

École Racette School

October 2025

DATES TO REMEMBER

- National Day of Truth of Reconciliation - Sept. 30th
- Picture Day Oct. 1st
- Celebration of Academics & Achievement - Oct. 1st @ 7:00pm
- WORLD TEACHERS DAY! Oct. 5th
- Catholic Education Faith
 Formation Day for Staff Oct. 9th NO SCHOOL
- PLC DAY Oct. 10th—NO SCHOOL
- Thanksgiving Day Oct.13th -NO SCHOOL
- Parent Advisory Meeting –Oct.
 15th @ 7:00pm
- Catholic Education Week— Oct. 20th-24th
- Feast of St. John Paul II Oct. 22nd
- Catholic Education Week Liturgy - Oct. 22nd @ 11:15
- Halloween Dress Up Oct. 31st

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I look forward to this school year and to continuing our collaboration of providing your children with an effective and engaging educational experience. As always, we will look to our families to be positive partners in their child's educational journey. Ecole Racette School staff has always made a priority of working together as a caring



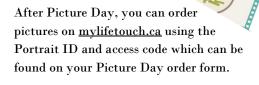
and compassionate learning community with professionalism, teamwork, action, and expertise. We will always put the best interests of our students at the center of our purpose. Join us in ensuring the success of all Racette's students. Stay healthy, stay positive, and stay connected.

As always, my door is open and our team welcomes your input.

Yours in education,

Andrea Austin Principal

Picture Day is Wednesday, October 1st!



Families who purchase their photo packages online at, www.mylifetouch.ca, will receive a Shutterfly coupon for \$30 off any Shutterfly purchase and a free 8x11 photo book.

Student Registration
Fees are now due. These
fees are payable through
School Cash Online, or
by cheque/cash/debit/
credit in person at the
main office.

New to <u>School Cash</u> <u>Online</u>? Click the link to register!



REPORT CARD DATES FOR 2025/2026

- Thursday,November 20,2025
- Tuesday, March
 17, 2026
- Final report cards
 will be ready at
 the end of June
 2026

Parents, please
encourage your child to
use the lock on their
lockers. Several students
are leaving them
unlocked and we are
concerned about
valuables that could go
missing.

For Parents and Visitors

Reminder: All school doors, except the main (South) entrance, are locked.

ALL PARENTS AND VISITORS are to use the Main Street doors and report to the office to advise of your reason for being in the school.

We ask that you do not proceed to your child's class.

NOTE Racette School has video recording in effect.

Racette School Public Calendar

We have put together a public calendar for students and families to stay up to date with the school calendar.

You can add it to your device's calendar by <u>clicking</u> <u>here</u> or by scanning the Code ——>



From the Office

Gym Attire

Wearing proper clothing for physical education classes is essential to ensure student comfort, to maximize participation, and for obvious hygienic reasons. A T-shirt or sweatshirt with shorts (short shorts are not acceptable) or sweats is considered to be appropriate clothing. Students should have a clean pair of running shoes for indoor use only to keep our gym as clean as possible. It is also recommended that gym wear is washed each week.

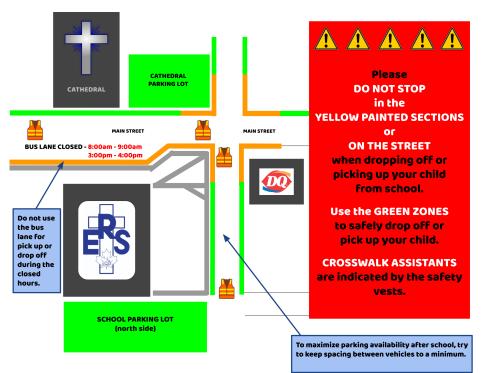
Student Absences

We are now using the SafeArrival app for attendance in our school. We thank you for your patience while we work out the quirks of our new system. For more information, please visit <u>SafeArrival Absence Reporting</u>.

Lockers, Locks and Desks

School lockers, locks and desks are the property of the Division and are assigned to students by school personnel. Students are responsible for the proper upkeep of this property. A record is kept of the lockers and locks assigned to each student.

Random clean-ups and locker monitoring may occur. Therefore, there is to be no expectation of privacy.



Due to safety and insurance reasons, bikes, skateboards, & scooters, are not to be used on school grounds. Thank you for your cooperation!

Sign in

The PowerSchool Parent Portal is open!

