



Calgary Board
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Colonel Macleod
School

CMAC WAAG | Sept 4, 2026

(Colonel Macleod School Week-at-a-Glance)

Good Afternoon CMAC Families,

What a great first week! I was so impressed with how our students returned to school this year, connected with their classes, and jumped right back into routines. We have such a great group of kids in this building, and I am so excited to see what the year will bring. From the first day Monday, to the Welcome back assembly today, it has been the smoothest start we have had in my time at CMAC. Thank you for all the work do at home to send your kids, our students, to school ready to learn each day. It takes a village, and we have an incredible village!

There are some important startup and action items in this week's WAAG, so please give it a careful read. As always, let me know if you have any questions.

Upcoming Calendar and Events

Monday September 7 – Labour Day Holiday – School Closed – No School for Students

Tuesday September 8 – Day 1 – TLC Informal

Wednesday September 9 – Day 2 – TLC Informal

Thursday September 10 – Day 1 – TLC Informal – First School Council Meeting!

Friday September 11 – Day 2 Friday – TLC Casual

Monday September 14 – Day 2 – TLC Formal

Tuesday September 15 – Day 1 – TLC Informal

Wednesday September 16 – Day 2 – TLC Informal

Thursday September 17 – Day 1 – TLC Informal

Friday September 18 – Day 1 – TLC Casual

Housekeeping

- Students need to eat their lunch during lunch break, not period 5
- Reminder – as per regulation by the Government of Alberta, students may not have any personal mobile devices at school. In addition to cell phones, this includes

smart watches, blue tooth ear/head phones and any other devices with connectivity features.

- Reminder – no energy drinks, canned drinks, or messy sticky drinks in the school (slurpees, fountain pops, Iced Caps, etc.)
- Grade 5 and 6 lunch – Lunch break is short and students spend half of it outside. Please send quick, easy meals for lunch.
- No food delivery/skip the dishes – We cannot support this, but we have a great hot food cafeteria!

School Council – First Meeting!

Every year, our school council made up of parent and family member volunteers makes meaningful, important contributions to our school community. As a school community, we need your help. Council cannot be run by school staff, it requires participation from our broader community.

On Thursday, September 10th at 6:30 we will be hosting our first school council meeting of this academic year. Please join us as we welcome everyone back for the new school year. The council is actively seeking volunteers to fill several of the executive positions. Please consider attending the meeting to hear more about these volunteer opportunities. They will also be posted on the Colonel McLeod Parent Group Facebook page for your information.

We have a large pool of funds from our casino fundraiser and want to allocate it in ways that are meaningful, and meet the needs of our students. We need your help to do this! Join us online this Thursday September 10, we will look forward to seeing you there! Meeting information is below:

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join: <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/22573845070995?p=V9HnPbF1xXNJ8lF9kj>

Meeting ID: 225 738 450 709 95

Passcode: Q3pD98LS

Volunteers – Annual Registration – Action Required

Reminder: Annual Volunteer Registration Required for All School Volunteers

To ensure the safety and security of CBE students and staff, all volunteers must be registered with the school each school year before participating in volunteer activities.

The Annual Volunteer Registration Form is valid for the current school year only. All volunteers, including returning volunteers, must complete a new registration form each school year before participating in volunteer activities.

Process

Parents and guardians can register as volunteers through the SchoolEngage tab in their [MyCBE](#) account. As part of the registration process, all volunteers must review the POPA requirements and sign to indicate their agreement with the conditions outlined in the form.

New This Year: Community members who do not have a child registered with CBE must complete their volunteer registration in person at the school where they wish to volunteer. This change allows school staff to verify that volunteers have reviewed and acknowledged their privacy obligations under Alberta's Protection of Privacy Act (POPA).

Parents and guardians can access the form through the SchoolEngage tab in their [MyCBE](#) account. Community members without a child in the system should be directed to the school where they wish to volunteer to complete their registration in person.

CBE-Wide Processes and Protocols

The work we do in schools is governed by [CBE Administrative Regulations](#), which are determined in accordance with [Alberta Education and Childcare](#) and the [Education Act](#). These documents provide the foundation for our work in schools, and set us all on the right track so we can work toward an excellent year for each of our students.

In particular, we are directed to share the following Administrative Regulations with families at the start of each year, as they have particular relevance to our day-to-day work with children and families:

[AR 6031 – Welcoming, Caring, Respectful and Safe Schools](#) – Outlines the shared responsibility of students, staff, parents and community members to maintain a welcoming, caring respectful and safe learning environment

[AR 6007 – Student Code of Conduct](#) – Outlines expectations for behaviour of all CBE students

Athletics

Cross Country season is well underway! Any students wishing to participate should see Ms. Kokura in Room 21. Our first meet is on September 10th!

Please have a look in your My CBE account and pay any unpaid fees.

If students want to try out for a team, they MUST first return their Annual Authorization for Athletic Tryout form.

If students wish to attend sporting events as a spectator, they need to come with a parent. This helps our coaches to keep their focus on the athletes who are competing. If your child is playing on a sports team, or volunteering, please pick them up right at the end of their games and practices. Our teachers generously volunteer their time, and like the kids, are tired by the end of the day. If students cannot be picked up on time, they will not be allowed to participate.

To participate in games and practices, students must be present for the duration of the school day, as per Calgary Middle Level Schools Amateur Athletics rules. They must also represent themselves as positive members of the school community, as per the standards set by our school for students in leadership roles.

Fees

For families with low incomes, the CBE provides a fee waiver program. Please see the following link for details: <https://cbe.ab.ca/registration/fees-and-waivers/Pages/Waivers.aspx>

If there is a field trip or other learning opportunity with a fee, and this fee will prevent your child from participating, please connect with the principal. No child should miss a learning opportunity offered to their class due to financial reasons.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone, thanks for reading to the end ;)

Stephen Becker,

Your Principal,

Colonel Macleod School