



All Boys Program

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Principal's Message



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY

- Registration for 2013-2014 will begin January 14, 2013.
- Students currently registered here are automatically registered for 2013-2014.
- If you have a son already in this school and wish to register a brother, he is automatically accepted.
- ***All others are considered to be on a waiting list until we see the numbers.***
- I will hold a Parent Information Evening Thursday January 10, 2013, 7pm to 8pm. (This is for new families interested in registering for 2013-2014. Come learn about the program and tour the building. Classrooms and other learning spaces will be open. Some staff members and current parents will attend to meet prospective parents.)

Important Dates

**JANUARY 8 (TUESDAY):
FIRST DAY BACK FROM
WINTER BREAK**

**January 10 – Information
evening for prospective
families 7pm-8pm**

**January 17 – School
Council at 7pm**

**January 21-25 – Skate
Shack**

**January 31 – Dental
Hygienist (Grades K, 1 &
2)**

Planning Ahead For Junior High Schools

The All Boys Program will **NOT** add grade 7 in 2013-2014.

Your grade 6 son's registration will be forwarded to your designated school (according to your address).

Check school websites on the CBE website for information. Many schools hold open houses January – March. Alternative schools are listed on the CBE's main page under "Quick Launch" then "Schooling, Programs, Services/Supports".

- A.E. Cross Parent information evening February 29, 2013 from 6:30 to 8:30pm
- Willow Park Arts-Centred Learning grades 5 to 9. Open house January 17 @ 7pm



CHRISTMAS FAMILY CELEBRATION – Thursday, December 13th 7pm-8pm

The Christmas Family Celebration was very well attended. Many crafts were completed and taken home to enjoy, Christmas songs were sung and kids played and had fun!!

Thank you to everyone who so kindly donated to the bake sale!! It was a big success and as a result our School Council was able to raise approximately \$500.

SKATING – January 21-25, 2013

We will skate during class time once again this year with the Skate Shack program. The schedule is to be announced. Boys who have their own helmets and skates may bring them or they can use those provided by Skate Shack.

YEARBOOK

This year the school yearbook will not be distributed at the end of June. We decided that we would like to distribute them in September so we would be able to include pictures of our program's very first grade 6 graduates.

FOOD-BANK DONATIONS

The All Boys Program managed to fill a huge box with non-perishable items for the Food-Bank. **Way To Go Everyone!!**



CALGARY READS' VOLUNTEERS

Whether you're a seasoned volunteer or just thinking about becoming a volunteer, few charitable experiences are more rewarding than those involving children. For those individuals looking to make a difference to a child in your community, consider donating your time or resources to Calgary Reads.

Since 1998, this not-for-profit organization has championed the cause of early literacy in schools throughout the city. Calgary Reads pairs struggling readers in Grades 1 and 2 with trained adult tutors for one-on-one tutoring in a structured, nurturing and supportive learning environment within the child's school. Tutors spend time tutoring young readers, while providing a strong adult role model in each child's life.

Research is very clear about the impact of literacy on an individual's well-being. Good reading and writing skills prepare children for success in school and in life. Students in Grades 1 and 2 are at the optimum level of brain development to learn these literacy skills.

Consider the following research findings:

- A child's reading level at the end of grade 3 is a strong predictor of school success.
- Reading is not a school subject in and of itself; it is the means by which all other subjects are accessed and understood.
- Strong literacy skills are key determining factors in economic self-sufficiency, and resilient emotional, cognitive and physical health.
- Illiteracy has been linked with emotional problems, school dropout and criminal behaviour.
- Almost all children, with the proper attention and guidance, are able to read.

If you enjoy reading and have two or three hours each week to share with a child, we invite you to help us in our mission to help Calgary's children gain literacy skills, along with increased confidence, self-esteem, and hope.

For more information on how you can become a Calgary Reads' tutor, telephone 403-777-8254 or e-mail info@calgaryreads.com. New tutors are always needed.

All Boys Program is now a Calgary Reads school. You must commit to reading with one child, 40 minutes a day, twice a week for 33 sessions. If you are interested please refer to the Calgary Reads website.



Dear Parents

We wanted to let you know of our store hours over the holidays. As our staff worked very hard throughout the summer, and in most cases, without a holiday of their own during our busiest season, we need to reward them for their hard work, and so we will be closed over the holiday season to give them a good rest and time with their loved ones. So we will be closed as of Friday 21st December and we will re-open on Saturday 5th January. This means that if you need anything before the return to school you can come in on the 5th January to get your school items.

Also we wanted to let you know of some new items that we have just received. We have some winter coats in stock, in men's, ladies and youth sizes. These are on offer at the moment so take a look at our website or come on into the store. We do stock some basic items that anyone can wear, regardless of school, or even if you have finished school, items such as basic tees. All of our non-school specific clothing is under the Wear It Store, left hand side of the website. If you would like to order items online over the holidays we will process the orders as soon as our staff are back to work.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a fabulous break over this holiday season, and we wish you all a very happy new year.

