Archbishop Jordan Catholic High School

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Scot's Week at a Glance

November 16 - 20



Student Parent/Guardian Information

Dear Archbishop Jordan Catholic School Community,

Alberta Health Services is investigating six cases of COVID-19 at Archbishop Jordan Catholic School. Four of the six cases in ABJ involve grade ten classes. Out of an abundance of caution, the decision has been made for ABJ's Grade 10 students to remain home and engage in online learning for this week.

Grade 10 students are to return, in person, to ABJ, Monday, November 23. Teachers will be reaching out to their classes prior to November 17th with information about online delivery of classes. See links below for more information.

- ABJ COVID Information To ABJ Families
- Update 139 COVID 19 New Alberta Health Measures
- <u>UPDATED AHS Checklist is here</u>: note that some symptoms no longer require 10 day quarantine.
- POST SECONDARY OPEN HOUSES Information is <u>HERE!!!</u>

ABJ Changes for Lunchtime

 Students may choose at the start of lunch to either stay in their morning class to eat lunch or leave the school. At 11:50 a.m. students who remained in their morning classes, must move to their afternoon class for the remainder of lunchtime. Students who are outside may re-enter the school from 11:50 -12:20 and must proceed directly to their afternoon class. This change will allow students who choose to stay inside an opportunity to connect with their afternoon classmates as well as allow students to come back inside sooner.

COVID-19 Protocols and Reminders

- Sanitize your desk when you leave a room
- Sanitize your hands when you enter the school and classrooms
- Food should not be shared among students
- Students may not be walking around the school in the hallways during the day, before school or afterschool. Hallway traffic is reserved for students who are leaving the school, entering the school and going to their class, and students going to the washroom or office.
- Reminder about PCD's (cellphones) in the hallways reminder to all students to not use their phones in the hallways during class time. Students may use their phone in class as directed by their teacher and during lunch.
- Caregiver Education Series information is here

Student Entrances for Quarter 2 is Here

ABJ Spirit Wear Coming This Week!

Watch for the 2020-21 Jordan Spiritwear order form coming out this week....parents can find it in the Fees section of the PowerSchool Parent portal.





Resource Hub For Additional Support During this Time:

Check out this link for more information for helping and supporting our children and youth during these challenging times. Finding accurate and supporting resources can be challenging so Kids Help Phone, Government of Alberta and Jack.org have partnered to provide support and resources. This is a hub of information, support, education and resources!

Check out this link:

https://jack.org/resources/covidAB

Or for more information and support contact the following supports at ABJ: Michelle Horon - Family Wellness Worker - michelle.horon@eics.ab.ca

Mrs. Glass - School Counsellor sarag@eics.ab.ca

Mrs. St. Amand - School Counsellor courtney.stamand@eics.ab.ca

Parish News:

- OLPH https://www.olph.ca/
- o Online Sunday Mass is here https://www.olph.ca/video/
- Weekly OLPH Bulletins https://www.olph.ca/about/communications/
- Cuppa Joe with Father Jim and Mrs. Murphy is <u>here</u>
- Returning Q2 Students Photo Day-Tuesday, November 17th. For students returning
 to ABJ in Q2, Icon will be taking photos and making ID cards (IDs will be delivered to
 the school on a later date).
- **Grad Photos-Icon Studios** have graciously offered their studios for grads to now have their photos done there. They are located at 176 Kaska Road, right here in Sherwood Park.
 - Icon Studios will add more November and December dates to choose from, as needed. See below for Icon's booking instructions:
 - Go to www.iconexp.com
 - Click "Book Now"
 - Select the event "Icon Studio Portraits"
 - Select the service "ABJ Grad Portraits"
 - Choose your date and time
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 - Each grad booking will receive a confirmation email after booking as well as the day before their appointment. They will also receive details on our COVID safety protocols.

- Message from Icon:
- **Grads please know that with COVID we are unable to safely sanitize hats so
 we will not be doing any portraits with grad caps unless you have your own that
 you can bring along

Attention all Grade 9 Parents/Guardians

Join our Family Wellness Worker for a Parent PD Session:

Connection Amongst the Disconnection

The transition to Grade 9 and attending a new school can be overwhelming, stressful and daunting. Please join this virtual check in with our Family Wellness Worker, Michelle Horon, for a session on connection and strategies! Please feel free to connect if you have further questions:

Mrs. Michelle Horon - michelle.horon@eics.ab.ca

Mrs. Tymko - ruthb@eics.ab.ca

Details of Presentation:

- Virtual Check In; Connection Amongst the Disconnection
- Thursday November 19t
- 6:00PM-7:00 PM http://meet.google.com/wph-hheo-whq

Front of School Speed Limit

- We have a number of vehicles travelling well beyond the posted 15km speed limit in front of the school. Please slow down in this area for the safety of students, staff, and parents who are crossing the street in this area.
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Information:

"Come hang out at the new Canteen Youth Hub! We are open 3-9 pm Monday through Friday and would love for teens ages 12-17 to come and hang out with their friends. We have a multitude of programs for you to come and check out, with leadership opportunities available. We have a movie theatre and a game room with an Xbox, PlayStation and Nintendo Switch; we will soon have arcade games as well. Located at 123, 2016 Sherwood Drive."

Faith and Connections

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

Jesus teaches what it means to be happy.

Family Connection

One of the great gifts of our Catholic tradition is remembrance of and prayer with the saints. The Church offers us an official canon, or list, of saints. On All Saints Day, we recall and pray with these saints. It is important to continue to tell these stories of saints and saintly people to our children so that they have ample models of people of faith for their own lives.

Together as a family, name and tell the story of favorite saints. Together prepare a list of some of the traits that these people have in common (generosity, courage, prayerfulness, and so on) After preparing this list, read together today's Gospel, Matthew 5:1-12. Identify how the attitudes described in the Beatitudes are reflected in the lives of the saints and people you named.

Pray together as a family a Litany of the Saints. (For example, the leader prays, "St. Elizabeth," and the children are invited to reply, "Pray for us.") Include in your list the saints and holy people you named in your discussion. Conclude by praying that your family will follow the example of these people as disciples of Jesus.