

BOARD BULLETIN

January 2019 – MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION @ mhcbe.ab.ca

Our Motto:



"Showing the face of Christ to all."

FEBRUARY Registration Month

for the 2019-2020 School year

Medicine Hat Catholic Schools

"Great Schools" "Fantastic Staff" "Exceptional Programming"

February is Registration month in Catholic Schools for the 2019-2020 School-Year-All Grades K-12 & Early Learning (for little ones starting at age 3)

Students Currently Enrolled: Pre-Registration for *students currently enrolled* will start Jan 21st with pre-populated student registration forms home in the back packs.

New Students: Are you new to Canada or new to our community, transferring or have a new learner getting ready to start school for the first time? Registration forms can be picked up at any of our 9 Catholic Schools starting Jan 21st. Stay in touch with everything registration! Follow us @[mhcatholic](https://twitter.com/mhcatholic)



School Open House - Jan / Feb 2019

Come to a Catholic School Open House for February Registration with School Tours - Register Now for 2019-2020

Open House Dates & Times:

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

- St. Michael's School Feb 1 9 - noon
- St. Patrick's School Feb 4 9 - noon
- St. Francis Xavier School Feb 4 9 - noon
- École St. John Paul II School Feb 4 9 - 2 pm
- St. Louis School Feb 6 9 - noon
- Mother Teresa School Feb 11 9 - noon


MIDDLE SCHOOLS:

- Notre Dame Academy Jan 28 6 - 8 pm
- St. Mary's School Feb 5 6:30 - 7:30 pm

HIGH SCHOOL:

- Monsignor McCoy High School Feb 12 5 - 7 pm

Catholic Schools are a publicly funded, vibrant part of the public education system in Alberta. There is no tuition to attend a Catholic School in Alberta. We welcome both Catholic and non-Catholic students to our district! Our District serves approximately 2600 students from the communities of Medicine Hat, Redcliff & Dunmore. Our Catholic schools offer a full complement of English & French Immersion programming from Kindergarten to Grade 12, including many programs of choice. In addition, Early Learning Programs are offered in each of our Elementary Schools for children ages 3-5.

 **Come, Experience Catholic Schools
All are Welcome!**

2019-2020 BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS – The Board of Trustees approved the Budget Assumptions for 2019-2020 as amended, the amendment included: "to staff a .5 FTE Academy Coordinator for 2019-2020". Budget Assumptions are detailed in the [January 2019 Board Agenda Package](#) on pages 30 & 31.

IMR PLAN AMENDMENTS – The Board approved the installation of a change table at St. Patrick's School and a door assist in the administration office at Monsignor McCoy High School for a total of \$7,200 plus non-refundable GST.

STRATEGIC PLANNING – The Board's upcoming annual Strategic Planning Session scheduled for April 4, 2019 will focus on establishing Board Priorities for next year that will guide the School Ed Plan and the District's 3-Year Ed Plan. Stakeholders will include Trustees, Sr. Admin, School Administrators and Staff & Parents.

GRADUAL RETIREMENT PLAN – Annually, the Board reviews the Gradual Retirement Plan and determines whether or not to continue to offer the plan. At the January 8, 2019 Board Meeting, the Board voted to discontinue the Gradual Retirement Plan.

BROWN BAG LUNCH PROGRAM – Thank you *Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' Education Foundation* for again funding the delivery of *Brown Bag Lunches* to students in our Catholic Schools. The funds were received from the Foundation as a **Grant** in the amount of **\$3,000!** Did You Know? - **Brown Bag Lunches** are prepared by community volunteers and delivered to students across our City every day. On average, 59-84 brown bag lunches are delivered every day to students in Medicine Hat Catholic Schools. We also extend a thank you to Hillcrest Church and the ongoing volunteers who assemble lunches every day. Recently, students from [St. Patrick's School](#) volunteered to make lunches.

CLASS SIZE SURVEY – Annually, the school jurisdiction does an analysis of the student class sizes in our schools and submits a report to AB Education. The [detailed report](#) is available on the website, click on: OUR DISTRICT/DOCUMENTS/PLANS & REPORTS. Our class size average: **K-3=19.2 / 4-6=20.9 / 7-9=24.6 / 10-12=23.5**

Details @ www.mhcbe.ab.ca

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Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education

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"Serving students in Medicine Hat,
Redcliff & Dunmore"

It all starts here!



Upcoming Catholic School Board Meetings, Public Welcome.

- February 12, 2019 6pm Regular Meeting

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