



2021-2022

“When Jesus saw this... He said to them ‘let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these’” Mark 10:14

**Welcome to Father Father Beauregard
2021-2022 School Year**

Welcome Back! Father Beauregard Staff are excited to welcome our students back soon. New adventure brings about excitement and some potential uncertainty. We are hopeful the following information provides clarity and helps parent(s)/guardian(s) to plan for the coming weeks.

As the new Principal, I am thrilled to be back to the school where I began my teaching career. It is my goal to continue with the many great things that are happening at Father Beauregard while also working together with families and staff to foster the inherent greatness of our students. If there is ever a question, concern or suggestion, please reach out to any of the Administration, as we want to ensure our families, students, and staff all recognize their added value to the ongoing success of our school.

With the ever changing nature of our current circumstances, we can expect a continued evolution with regards to safety protocols and guidelines. Our priority is to provide a safe and caring learning environment for all students and it is through this lens we will continue to plan forward.

Our Office can be reached at (780) 799-5767 or through email at fb@fmcsd.ab.ca.

Please enjoy the rest of your summer! We look forward to meeting our students and families soon

Jeff Power

Back to School Essentials

First Day of School

Fort McMurray Catholic Schools will be utilizing a staggered entry for the 2021/22 school year. This means students will attend school on their designated day, and then the first day of school for everyone together will be Tuesday September 7th, 2021.

Staggered Entry Schedule

Date	Grades in Attendance
Tuesday, August 31st	Grades 5, 6
Wednesday, September 1st	Grades 3, 4
Thursday, September 2nd	Grades 1, 2
Friday, September 3rd	No School for Students.

Our EEP/Kindergarten students have traditionally started the school year with a staggered entry. There will be no changes to their staggered entry for the 2021/22 school year. Classroom Teachers will contact families with dates and times to sign up for students' Staggered Entry by August 27th.

Bell Times

8:05 - First Bell
8:10 - Second Bell/Attendance Taken
10:15 - Morning Recess
12:15 -12:55 - Lunch/Recess
2:45- Dismissal

Early Entry Program/Kindergarten (AM) - 8:05 - 11:00
Early Entry Program/Kindergarten (PM) - 11:55 - 2:45

Office Staff

Principal: Jeff Power - jeff.power@fmcsd.ab.ca

Vice Principal: Eithne Pierre - eithne.pierre@fmcsd.ab.ca

Classroom Support Teacher: Leanne Canete - leanne.canete@fmcsd.ab.ca

Office Administrator: Trina Gushue - trina.gushue@fmcsd.ab.ca

Father Beauregard 2021-2022 Teaching Staff

Early Entry Program - Ms. Pamela Beardy - pamela.beardy@fmcsd.ab.ca

Kindergarten - Ms. Rachel Clarke - rachel.clarke@fmcsd.ab.ca

Grade 1 - Ms. Lien Nguyen - lien.nguyen@fmcsd.ab.ca

Grade 1 - Ms. Andreea Catana - andreea.cantana@fmcsd.ab.ca

Grade 2 - Ms. Kim Blatchford - kim.blatchford@fmcsd.ab.ca

Grade 2 - Ms. Kiana Scarf - kiana.scarf@fmcsd.ab.ca

Grade 3 - Ms. Taylr Norman - taylr.norman@fmcsd.ab.ca

Grade 4 - Ms. Ashley Power - ashley.power@fmcsd.ab.ca

Grade $\frac{4}{5}$ - Mr. Andrew Munro - andrew.munro@fmcsd.ab.ca

Grade 5 - Mr. Ryan Andrews - ryan.andrews@fmcsd.ab.ca

Grade 6 - Ms. Stephanie Bishop - stephanie.bishop@fmcsd.ab.ca

Primary Independent Living Program - Ms. Tina O'Toole - tina.o'toole@fmcsd.ab.ca

Junior Independent Living Program - Ms. Sarah Torrance - sarah.torrance@fmcsd.ab.ca

Physical Education - Ms. Angela Rogers - angela.rogers@fmcsd.ab.ca

Attendance & Parent Visits

Student safety is a priority and so we request that any time your child is away, please notify the office through a phone call. Our Office Administrator, Mrs. Trina Gushue is available to take calls after 7:30am. If this time does not suit your needs, we ask that you leave a message on our voicemail to allow us to properly conduct our Child Safety Check both in the morning and following lunch.

We are looking forward to the time that parents(s)/guardians(s) are welcomed into our school with ease. At this time, parent visits are permitted through appointment only and those visiting are required to wear a mask. As current parameters evolve, we will communicate any changes to parents to ensure a gradual, safe return to parent/guardian participation in school events.

Early Entry Program and Kindergarten parents are asked to wait outdoors for their children during drop off and dismissal. If for any reason you would like communication with your child's teacher, please inform the teacher prior to dismissal to ensure a safe environment can be maintained.

Drop Off and Pick Ups

Kindergarten/Early Entry Program/ILP students enter and exit the school building from the front of the school. Kindergarten will enter and exit through the front doors, with the Early Entry Program students entering through their designated door. For Staggered Entry, staff members will be visible outside to help guide students and families to the correct exit and entry points.

