

# Archbishop Jordan Catholic High School

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## Week at a Glance for Feb 4 - 8

*Reminder to all students please return your textbooks from 1st semester courses by Monday Feb 4 if you have not done so already - otherwise students may be charged late fees. Thank you.*

### **Letter regarding student parking:**

To Whom It May Concern,

Beginning March 1st, all students are being instructed to park their vehicles in LOT D (east of staff parking). Lot D has 224 stalls available for students who have an ABJ student parking pass on display on their rear view mirror. Students may come to the office to purchase a parking pass for \$2.00 for as long as there are passes available. If students would like to return their parking pass that they had purchased earlier this year, they are welcome to do so for a full refund.

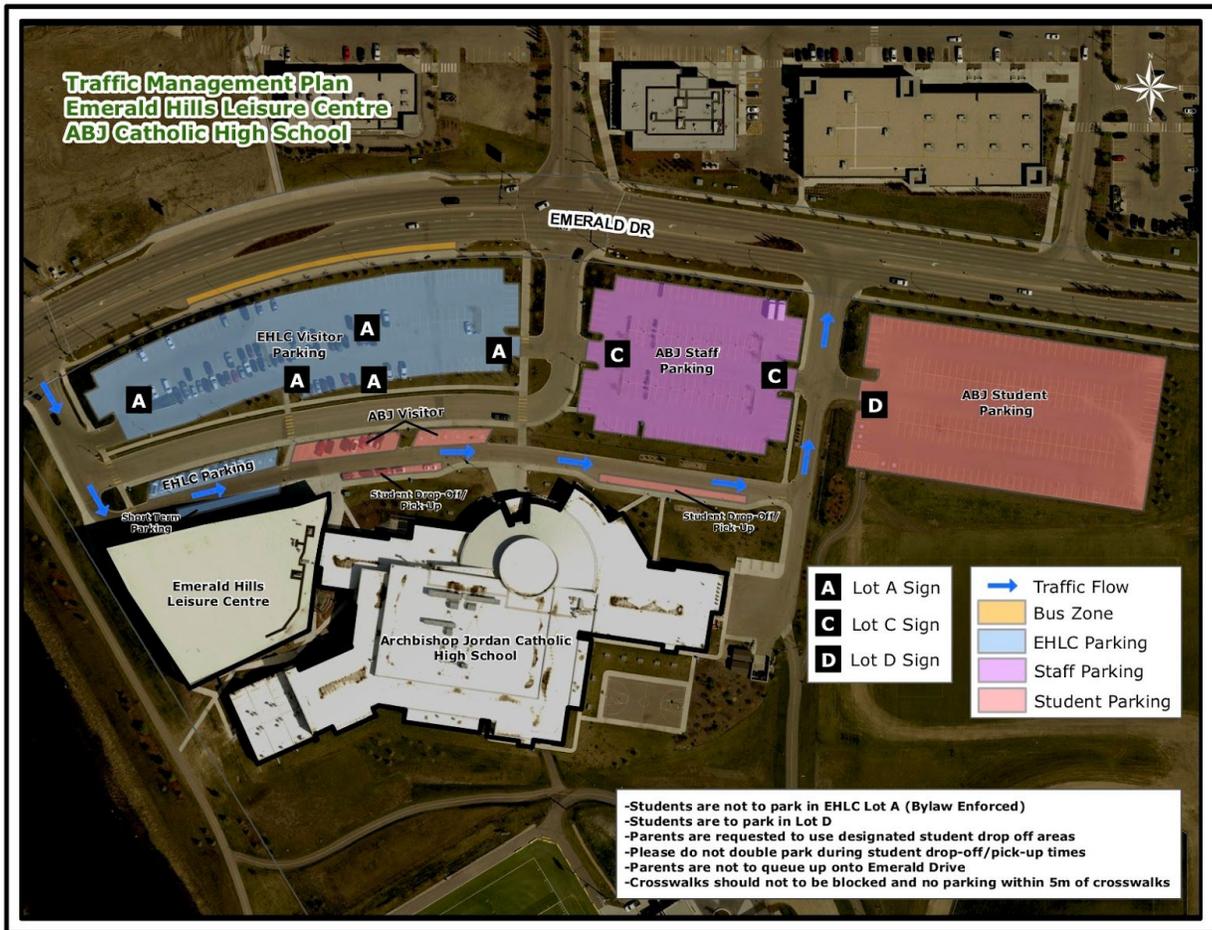
The parking lots at ABJ are Strathcona County property, and this change was put into place because the original plan of sharing the parking lot in front of the Emerald Hills pool and our school was no longer sustainable. Many of the pool guests are seniors or mother's with babies and young children, who could not attend programs at the pool because they could not access parking.

