



# ST. ANGELA Catholic Elementary School

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Dear parents and guardians,

We look forward to welcoming your children back to school on **Wednesday, September 1**, for the first day of the new school year. Our theme for this year is “God Calls Us Each by Name.” We are guided by Jeremiah 29:12 - *I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord...plans to give you a future with hope*. We are truly filled with a renewed sense of hope as we return to school this year.

The following information will support a smooth school start-up for students, families, and staff at St. Angela Catholic Elementary School.

As outlined in the [Back to School Plan](#), St. Angela will continue with the following protocols:

- Self-screening by students and staff for symptoms using the [Alberta Health Daily Checklist](#)
- A focus on hand hygiene, including increased handwashing and availability of hand sanitizer in locations throughout the school where soap and water may not be available
- Mask use
- Enhanced cleaning
- HVAC systems will be maintained in accordance with manufacturer operational guidelines

In addition, St. Angela will continue with the following site-based protocols:

- Assigned entrances for student entry/exiting of school
- Assigned areas for all personal belongings.
- Assigned seating for all students.
- Measures will be in place to promote physical distancing in common areas.
- Masks remain strongly recommended for children in Kindergarten to Grade 3.
- Students in Grades 4-6 must wear masks in all common areas. Masks remain strongly recommended during class time.
- Masks are mandatory on the yellow school bus and all Division provided transportation.
- All school staff must wear masks in all common areas, the yellow school bus, and all Division provided transportation. Masks remain strongly recommended during class time.
- All visitors are required to make appointments, use the daily screening checklist, and remain masked when visiting the school.
- At this time, volunteers are not allowed to work directly with students.

Please know the safety, health, and well-being of our students and staff remain our first priority and a safe return to school is a shared responsibility. Students and staff must stay home if they are sick, and families play a critical role in preventing the spread of COVID-19 and other respiratory



illnesses. We thank you in advance for your support in mitigating the risk of illness within our school community.

Every student and staff member who prefers to wear a mask at all times will be completely supported in that decision. As changes and/or updates are made to our safety plans, parents and guardians will be informed.

### **General Information for the 2021 - 2022 School Year**

- School Division calendars for the 2021 - 2022 school year, please [click here](#).

### **St. Angela Hours of Operation**

Our office opens at 7:45 am and closes at 3:15 pm. Please call the school in advance to make an appointment.

#### **BELL TIMES - Kindergarten - Grade 6**

8:05 am: First Bell

9:45 am - 10:00 am: Recess

11:31 am - 11:51am: Lunch

11:51am - 12:11pm: Lunch Recess

2:02 pm - 2:07 pm: Movement Break

2:43 pm – Dismissal

\* THURSDAY DISMISSAL: 11:31am

### **Kindergarten**

- All families have been sent their staggered entry assigned time for September 1 or 2. Parents are asked to bring their children through the front door for their staggered entry time. If you are unsure of your assigned time, please contact our office.
- The first full day of school will be on Friday, September 3.



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## School Fees

Supplemental Education Fees for 2021 – 2022 (School fees are to be paid through PowerSchool).

- **Kindergarten**            **\$30.00**
- **Grades 1- 6**                **\$50.00**

## Bussing

- Please [click here](#) to access the Division's Transportation Information, including Safety Rules and Procedures for riding the bus.
- Students residing outside of our boundary area who wish to take an ETS bus will be required to purchase a bus pass. The cost of an ETS bus pass is \$36.75/month for elementary students. The cost to replace a lost or stolen bus pass is \$5.00 for yellow busses and \$73.00 for Edmonton Transit (the full cost of an ETS bus pass). Payments for bus passes may be made through PowerSchool. Students without a bus pass will not be permitted on the school bus. If your child usually rides the yellow school bus and will not be riding the bus home on a particular day, please inform the school.

## School Supplies

- School supply lists can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

## First Day of School

- On the first day of school, teachers will meet all students on the tarmac on the west side of the building beginning at 7:55 am. To assist with social distancing, parents are asked to say their goodbyes on the field and not walk their children to the door or onto the tarmac area. All staff will be on hand to assist students into the building.

Our staff have been working extremely hard in preparing for our new school year. We are eager to greet families and students on September 1, and we look forward to seeing you all very soon!

Yours in Quality Catholic Education,

Heidi Maas, Principal

Carol Durnford, Assistant Principal



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