Click here to access the sign-in page directly:

https://powerschool.sperd.ca/public/



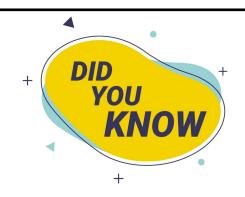
/ Students work on many tasks using Google apps.

Here is what you need to know for logging in.



- 1. Open a Google Chrome internet browser.
- 2. In the top right hand corner of the screen, there is a sign in button. Click on it.
- 3. Type in the student SPERD email account information. For example, if my name is Carly Smith, I would type smitcarl@students.sperd.ca
- 4. Now type in the student password. Students have been using this regularly and should know it.
- 5. You are now signed in to Google and can easily access the different platforms. These are most easily accessed by clicking on the 'waffle' in the top right hand corner of the screen.
- 6. Once the 'waffle' is clicked, the icons for Google Drive, Google Classroom, Google Meet, and Gmail will be available for you to click.

If you are having any trouble at all, contact Corinne Pashko (Assistant Principal) at pashkori@sperd.ca



CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2025







Catholic Schools in Alberta are **fully funded** by the Alberta Government and constitutionally protected by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms?



We have over **180,000** students in Catholic schools across the province?

Catholic schools integrate **faith** into all aspects of the curriculum?



Catholic schools are governed by locally elected **Catholic School Trustees?**



Catholic Education is supported by the **Council of Catholic School Superintendents of Alberta (CCSSA)** who provide professional development to our superintendents and promote the uniqueness of Catholic education?



Our **Bishops** play a significant role in overseeing and providing spiritual leadership for Catholic education?



Alberta is home to 23 Catholic **Francophone** schools, providing Catholic education in French for our Francophone community?



Studies consistently show that students in Catholic schools often **outperform** their peers in public schools according to the Alberta Education Assurance Measure?



Parents and community members can actively support Catholic education by participating in **Grateful Advocates for Catholic Education** (GrACE)? Sign up for the monthly newsletter here!





All Catholic School Families have access to an online resource: **Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ?** Reach out to your Catholic School Division for more information!













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Catholic Education Week - October 18 - 24, 2025

"Anchored in Christ, Beacon of Hope"

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

From the heart of God's loving providence flows the great gift of Catholic education-a gift entrusted to the Church and cherished across our communities in Alberta, the Northwest Territories, and the Yukon. At the very center of this gift stands the person of Jesus Christ, our hope and our anchor, who draws near to each student, calling them into a personal and transforming relationship with Himself.

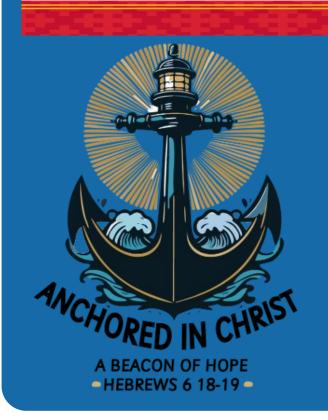
The passage from the Letter to the Hebrews invites us to anchor our lives in Christ, who alone offers a hope that is "sure and steadfast"-a hope that reaches beyond our limitations and draws us into the very presence of God. This year's Catholic Education Week theme, "Anchored in Christ, Beacon of Hope," reflects the vocation of Catholic schools to be places where students not only encounter this hope but are formed to share it as radiant witnesses in the world.

Hope in Christ takes root in the home, where children first learn the Faith through the witness of their parents. It is nurtured in the life of the parish, where families gather around the altar and are sustained by Word and Sacrament. And it is cultivated in Catholic schools, where educators, clergy, trustees, and families form a sacred partnership in shaping minds and hearts in the truth and love of Christ.

In these times of uncertainty and rapid cultural change, our young people need more than optimism—they need hope founded in Christ. Catholic education offers more than academic excellence; it offers formation in discipleship. In every classroom, library, playground, and staff room, we are called to bear witness to Christ, to teach as He taught, and to lead others to the deep peace that only He can give.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2025

"We have this hope, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters the inner shrine behind the



We, the Catholic Bishops of Alberta, the Northwest Territories, and the Yukon, offer our prayers and profound thanks to all who serve the mission of Catholic education: students, parents, teachers, educational assistants, support staff, school leaders, trustees, and parish clergy. Your fidelity, courage, and love make it possible for our schools to remain steadfast in identity and luminous in

Let us go forward together, anchored in Christ and radiant with hope. May our words and actions always reflect the faith we profess, and may our schools continue to be places where Christ is known, loved, and proclaimed with joy.

Yours in Christ.