The Wear It Team

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kindergarten

registration begins
Jan. 14, 2013



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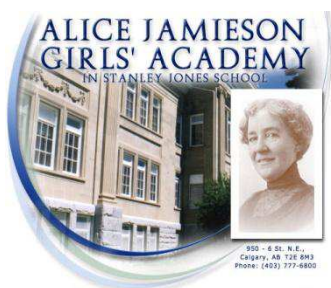
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ALICE JAMIESON GIRLS' ACADEMY

LOCATED AT STANLEY JONES SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE - THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2013



The **All Girls' Program** for grades 4 to 9 is designed to ensure that girls will develop academic leadership and organization skills for success in their personal life, their educational endeavours and their career pathways. This program will celebrate academic mastery and personal best. Unique education initiatives of the program include an emphasis on student independence, empowerment and leadership, the construction of mentorship networks with successful women, provision of counsel for post-program pathways *with increased access* to sciences, technology and math. Girls will have the opportunity to examine gender roles through Women's Studies and a girl focused curriculum in addition to the Alberta Program of Studies. The overall goal is to build on girls' strengths to create an optimistic and empowered culture.

Parents interested in learning more about this program are invited to our Open House on

Thursday, January 24th from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.



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Night with the Hitmen



CALGARY HITMEN
vs
PRINCE GEORGE COUGARS



Friday January 18, 2013 at 7:00 pm

ALL STUDENTS, STAFF AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO JOIN IN THE FUN AT THE CALGARY HITMEN GAME. JOIN US FOR SOME GREAT ENTERTAINMENT AND HELP US CHEER ON OUR CALGARY HITMEN.

GET YOUR
TICKETS AT
THIS SPECIAL
RATE!

\$10⁰⁰
per ticket
TICKETMASTER
FEES APPLY

For more information about the CBE, please go to cbe.ab.ca.

with \$2⁰⁰ donated back to the
Fuel for School Breakfast Program

THERE IS LIMITED SEATING AVAILABLE IN THE LOWER BOWL SO BOOK NOW TO GET THE BEST SEATS. IN ORDER TO RECEIVE YOUR CALGARY BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL RATE, GO TO:

www.ticketmaster.ca/cbefuel

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS SO GET YOUR TICKETS FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY NOW! DON'T FORGET TO JOIN IN THE SPIRIT AND WEAR CLOTHING WITH THE DISTRICT LOGO OR YOUR SCHOOL LOGO.



Casino Volunteers Needed

February 14 & 15

We are looking for **40 volunteers** to help **work 4 shifts** at the **Elbow River Casino February 14 & 15**. The profit we earn during these two days is substantial (**\$30 000 - \$90 000**) and it goes directly to school council which helps our Boys have equipment, technology (smart boards, etc.), transportation , field trips, artist in residents and much more to round out their educational experience.

Shifts are usually as follows:

Day shift 10:30am- 7:15pm, Evening shift 6:15pm-2:30am, Count Room only 10:30pm-2:45am

There are many ways to help and positions often do not deal with the public.

The following positions at a casino event must be filled by volunteers:

General positions

- General manager(s) and alternate may stay extra 30min)
- Banker (may stay extra 30min)
- Cashier (deals with public)
- Chip runner
- Backups (if someone is a no show)

Count room staff:

