



ST. FRANCIS JUNIOR HIGH

He is Risen! Alleluia!

May 5, 2025

We have so much to celebrate during this Easter season. May the joy of Christ's resurrection continue to fill your hearts and homes with hope and peace.

Staffing Updates

We are thrilled to share some exciting news:

- A huge congratulations to **Tricia Sward** and her husband Dalton, who welcomed their beautiful baby boy on Monday. We are so happy for their growing family!
 - Welcome to **Hannah Couture**, who has joined our team and is currently teaching Grade 8 Language Arts and Social Studies.
 - We also welcome **Maitlynn Miller**, who is teaching Grade 8 English Language Arts.
 - I am pleased to share that **Cassie Skauge** will be stepping into the role of **Associate Principal** for the 2025–2026 school year.
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Re-Registration Reminder

If you are planning to return to **St. Francis** for the upcoming school year and have not yet completed your re-registration, **please contact the school as soon as possible**. This process is now overdue, and we appreciate your prompt attention to help us with planning.

Track and Field Season

Our Track and Field program is now in full swing! We're proud of the many athletes who are stepping up to train and compete, sharing their talents with our school community.

Faith Life

As we move into May, we continue to hold **Pope Francis** in prayer, especially as the Church prepares for the important decisions ahead regarding leadership.

This month, we also honour **St. Joan of Arc** as our **Saint of the Month**. She is remembered for her courage, obedience to God's call, and her strength in the face of persecution. May her life inspire us to live with faith and boldness.

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Principal: Mrs. Jackie Kraemer
Associate Principal: Ms. Kristen Mazzuca

Canteen

The canteen offers regular menu items including hamburgers, chicken burgers & wraps, pizza subs, hot dogs, nachos, muffins, cookies, chips and various beverages. There are also exciting daily specials such as cheezy garlic fingers on Monday, mini pizza on Tuesday, etc. The daily special menus are posted on the daily announcements. Payment can be by cash, debit tap, or through buying prepaid canteen cards on [School Cash Online](#). Canteen cards can be purchased in increments of \$20.00. Your student can then purchase items at the canteen by just telling the canteen staff their name and that they have canteen funds. The staff will keep track of your student's spending and will let them know when funds are getting low.

CANTEEN **news**

Canteen Specials



Monday: Cheesy Garlic Fingers - \$5.25

Tuesday: Mini Pepperoni Pizza - \$5.75

Wednesday: Weekly Special

Thursday: Alternating each week, Beef and Cheese Tacos - \$5.00, and
Chicken Burgers - \$5.50

Upcoming Weekly Specials

May 7: Taco in a Bag - \$6.15 (Order through School Cash Online)

May 14: Chicken Nuggets - \$5.00

May 21: Poutine - \$5.00

May 28: KD \$2.50, Smoothie \$3.00

Wildcat Athletics News

All practices and games are on the
[St. Francis Athletic Calendar](#) (clickable link).
Refer to it often for up to date changes.



- **TRACK & FIELD:** May 9 - Dual Track Meet, SF & FLVT
May 22 - Grade 9 Track & Field Cities
May 27 - Grade 7 & 8 Track & Field Cities

School Fees

School Cash Online

Holy Spirit School Division uses [School Cash Online](#) for the payment of all school items such as fees, canteen cards, club/athletic fees and spirit wear.

Additional fees for upcoming option classes and co-curricular activities will be added as they are applicable.

If you have already registered for School Cash Online at another school in the Holy Spirit School Division, you will see the 2024-2025 St. Francis school fees in September. If you are new to Holy Spirit, you will need your student's ASN to register which can be found in PowerSchool.

If you prefer to pay by cash or cheque you can always do so by coming into the office. (Credit and debit cards are no longer accepted.)