The county had originally provided ABJ with 71 student parking stalls in the shared lot in front of the school when the school first opened in 2012. Later, Lot D was developed as overflow to support users of the Emerald Hills Sports Fields and football stadium. ABJ is grateful that LOT D with 224 stalls has now been formally assigned to ABJ for student parking, which is more than what is required by county bylaws or Alberta Building codes. Most high schools in the Edmonton area have less than 100 stalls for student parking. Although this is a change, we recognize that ABJ is fortunate to have 224 parking spaces for students to access, which should be enough to accommodate most students who would like to drive their vehicles to school (for example, ABJ's front office staff have only sold 125 student parking passes this year).

We recognize that this change will impact students who drive and we have the support of EICS and Strathcona County to help ensure students are able to park safely in LOT D and walk to the school. Student feedback is appreciated, and we are here to help answer questions and relay concerns to Strathcona County to assist in this process. If you have any questions or concerns about the change in student parking, please email ([josephd@eics.ab.ca](mailto:josephd@eics.ab.ca)) or call Mr. Dumont at 780-467-2121.

Sincerely,

Joseph Dumont, Principal



## Weekly Update

### Monday

- Textbook distribution
- Basketball Games:
  - Sr Boys VS Old Scona
  - Sr. Girls @ Spruce Grove
  - Jr. Girls @ Spruce Grove
- Musical Theatre Rehearsal @ 3:30
- Student Council Dance Planning at 3:15
- Football meeting for all interested players @ Lunchtime in room 157

### Tuesday

- Musical Theatre Rehearsal @ 3:30
- Basketball Games:
  - Jr Boys VS Leduc
  - Grade 9 girls and boys @ Ardrossan
- Textbook distribution for semester 2

### Wednesday - Early Dismissal (2:11)

- Textbook distribution for semester 2
- Basketball Games:
  - Sr. Girls @ Strathcona
  - Grade 9 girls and boys VS SCA
  - Jr. Girls @ HA
- **Final Day for Semester 2 Course changes**
- Musical Theatre Rehearsal @ 3:30

### Thursday - Teachers' Convention

- No School
- Sr Boys @ O'Leary Tournament
- Musical Theatre Rehearsal @ 3:30

### Friday - Teachers' Convention

- No school
- Sr Boys @ O'Leary Tournament
- Jr Girls at Bev Facey Tournament

### Upcoming Dates:

February 9	Culinary Competition for team ABJ @ N.A.I.T.
February 15	PD Day, no school
February 18	ABJ Robotics competes at NAIT in provincial championship
February 22	Model UN
February 28	ABJ Open House "Toast of the Town"

### Parents and Students Info:

- Reminder - all students are able to see Mrs.Glass in Student Services or Mrs.Miskiw-Chetek in the Library to look at potential changes to their schedules for Term 2 if they are available. Change requests will only be entertained for **valid academic reasons**. Given the large population of students that the counselors are serving, students will be limited to **one counsellor visit** to minimize line ups and wait times for all. Course changes must be done by Feb 7th
- See the Student Parking letter from EICS here
- E Campus /ADLC Information –
  - E Campus gives students the opportunity to take distance learning courses through ADLC (Alberta Distance Learning Centre). Grade 10 – 12 students can take a variety of 1, 3 or 5 credit courses. The policy is one course at a time to ensure student success.
- Here is some information about ADLC.
  - 60 day non-starter policy – If students do not submit an assignment within 60 days of registration, their course will be closed.
  - 60 day stall policy – If students do not submit an assignment every 60 days, their course will be closed.
  - Archbishop Jordan students need to be finished their course by June 21 to give us a cushion for submissions and grading.
  - Deadline for registration for 3 and 5 credit courses is March 14, 2019.

- Please email Mrs. McGhan with questions ([karrym@eics.ab.ca](mailto:karrym@eics.ab.ca))

### **Alberta Education Surveys Information for parents:**

As an annual check-up on the education system, the Accountability Pillar provides an opportunity for Alberta Education and school authorities to ensure that we are equipping students for success.

The Accountability Pillar uses a set of 16 indicators. Data on these indicators consists of surveys of students, parents and teachers on various aspects of education quality, student outcomes such as dropout and high school completion rates, and provincial assessments of student learning.

From January to the end of February, Alberta Education will be conducting the annual Accountability Pillar Survey.

