Archbishop Jordan Catholic High School

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Dear Parents / Guardians,

Thank you for another excellent school year at ABJ – our fifth in the new building! Over the past few weeks we have worked hard to create student timetables and schedules for everyone. We have made many changes based on academic needs. The final opportunity for any changes will occur during registration days in August.

August Registration Dates

The school office will be open 8:30-noon and 1:00-3:30pm beginning on Tuesday, August 22.

Grade 11 and 12 – Tuesday, August 22 from 8:30-noon and 1:00-3:30 Grade 10 – Wednesday, August 23 from 8:30-noon and 1:00-3:30 Grade 9 Thursday, August 24 A-G 8:30 am - 10:15 am

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A note about Schedules / Student Timetables from the Counsellors

Please note that any students looking to make changes to their timetable must have valid academic reasons for their changes. Placement in classes with friends, teacher preferences and the likes will not be entertained. An example of a valid academic reason would be wanting to balance core classes.

Schedule changes will resume during registration and all changes must be done **in person** and cannot be entertained via email or over the phone. Please note that we will do our best to accommodate any valid change requests, but be mindful of the fact that at times changes cannot be made due to course availability and maximum student capacities.

Projected enrollments for 2017-18 school year

Grade 9 = 330 Grade 10 = 365 Grade 11 = 340 Grade 12 (Grad Class of 2018) = 305

Verification Forms for 2017-18

All necessary forms can now be accessed and approved on PowerSchool. All school fees can also be paid on PowerSchool. We will accept payment on registration day but there will be no forms processed in-person. If you would like to go on PowerSchool and complete the 2017-18 Verification Forms before August 28 it would be greatly appreciated.

Locks and Lockers for 2017-18

Lockers / locks are <u>assigned</u> and will be available at registration. They are <u>not on a 1st come basis</u>. Students can only use ABJ locks.

School Supplies for 2017-18

EICS and Archbishop Jordan Catholic High School will be supplying basic school supplies to all students next year. Basic supplies include a binder, pens, pencils, erasers, dividers, and lined paper. The school will also be supplying scientific calculators to Gr. 9 students and Gr. 10 students in math 10-3 as well as graphing calculators to students in Math 10C. Other necessities like rulers and protractors will be available in necessary classrooms. All basic school supplies will be given to students on the <u>first day of classes – Wednesday, August 30</u>. You will <u>only need a back pack</u>, your personal technology, and gym clothing for semester 1 classes.

Textbooks

Please return all textbooks by the end of this week to avoid being charged for them.

Staff Changes

Teaching Staff leaving:

- Mr. Stecyk will be moving to St JP II Catholic High School as Assistant Principal
- Mrs. Damur will be leaving our school and moving to St. JP II in Fort Saskatchewan as Chaplain/Teacher
- Miss Cormier will be leaving our school to pursue opportunities elsewhere
- Mrs. Glass will be away for the year on a maternity leave

Teachers joining our staff:

- Mrs. Tymko will be assuming her new role as Assistant Principal
- Mrs. Dumont will be joining our staff after 12 years at St Edmonds ECSD
- Mrs. Willis-Dengler will be joining us from Our Lady of the Angels Catholic School
- Mrs. Lee will be joining our staff from St JP II in Fort Saskatchewan
- Mrs. Moes will be joining our staff as a recent graduate in Choral and Fine Arts
- Mr. Selinger will be joining our staff (Student teacher last year at ABJ)

Report Cards

Report cards will be available through PowerSchool on July 1 through July 31.

Diploma Results

Diploma Exam Results will be available mid-July. A letter should come outlining how to retrieve the marks on myPass: *myPass.alberta.ca*

Email Subscription

As most of you are well aware, our weekly news information are emailed out on a regular basis. If you presently do not receive these and would like to, please contact the school and we can set you up OR subscribe at the start of next year when an email is sent out to all parents asking them to subscribe provided we have an accurate email address on file. Another great communication method is to subscribe to Mr. Lakeman's blog at abjnews.wordpress.com

Textbook Caution Fee

Please be advised that a \$100.00 textbook caution fee is assessed upon initial registration at the school. Students who have lost or damaged books must settle that account with the school each year. Caution fee refund cheques will be mailed out to students who are not returning and whose books have all been returned. **Caution Fee Refunds will be mailed out in the fall.**

Final Word

To those of you who are leaving ABJ, especially our grads, we wish you the peace of Christ and the comfort knowing you're Always a Scot! Please keep a special place in your heart for ABJ and know that you have truly made a difference to all of us here. For those of you returning in the fall, we wish you a warm and relaxing summer filled with the Peace of Christ.

God bless you during the summer break!

Mr. Brett Cox, Principal, on behalf of the entire ABJ Staff



"I know in whom I place my trust" 2 Tim 1:12