St. Francis Junior High uses [PowerSchool](#) as its student information system. It provides parent and student portals which gives users access to real-time information including attendance, grades and assignment descriptions and report cards. Be sure to log in to your Parent PowerSchool portal often to monitor your student's academic progress. If you are unsure of how to access PowerSchool please contact the school at 403-327-3402.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHECK OUT THE [SF SCHOOL CALENDAR](#)

May 6:	Marian Pilgrimage
May 7:	Marian Mass
May 15:	FNMI AWARDS NIGHT
May 19:	Victoria Day, No School
May 20:	PD Day, No School
May 27:	FLA 9 PAT (Part A)
May 29:	ELA 9 PAT (Part A)

GRADE 9 FAREWELL - JUNE 5TH, 6:00PM

Registration & Transportation Information

Reminder to complete your registration forms for the 2025/2026 school year.

Transportation Forms will be sent out early May 2025

For more information please contact the school office, 403-327-3402

Please inform the office of any address changes as soon as possible!



June 2025- Final Exam Schedule

Tuesday May 27th, 2025

- ❖ FLA 9 PAT (Part A): **9CH** - This will be written during regular school hours.

Thursday, May 29th, 2025

- ❖ ELA 9 PAT (Part A): **9JH, 9RB** Students will be writing in regular scheduled school hours.

June 19th, 20th, 23rd, 24th, 25th: (EXAM DAYS)

- Students must be in class for **8:00 am** for attendance and instruction
- **Students only attend on the days they have a scheduled exam.**
- **Staggered Dismissal:**
 - **Grade 7:** will be dismissed at 9:30**
 - **Grade 8:** will be dismissed at 9:45**
 - **Grade 9:** will be dismissed at 10:00**
- Students may stay longer to finish their exams if required. The above times are the earliest they will be dismissed.
- **Students are expected to leave the school when they have finished their exam. Students must leave the building once they leave the classroom. If rides are not available, students must stay in their homeroom until their ride comes.**
- **THERE IS NO BUSSING at this time - only at the regular end of day time (3:00 pm).**
- Exams are written in homerooms.
- Students must have a pencil/pen, eraser, calculator.

Thursday, June 19th, 2025

- ❖ ELA 9 PAT (Part B) - 9JH, 9RB
- ❖ ELA 8 Finals - all grade 8 classes
- ❖ ELA 7 Finals - all grade 7 classes

Friday June 20th, 2025

- ❖ FLA PAT (Part B): 9CH
- ❖ Math Finals - all grade 8 classes
- ❖ Math Finals - all grade 7 classes

Monday, June 23rd, 2025

- ❖ Math 9 PAT: (Part A & B) - 9CH, 9AW, 9CS, 9PK, 9MV
- ❖ FLA 8JR - Finals
- ❖ FLA 7HD - Finals

Tuesday, June 24th, 2025

- ❖ Social 9 PAT: 9CH, 9AW, 9CS, 9PK, 9MV
- ❖ Social 8 Finals: all grade 8 classes
- ❖ Social 7 Finals : All grade 7 classes

Wednesday, June 25th, 2025

- ❖ Science 9 PAT - 9JH, 9RB
- ❖ Science 8 Finals- All grade 8 classes
- ❖ Science 7 Finals - All grade 7 classes



St. Francis Junior High

Bringing To Light The Best We Can Become



First Nations, Métis and Inuit Awards Night

Thursday
May 15, 2025
6:00 pm

333 18 Street S.
(Ceremony will be held
in the Canteen)

Welcome/Greetings
Awards Ceremony
Light Refreshments



“Share the Mission” Award Call for Nominations!

Recognizing Those Who Inspire – Nominate Someone Today!

Do you know someone who makes a difference in our school community? The **Share the Mission Award** is your opportunity to recognize those who go above and beyond to serve, lead, and inspire!

This prestigious award honors community members, parents, students, and school staff who:

- Provide outstanding service to students
- Set high standards through leadership and dedication
- Contribute to the faith-filled atmosphere of our schools
- Lead within the community and parish organizations
- Live out the values of the Holy Spirit Catholic School Division

Nominations are open until **Friday, June 6, 2025**. If you know someone who deserves to be recognized, submit your nomination today! The recipient will be honored at the division’s Opening Mass.