Grade 1 - Grade 6 students enter and exit the school building through the back of the school nearest the playground. For ease and safety, it is best to drop Grade 1 - Grade 6 students off in the staff parking lot, where multiple supervisors will guide students to their correct entrance.

When students are permitted to be outside (when the temperature is above -20C), the students will remain outside until 8:05. When the temperature is below -20C, students are invited into the building after 7:50am.

All students are dismissed at 2:45pm. Students riding the bus will be guided to the front of the school, while others will be dismissed at their assigned doors to meet their parent(s)/guardian(s). Supervision outside occurs until 2:55pm. If for any reason a parent/guardian is going to be late picking their child up, we kindly ask that you notify the front office to ensure safety for that student.

Calendar

Please use this [link](#) to view the [2021/22 calendar](#) for Fort McMurray Catholic Schools.

School Supply List

The [supply list](#) for all Fort McMurray Catholic School is available. This list of supplies will help to guide families of what is required for the first day of school. Additional supplies may be requested throughout the school year. If for any reason there are limitations to purchasing supplies, please reach out to the main office to discuss alternative options.

Yellow Bus Transportation

If you are interested in accessing the Yellow School Bus, please read the [Student Transportation Policy](#) to determine if you qualify for the service. If you do, you must submit an [online Request for Transportation Services](#) form. At this time, there is an approximate 2 week turn around between requesting transportation and having the ability to ride the bus to school. For more information, you can view [Yellow Bus Transportation \(Elementary\)](#), or contact our main office.

School Fees

Early Entry Program - \$800.00. Please contact the main office to discuss payment options.

Kindergarten - Grade 6 - The only fee associated with these grades are for those students who choose to ride the Yellow School Bus.

Health and Wellness

Academic Support: All children develop at a different pace, with some children requiring additional services to support their academic, social and emotional growth. Mrs. Leanne Canete is our Classroom Support Teacher, who helps to monitor student growth, identify areas for increased support, and provide intervention through dialogue and collaboration with both staff and families. The best point of contact for understanding your child's progress at school is their Classroom Teacher, and if you feel additional support is required, please share this with your child's teacher or reach out to Mrs. Leanne Canete at leanne.canete@fmcsd.ab.ca

Counselling Support: Father Beauregard's School Counsellor, Ms. Leanne Humphrey is available to support students on a regular basis. If you would like your child to visit with our school counsellor, please contact any of the Administration. Mrs. Humphrey is available on Monday and Wednesday.

Apple Schools: We continue to be forever grateful to Apple Schools and their contribution to student health and wellness across multiple domains since 2011. Students at Father Beauregard are encouraged to enjoy many healthy snacks provided through our Grab and Go bins, participate in regular and ever changing Daily Physical Activities, Active Lessons supported through Division Mentorship as well as resources for parents to support active healthy choices for children. For more information, please visit the [Division Apple School Website](#) and the [Apple School Website](#).

Allergies: Father Beauregard is a peanut and nut safe school due to students and staff with severe allergies. Please keep this in mind when packing your child(ren)'s lunches. Thank you in advance for your diligence.

Hot Lunch: Families are able to order hot lunch for their children each month from a variety of Choose Most Often Menu items from various local restaurants around town. Each month, parents will receive a link with dates and food choices, as well as the payment options for this program. Students who order hot lunch receive their order just prior to the start of lunch. Father Beauregard's first hot lunch order form will be sent to parent(s)/guardian(s) on Monday August 30, with the first hot lunch order day on Monday September 13.

Communication

School information can be found in the following areas:

- [Father Beuaregard Facebook Page](#)
- [School Website](#)
- [Father Beuaregard School Council Facebook Page](#)
- Edsby was new to our school last year. This year, we will continue to become more familiar with the functions and ability to share academic information with parents. We will be sending more information to make sure you are connected to Edsby so that you are able to view report cards, classroom updates and school communications.
- School Newsletters are sent out through email on a monthly basis
- When school wide emails are sent they will come from either fb@fmcsd.ab.ca or Jeff.Power@fmcsd.ab.ca
- As a staff, we invite parents/guardians to reach out to their child's teacher for any classroom information. Teachers availability varies and therefore response times will vary.

COVID-19

Fort McMurray Catholic Schools will continue to meet all public health orders from the Government of Alberta and the Public Health Agency of Canada. Currently Alberta is in stage 3 of the reopening plan. Please refer to the [Fort McMurray Catholic Schools Back to School Guide 2021/22](#) for more information.

Each student and staff should complete the [AHS Daily Checklist](#) before coming to school.

Reminder: Masks are strongly recommended for student use. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are invited to encourage students to mask prior to entry into the school. This is not a requirement, but is a helpful preventive measure to support a safe and caring environment for all those stakeholders who choose to attend and visit Father Beuaregard.

Helpful Links

[Alberta Education 2021–2022 School Year Plan \(August 2021\)](#)

[Alberta Public Health Measures](#)

[COVID-19 info for Albertans](#)

[AHS Self-Assessment Tool](#)

[Symptoms and Testing](#)

[AHS Information- How to Speak with Children About COVID-19](#)