Catholic Bishops of Alberta, Northwest Territories and Yukon

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Bishop of Calgary

Most Reverend David Motiuk Bishop of the Ukrainian Eparchy of Edmonton

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Most Reverend Jon Hansen, CSsR Bishop of Mackenzie-Fort Smith

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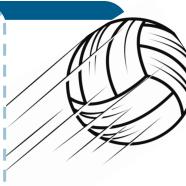
Reverend Paul Kavanagh Archdiocesan Administrator Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton

Sr. Volleyball

Congratulations to all those who made the Senior Volleyball teams!

Sr. Girls Team	Labrie, Maybelline
Boulianne, Addison	Landiak, Sadie
Braun, Erin	Lavoie, Emma
Corriveau, Suri	Martin, Madelyn
Culp, Ayla	Ouellette, Shanine
Gagne, Sophie	Robinson, Ryleigh
Graham, Juliet	Smyl, Masynn
Gray, Addasyn	Zarowny, Alyssa

Sr. Boys Team	Lachance, Felix
Bolante, Jereul	Lachance, Javier
Bolante, Jethro	Levasseur, Camden
Espejo, Xyreb	Stepp, Griffin
Gratton, Keiren	Swiegocka, Adam
Gray, Keagan	



Jr. Volleyball

Jr. Girls Team	Lock, Daphne	Rosychuk, Kamryn
Amy, Ava	Krankowsky, Madison	Severin , Faith
Amy, Isabelle	Mahe, Serenity	Starchief, Kalissa
Berlinguette, Madisyn	Michaud, Ahliyah	Urlacher, Ruby
Chapdelaine, Bailey	Moser , Evelyn	Zarowny, Zoee
Charbonneau, Emma	Noel , Lily	Koss, Amyra
Costanos, Zandrine	Poirier, Eva	Malcolmson, Tenley
Cote, Paisley	Pruden, Katie	
Eamon, Vivien	Reszel, Kali	
Gratton, Kambren	Rice, Ella	
Lamoureux, Finnley	Robinson, Rose	

Jr. COED Team Brodziak, Jett Monzones, Kaiser Chornohos, Brady Robinson, Joe Deschaine, Ryder Hurtubise, Julia Ference, Karter Plante, Myriam Ferris, Colin Chapdelaine, Jerrica Johnsen, Bjorn Robinson, Casey Robinson, Jreyden Kabyn, Emersyn Sheppard, Colton Looy, Macey Winterbottom, Ash

Golf

Another great season for Ecole Racette School golf teams!

Harris, Landon Johnsen, Vann

The boys A team captured the championship banner with their hard work and determination. Our boys B team earned 2nd overall! Their dedication to practice and teamwork paid off, and we couldn't be prouder of their achievement! The girls' teams also displayed incredible talent and resilience with Girls A team finishing in an impressive third place. Their commitment to the sport and each other was inspiring.

To all the students who tried out for the teams this season, your efforts and enthusiasm were commendable, and we encourage you to come back again next year.



Roster

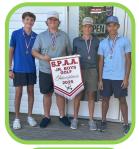
Boys A: Colby Sadlowski, Brady Lafrance, Thomas Pilipchuk and Camden Levasseur

Boys B: Lochlan Lamoureux, Kyler Morrison, Rylan Fontaine and Zephryn Cadrin

Boys C: Griffin Stepp, Gus Penosky, Colby Looy, Jakin Parenteau

Girls A: Talia Malcolmson, Addasyn Gray, Masynn Smyl, Maycee Maheu

Girls B: Suri Corriveau, Juliet Graham, Avery Yaremchuk, Tenley Brousseau







Cross Country Running

GIRLS

Anderson, Madalyne

Babcock, Lucy

Boulianne, Payton

Boulianne, Addison

Brodziak, Denay

Charbonneau, Emma

Corriveau, Suri

Cote, Paisley

Culp, Ayla

Eamon, Vivien

Graham, Juliet

Gray, Addasyn

Kabyn, Emersyn

Kudrynytska, Eva

Lamoureux, Finnley

Looy, Macey

Mahe, Serenity

Noel, Maelle

Penner, Ella

Rice, Ellawyn

Robinson, Rose

Robinson, Ryleigh

Smyl, Masynn

Winterbottom, Quinn

Yaremchuk, Avery

Another short cross country running season has come and gone already! After 3 weeks of trail and hill practices in some very hot weather, we had 43 runners attend the SPAA championship on Sept. 25th. Their phenomenal performance brought home both the boys & girls SPAA banners! Everyone had a fantastic day and shout out to our grade 6s who dominated their categories - a great start to future SPAA events!