Nominate now! Use the [online nomination form](#) or contact Rhonda Kawa at kawarh@holyspirit.ab.ca for more details.

Let’s celebrate those who truly make a difference!



HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL DIVISION
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM

BECOME A

Homestay Family

**The Best Thing About
Memories Is Making
them!**

HOMESTAY FAMILIES PROVIDE:

- Private Bedroom,
- 3 Wholesome Meals A Day
- Study Space
- Emotional & Academic Support
- Participation in Family Activities
- WiFi Connection

HOMESTAY FAMILY BENEFITS!

- \$ 900 Per Month to Cover Expenses
- Learn Another Culture's Traditions and Customs
- Share Canadian Culture With Your Student
- Develop New Friendships and Family Ties
- Build an Interest in Culture, Language and Future Travel Opportunities

APPLY NOW

+1(403) 330 7382

homestay@holyspirit.ab.ca

Open Your Home. Enrich a Life. Become a Homestay Family!

The Holy Spirit Catholic School Division's International Student Program is welcoming students from Japan, Spain, Mexico, and Brazil and we're looking for kind, caring families like you to host them!

We are especially recruiting families from St. Mary's School (Taber) and St. Michael's School (Pincher Creek).

Students are aged 14–17 and will stay for 3-month, 5-month, or 10-month placements.

As a Homestay Family, you'll provide:

- A private bedroom and study space
- Three wholesome meals a day
- Emotional and academic support
- Participation in your family's daily life
- A Wi-Fi connection

In return, you'll receive:

- \$900/month to help cover expenses
- A chance to experience another culture
- A meaningful way to share Canadian values and lifestyle
- Lifelong friendships and lasting connections
- A new appreciation for language, culture, and travel

The best part of memories... is making them!

Interested?

Contact Natelli for an application:



(403) 330-7382



homestay@holyspirit.ab.ca



Discover Aviation



The Lethbridge Sport Flyers
COPA 24



Sign Up



Waiver

**We are hosting a Discover Aviation Day on May 24th, 2025
with a rain date of May 31st.
This is for kids ages 8 to 17. Parental permission is required.
First Timers only Please**

The flights will start at 8:30 am with the day ending about 3 pm.

**Sign up and experience the adventure!
See your teacher or main office for the information handout.**



Holy Spirit School Division wants you to come and Explore Our Mental Health and Wellness Resource Fair



Where:
Sandman
Signature
Hotel in The
Essie Ballroom
- back of
building,
Wheelchair
and stroller
accessible.

WHEN:
MAY 15 2025
12-7PM

No cost to attend
Children's Face
painting, balloon
artist, learning to
plant and much
more!

**GREAT DOOR
PRIZES EVERY
HOUR:**

FREE:
Haircuts
manicures,
Reiki and
many
interactive
booths.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE
CALL CHRISTINA - 403-308-2445
OR BILLY AT 403-635-4215**

FREE SCREENING OF A FOUR PART AWARD WINNING FILM SERIES at the Movie Mill



SCREENAGERS

6:30 PM

- MAY 28 SCREENAGERS
- JUNE 4 SCREENAGERS NEXT CHAPTER
- JUNE 11 UNDER THE INFLUENCE
- JUNE 18 SCREENAGERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EDITION

Join us for a special **FREE** screening of the award winning four part docuseries produced by Dr. Delaney Ruston, a physician and filmmaker who explores the effects of screen time on young minds.

The series provides a look at how technology impacts children's development. (I)SWAG and Holy Spirit Catholic School Division invite caregivers, educators, and students to attend. Don't miss this opportunity to find knowledge that will help guide young people toward making informed choices in this digital age.

Free Admission
and

Junior Combo for First 100 in Attendance!

For any questions please contact us at:

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Christina: blakec@holyspirit.ab.ca

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