like to join, come by the Secondary offices on Tuesdays at 8:35 am.

Mental Health Support at CCS: The Counseling Support Team invite you to visit [their page](#) on the CCS website to learn more about what they do, get connected with them and find other helpful information shared by Family School Liaison Counselors, Kelly Schmaltz and Cindy Lerner and Making Connections Worker, Leah Ekubazgi.

Important Dates and Information:

Oct 3 - Family Night with our National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Speakers

Oct 4 - National Day for Truth & Reconciliation Assemblies

Visit the [parents tab](#) for supply lists, volunteer opportunities and more. Subscribe to the calendar on your ios device to keep in the loop on all CCS key dates and events.

We love to show the wonderful things that CCS students are learning, creating and taking part in. Sharing images is a valuable way to tell stories about the good work happening at our school. Please note that we never share student names or information in our public content. If your student's image is not able to be shared, please fill out [this form](#). For more information, contact [Niki Brandsma](#) in the Development office.

Hotlunches.net Student Class Update Needed: A system reset of all student classes (homerooms) needed to be completed, and as such, all parents need to login to their hotlunches.net account and update their student's class/homeroom information. If you already did this at the start of the school year, it will need to be updated again. Thanks for your understanding.

Davison Apples Fundraise: We are happy to be offering our Apple fundraiser again! Proceeds from the fundraiser will go to support student initiatives at CCS. Orders can be placed under your hot lunch account and will be accepted until September 25th for pickup on October 8.

Please take a moment to view [this](#) letter from the Minister of Education.

The Threat Assessment Fair Notice Letter which is sent to families by school sites each school year has been updated. You may access it here: [Threat Assessment Fair Notice Letter](#).

Pre School News

Welcome Back - Preschool will be starting the week of September 9. With teachers setting up classrooms starting today. If you have any questions call Susan at 403-242-2896, ext. 2152.

Elementary News

New Contact Info: Our Office Administrators have a new email address. Please use ccesoffice@pallisersd.ab.ca to report absences or lates. The former email address will no longer work.

Important Dates and Information:

September 11 - Student and Class Photo Day for Grades 1-6 and Mon/Wed Kindergarten

September 12 - Student and Class Photo Day for Tues/Thur Kindergarten

September 12 - Elementary Meet the Teacher Night & Family Picnic, 5:30-7:00 pm.

5:30-6:00 pm: Classroom visits and meet teachers

6:00-7:00 pm: Picnic outside on the elementary fields (please bring dinner for your family and get ready to meet other awesome CCS families!)

*If the weather is poor, we will still host the Meet the Teacher at 5:30 but will try to reschedule a community get together at a later date.

ES Lunch Program: The ES Lunch Program has been opened on the hot lunches website [here](#). If you are brand new to the school, please register for an account and add your children to your account to be able to place orders. All parents, please be sure to update your child's grade and homeroom. You will only be able to place orders for **September-January** lunches at this time. February-June will be opened at a later date.

ES Lunch Program Volunteer Opportunities: All dates for volunteering for the Elementary Lunch Program from September-January have been added to SignUpGenius. We cannot run this program without your help, so please sign up today! Did you know that all funds raised from our lunch program go towards special events such as "Alien In-Line Skating" and "SoundKreations". The funds are also used to purchase items such as our Gaga Ball Pit.

ES Photo Day Volunteer Opportunity: We need two volunteers to help with Photo Day [tomorrow, September 11th](#). If you are available, please sign up on SignUp Genius using this link

ES Chapel: It is a K-6 Chapel on Thursday, September 12. Parents are welcome to attend.

Elementary Helpful Hints: linked [HERE](#) has information that is helpful for new and returning parents and students.

Literacy & Numeracy Screening Assessments: The literacy and numeracy assessments are mandatory for Kindergarten children and students in grades 1 to 3 to ensure they receive essential foundational learning in the critical early years of their education. Click here for more information:

📄 Provincial Literacy Screening Assessments

📄 Provincial Numeracy Screening Assessments.pdf

Secondary News

TONIGHT! Secondary Meet the Teacher Night & Orientation from 6:30-8:30 pm. Come in to meet the teachers and learn more about the many programs we offer here!

Important Dates and Information:

Sep 12 - Picture Day

Oct 10 - Parent/Teacher Interviews

Do you want to help your child think about life after high school? We are excited to offer the [HINT course](#) again this year for grade 10-12 students. This course helps students take the stress out of choosing and preparing for their career using real-world exploration and planning. Our goal is for students to rethink their approach to careers from a Biblical perspective. Students will gain insight into how to explore careers that match their personality, interests and talents, network with industry experts, and what steps to take after high school. If students already have a career in mind, they'll gain valuable insights, discover the right college and career path, and learn how to get experience in their chosen field.

[HINT Video Link](#)

[Course Overview](#)

[Syllabus](#)

Email Jadan Barthel [principal] at jadan.barthel@pallisersd.ab.ca to reserve your spot!

Spain/Portugal: There are only 8 spots left for this amazing opportunity! Email any questions to lauren.monson@pallisersd.ab.ca.

Lisbon - Madrid - Barcelona



SPRING BREAK 2025

For students in grade 10, 11, & 12 in the 24/25 school year

Enroll online at www.eftours.ca/27560055N

Enroll over the phone by calling 1-800-263-2806 (open Monday-Friday from 9am-5:30pm EST)

School Council: Join us for the first school council meeting of the year on September 19, in the LINC at the secondary campus. All CCS parents and guardians are encouraged and welcome to attend. The school administration will share a range of updates, and the School Council will outline various opportunities for parental involvement. Parents are also invited to email any topics they'd like to see on the October agenda to ccsscouncil@gmail.com. You can check out the agenda [here](#) but we're looking for feedback on assessment reporting and shifts in the 25/26 school timetable. Start time will be determined soon and shared in next week's email!

Picking up your secondary student early?

- 1) Coordinate a designated meeting *location* and *time* with your child,
- 2) Notify the teacher via Edsby to facilitate your child's dismissal, and
- 3) Record the planned absence in [Edsby](#).

*In order to reduce disruptions in the classroom, we request that parents refrain from entering the school, but may phone the office *after* the agreed meeting time with your student has elapsed. The student is only

required to sign out at the office before joining you outside at the predetermined rendezvous point at the scheduled time.

Secondary Office Email: We are still waiting on Palliser to fix our office email address. Please continue to submit your child's absences via Edsby.

Chef Chris: The Secondary Cougar Bites Cafe hot lunch menu is [posted](#) and active with menus available up to December break... and stay tuned for some exciting new items that Chef Chris has in mind for daily walk up sales!

Our Secondary **Helpful Hints document** linked [HERE](#) has an abundance of information that is helpful for new and returning parents and students.

Missed previous weekly emails? Find them here: [Weekly Email](#)