All of our Raiders shone and made us proud!

BOYS

Bardal, Xavier

Martin, Emmitt

Boulliance, Nixon

Druhan, Broc Morrison, Kyler

Ference, Karter

Penosky, Gus

Martin, Caleb

Ference, Keagan

Sheppard, Colton

McIntosh, Owen

Fontaine, Rylan

Sheppard, Easton Sheppard, Elijah

Johnsen, Vann Kabyn, Drake

Stepp, Griffin

Krankowsky, Nickolas

Winterbottom, Ash







Raider Days

RAIDER THURSDAYS

Every Thursday, we encourage students and staff to show their school pride by wearing "Racette gear" or the color blue. School gear can be purchased online at racetteschool.entripyshops.com



Terry Fox Run

Students participated in our Terry Fox Run/Walk on September 26th. Students and staff fundraised this year during our Staff Pie in the Face event! Thank you to those staff members for braving the pies and thank you to all those who donated and supported this effort through our school.

We ALL run or walk for somebody!

School Parent

Advisory

October 15th,

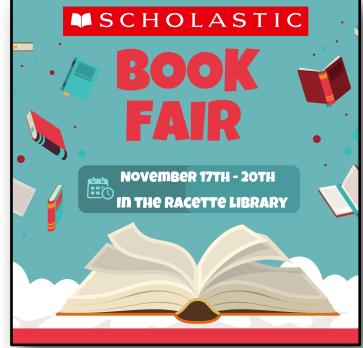
@ 7:00pm











ÉCOLE RACETTE SCHOOL

A Note From Mrs. Belland

Hi Racette Families!

I manage the Together We're Better Mental Health Capacity Building (MHCB) program for St. Paul Education and am blessed to have my office right here at Racette as the Success Coach.

This fall, Ms. Mahe (Racette's FSLW) and I have already visited classrooms to introduce ourselves and explain how we support students.

Most of my work happens in classrooms during **SST or Health**. This year, I'll be leading **Hopeful Minds** with **Grade 6–7**, **Stress Lessons** with **Grade 8**, and **HeartMath** with **Grade 9**, along with **lessons for all grades** on **conflict resolution**, **kindness**, **and exam stress**.

Health teachers may also invite me in to cover topics like communication, anxiety, or vaping. From time to time, I run small groups (like social skills or grief), usually by invitation.

Sometimes my other MHCB duties have me out of the building, but when I'm here at Racette, I also host a fun **Noon Game** open to students on a first-come basis.

I look forward to connecting with your kids throughout the year!



For more info: https://www.facebook.com/TWBMHCBSt.Paul



School Parent

Advisory

October 15th,

@ 7:00pm



Volleyball Night!

Up for some friendly competition?! Come play volleyball! Enjoy snacks, games and fellowship!

When: Friday, October 3rd **Time**: 7pm - 9pm **Where**: École Racette Junior High

School gym

Who: Grades 6 - 12

Please wear appropriate clothing and shoes.





For more info : cassie 780 210 6234 0r Justene 780 614 5490

LAC BELLEVUE RECREATION & AG SOCIETY PRESENTS

EMPOWERING MINDS

Mental health challenges are real—and so is the power of a caring community.

Join neighbors, leaders, and everyday heroes for an evening of connection, compassion, and practical tools. Hear a powerful keynote, enjoy a Free Community Perogy Supper, and leave empowered to spot the signs of struggle and offer meaningful support.

Because sometimes, the difference between despair and hope... is you.



GUEST SPEAKER AWARD WINNING MENTAL HEALTH ADVOCATE IAN HILL

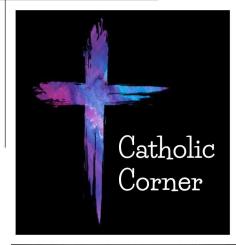


SCAN TO REGISTER



October 25th Doors open at 5PM Supper at 6:30PM

Lac Bellevue Hall (9132 TWP RD 562) Corner of TWP562 & HWY 881



"THINGS HAVE A PRICE
AND CAN BE FOR SALE,
BUT PEOPLE HAVE A
DIGNITY THAT IS PRICELESS
- AND WORTH FAR MORE
THAN THINGS."
- Pope Trancis

Catholic Social Teaching shows how our Catholic faith guides our actions. If we all live according to Catholic Social Teaching, it would

TRANSFORM



Jesus tells us to love God and to love our neighbor, every neighbor!