- In January, parents of students in grades 4, 7 and 10 will receive a survey from Alberta Education.
- In February, students in grades 4, 7 and 10 and all teachers will be completing their surveys online at school.

All surveys are anonymous and ask questions about experiences with your school. Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, so we encourage you to return your survey promptly. Survey results will be available to school authorities in May, and will be reported publicly as part of their 3-Year Education Plans and Annual Education Results Reports.

### **How to use Google tools to support your EICS student**

Did you know your child, as an EICS student, has access to G Suite for Education? These tools allow students to access, share, and create knowledge that supports their learning. On Feb. 28 [from 7:00-8:30 pm](#), come to learn what Google for Education tools your child has access to and explore how to use those tools to support them at home. This session is for all learners, whether you are a beginner or have experience with technology.

There are limited spaces so please register [here](#) or go to <http://bit.ly/EICSGoogleTools>

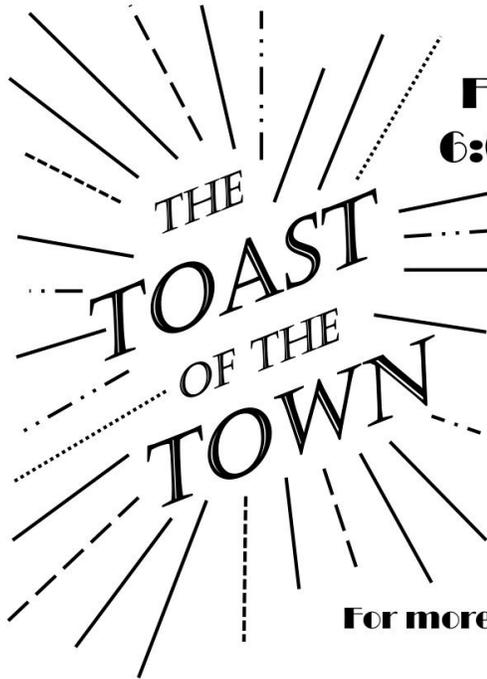
Please come with your child's EICS login information (if you don't know how to access this please ask your child or your child's teacher). If you don't have this, we will have alternative logins so all participants can participate.

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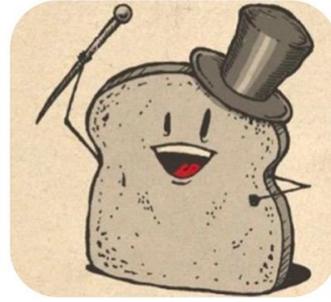
If you have any questions, please contact your school administrator or Heather van Streun ([heather.vanstreun@eics.ab.ca](mailto:heather.vanstreun@eics.ab.ca))



# ARCHBISHOP JORDAN OPEN HOUSE 2019



**Thursday  
February 28  
6:00 – 8:00 pm**



**EVERYONE** is welcome to visit our **EXTRAORDINARY** Campus to learn more about our Grades 9-12 Programs. Featuring Informative Displays and Student Lead Tours!

**For more information please call  
780-467-2121  
4001 Emerald Drive  
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## Gospel Reading

[Luke 4:21-30](#)

Jesus is rejected in his hometown of Nazareth.

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## Family Connection

Jesus' statement that no prophet is accepted in his home town reminds us that it is often difficult to hear a challenging message from those who know us best, even if it is true. Perhaps we remember and even regret this aspect of our childhood and adolescence. We may have overlooked the wisdom and guidance of our parents, while allowing the voices of others—teachers, friends, and counselors—to carry more weight, even when these people were telling us the same thing. Perhaps this developmental stage is unavoidable. Perhaps as we have matured, we have come to a new appreciation for our parents and others whose perspective and experience we once rejected. Today's Gospel provides an opportunity to talk about and to learn from such experiences.

As you gather as a family, consider proverbs or other wise sayings that are familiar to your family (“Blood is thicker than water;” “All that glitters is not gold.”). Consider what these

proverbs mean and whether you believe them to be true. Why or why not? Jesus challenges the people of Nazareth by reminding them of old sayings that seem to have a lot of truth in them. Let's listen to this Gospel and consider what these proverbs mean. Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 4:21-30. Ask: **What were the proverbs that Jesus quoted?** (Physician, cure yourself; No prophet is accepted in his native place.) Consider the meaning of these proverbs and look for examples from your own family life that show their truth. Consider how your family might accept one another's wisdom and guidance and not reject the prophets in your midst. Conclude by praying together the [Prayer to the Holy Spirit](#).

***“I know in whom I place my trust” 2 Tim 1:12***