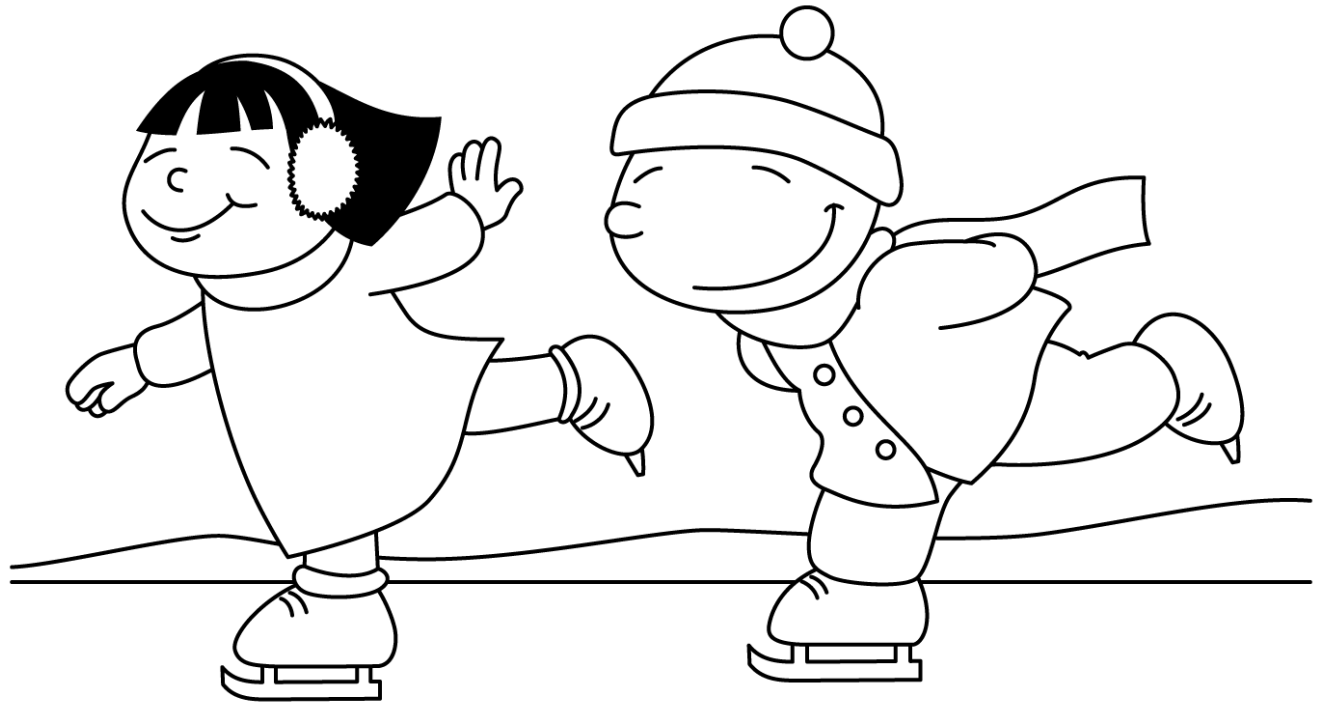
- Count room supervisor
- Sorter
- Counter
- Recorder
- Amalgamator

For more information and to Volunteer please contact Sarah one of three ways: via e-mail sarahbaehl@gmail.com , send the bottom of this form back with your son or sign up during one of the upcoming parent nights at the school.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Position: _____

Shift preference: _____



MONTH of JANUARY

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--|-------------------|----------|
| | | 1 NO SCHOOL | 2 NO SCHOOL | 3 NO SCHOOL | 4 NO SCHOOL | 5 |
| 6 | 7 NO SCHOOL | 8 First Day Back | 9 | 10 Information Evening for Prospective Families 7pm-8pm | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 School Council 7pm | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 Skate Shack | 22 Skate Shack | 23 Skate Shack | 24 Skate Shack | 25 Skate Shack | 26 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 Dental Hygienist (Grades K, 1 & 2) | | |



CBE values diversity and strives to nurture each student

The beginning of a new year tends to cause us to pause and think about what has gone before. It also provides us the opportunity to look to the future with hope and renewed energy.

The first student with Down Syndrome was integrated into a regular classroom in 1986. Since then, we have become more knowledgeable and skilled when responding to diverse learning needs. The Calgary Board of Education values diversity, defined as the full range of uniqueness within humanity.

Understanding what it means to live responsively, justly and inclusively as a learning community is how we have

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Each student, in keeping with his or her individual abilities and gifts, will complete high school with a foundation for learning necessary to thrive in life, work and continued learning.

come to think about diversity. While we support students with exceptional learning needs, who are acquiring English as an additional language, who appear to achieve success with ease, and reaching out to students who feel

marginalized, we strive to nurture each student to be successful as an individual and to contribute to the democratic ideal that defines our country.

We take this work very seriously. CBE Trustees have deliberately defined success for each one of our more than 107 000 students as our collective call to action. The focus on each student is significant. Living and

working responsively, justly, and inclusively in a diverse learning community means that we are interested in knowing your child and every child; caring about and for your child and every child, and responding to the learning needs of your child and every child.

Our goal is clear and our commitment unwavering. Academically, the majority of CBE students excel as measured against provincial, national, and global standards. Our students also demonstrate strength, compassion, and formidable resilience in living in and improving our changing world. Difficult to measure in a standardized way, evidence of character and citizenship demonstrated by our diverse learners requires evidence through stories of action.

At a Board of Trustees' meeting in December, two remarkable students from Centennial High shared examples of ongoing projects they are taking on as a school community to make the world a better place. While the examples were rich and imaginative, what was most compelling was the voice with which these students spoke. Totally unscripted, each one spoke from their heart about initiatives that mattered to them, their school, and society as a whole. They clearly demonstrated that they have the foundation of learning to thrive in life, work, and continued learning. They already are.

These two students represent our hope for each and every student in the Calgary Board of Education.

Naomi Johnson
Chief Superintendent of Schools