By living out Catholic Social Teaching, we can build a world of







where everyone has what they need.

This year, our school has a focus on learning about Catholic Social Teaching. Each month, we will explore one of the 10 Catholic Social Teachings and work towards adding it to our daily lives.

Join us on our journey!

What is Catholic Social Teaching?

Catholic Social Teaching (CST) offers a way of thinking, being, and seeing the world.

It provides a vision for a just society where the dignity of all people is recognised and those who are vulnerable are cared for

Catholic Social Teaching in 2 Minutes
Catholic Social Teaching for Children

What is HUMAN DIGNITY



understanding that everyone has worth and deserves to be treated with kindness and respect, no matter who they are

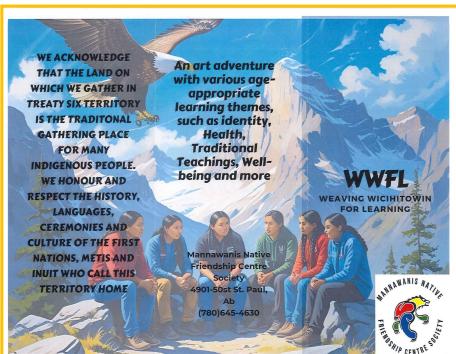
For Catholics, the **dignity** of a human person is established by being created in the image and likeness of God. We have **dignity** simply because we were created by God.

Catholic teaching reminds us that:

- that every person is precious.
- that people are more important than things.
- that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.

Mannawanis Native Friendship

Center-Youth Program









Family Challenge 2025!



Various students competed for their Family throughout the afternoon on our Terry Fox Day. The Family Challenges included 2x4 Relay,

Tug-O-War, Pillow Fight, Bean Bag Toss, Blind Volleyball, Bat Race, and the Torch Battle.



The afternoon focused on team building, cooperation, and fun!











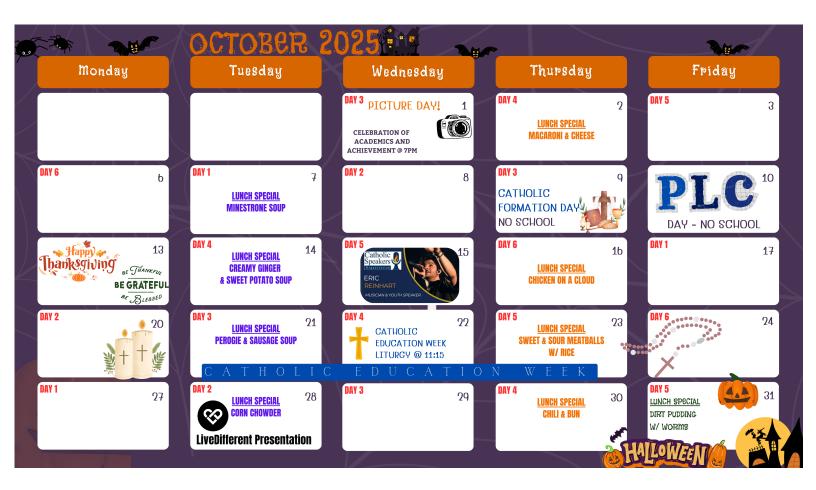
Gotcha - Good Conscience

These students were "caught" doing something good for someone else! Their names will go into a draw to receive a school gift!

- Payton Boulianne
- Erin Braun
- Jake Chacko
- Faithfulness Dada
- Broc Druhan
- Camden Duchesneau
- Rylan Fontaine
- Addasyn Gray

- Julia Hurtubise
- Bjorn Johnsen
- Emersyn Kabyn
- Amyra Koss
- Connor Koss
- Cassandra Lange
- Camden Levasseur
- Dylan Mahe

- Kayven Mathews
- Jayden Obaitua
- Gus Penosky
- Domanic Picken
- Camden Severin
- Colton Shepard
- Avery Yaremchuk





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St. Paul Education Regional Division:

Website: www.stpauleducation.ab.ca

Facebook





St. Paul Education

Learning Together, Growing Together

<u>Updates from the District</u>

September Board Highlights

Student Success at Racette Junior High School

One of our main priorities at Racette School is to ensure student success. Individual teachers are the main facilitators for students in their learning, however, sometimes additional support may be required. Every day there is a 23-minute period just before lunch. It is referred to as SST (Student Support Team). During this scheduled period, students will be able to do AR reading, get caught up on missing assignments, study, or re-do assessments.