

FATHER LEONARD VAN TIGHEM SCHOOL

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SEPTEMBER 2025

<u>Administrative Message:</u>

Welcome to the 2025 2026 School Year!

As we begin this new school year, my heart is filled with gratitude and joy. It is truly an honour and a privilege to serve as your principal for my third year in this beautiful school community. Each day, I am reminded of how blessed we are to learn, grow, and journey together in our Catholic faith.



Here at FLVT, our HAWKS virtues—Honesty, Accepting, Wise, Kind, and Spiritual—are more than just words. They are the foundation of how we treat one another, the way we approach learning, and the example we strive to set for the world. This year, I encourage each of us to live out these virtues with intention:

- Honesty in our words and actions.
- Accepting of each person's unique gifts and challenges.
- Wise in the choices we make.
- Kind to one another, always.
- o Spiritual in nurturing our relationship with God.

Our Catholic faith is at the heart of everything we do. It is a special blessing to be part of a faith-filled community where prayer, service, and the teachings of Christ guide our daily lives. Together, we not only strive for academic excellence but also for growth in character and spirit.

I warmly welcome all our new and returning students, and extend a special welcome to the new staff joining us this year—you are now part of a community that supports, celebrates, and lifts one another up.

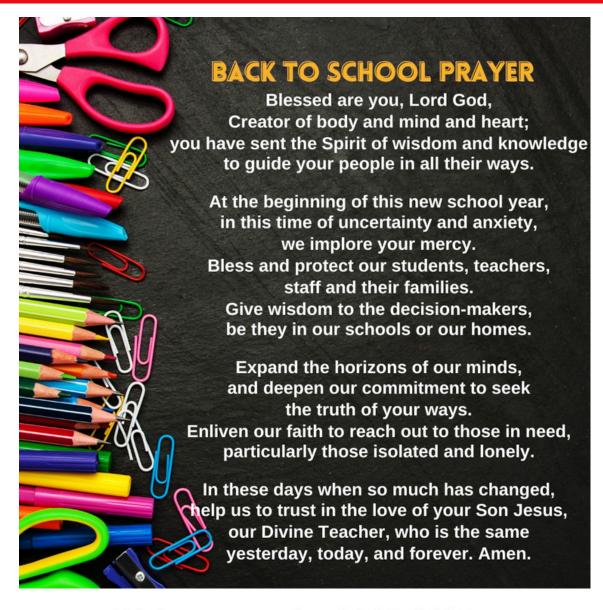
Let us enter this year with excitement, openness, and faith, trusting that God has great things in store for our school family. I look forward to all that we will learn, share, and achieve together as HAWKS.

May God bless our school and each of you in the year ahead.

In Christ,

Mrs. Shannon Collier Mii ss ta Ki an nis Ki a Kii Father Leonard Van Tighem Principal

WELCOME BACK



Welcome to the 2025-2026

School Year First Day of School

Tuesday, Sept 2

Grade 1-7 8:45-3:50

Grade 8-9 1:00-3:50

Monday, Sept 8

ELP & Kindergarten

DATES TO REMEMBER...

September 2025

2 Grade 1-7 first day of school 8:45am start

Grade 8-9 first day of school 1:00pm start

- Jr. High volleyball tryouts. See online co curricular calendar for times
- **3** Jr. High volleyball tryouts continue please see cocurricular calendar for up to date times
- 4 Welcome Back: Meet the Teachers Evening. 5-7pm Volleyball tryouts continue... Old Dutch School Fundraiser starts
 - 5' Land Control of an analysis starts
- 8 First day of school ELP & Kindergarten
- 11 Radical Red Day Terry Fox Blast Off Run JH Baking Booster Club
- 16 JH Drama Club School Council/AGM 7pm
- 17 School Picture Day
- 18 Great Green DayGr 9 LSAA Cities at Nicholas SheranJH Baking Booster Club
- **19** Choir Gr 1, 2, 3 JH Games Club
- 19-20 Jr. Hawks Home Vball Tournament
- 22 JH Shrek Auditions
- 23 FLVT Opening Mass @ FLVT JH Drama Club
- 24 Gr 6-8 LSAA Cities at Nicholas Sheran
 JH Shrek Auditions

Holy Spirit Board Meeting @ CEC

25 Orange Shirt Day - Every Child Matters JH Shrek Auditions

JH Fall Dance

Old Dutch Fundraiser deadline

- **26** Choir Gr 1, 2, 3 JH Games Club
- 29 NO SCHOOL PD Day for staff
- 30 NO SCHOOL National Day for Truth and Reconciliation



FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION - PLEASE USE OUR ONLINE CALENDAR https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/calendar

NEED TO FIND INFORMATION FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR...

Please click on the following links for more information.

FLVT website: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/

Bell Times: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/bell_times

Calendar (school based events): https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/calendar

Co-curricular Athletics Calendar: Athletic Calendar

Co-curricular Performing Arts: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/performing_arts

Bussing Information: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/transportation

Fee Payments: https://holyspirit.schoolcashonline.com/

School Supplies: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/supply_lists

School Council Meeting Dates & Minutes: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/school_council

Divisional Website: https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/flvthawks/

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/flvthawks/

Student Handbook: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/student_handbook



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WAYS TO CONNECT WITH US... stayed informed through our website, newsletters, emails and through our social media channels.

- Check out our website https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/ for access to calendars, school fees, newsletters, bell times... you name it, it's there!
- Follow us on Facebook and Instagram
- Download the PowerSchool App or bookmark it on your device for information about your child's progress (Jr High) and attendance.
- Subscribe to our monthly (sometimes twice a month) newsletter.
- Ensure your email information and phone numbers are up-to-date in PowerSchool by letting the office know as there are often call outs and frequent email updates. Please email us a flvtoffice@holyspirit.ab.ac with any changes to phone numbers, addresses, contacts...
- If all else fails, call the school at 403-381-0953 and someone will help you find the information you are searching for.

SchoolCash Online

SchoolCash Online and School Fees The Holy Spirit School Division uses School Cash Online which provides you with the convenience of paying online for school items such as school fees, trips, co-curricular fees, etc. Go to https://holyspirit.schoolcashonline.com/ to register online. Once you have registered your child, you will be able to see all fees owing for your student. All fees are posted on the website, under the "Our School" tab on our main page and attached to this newsletter.





Father Leonard Van Tighem School Fees 2025 2026 School Year:

General: BLAST After School Transportation to St. Martha's (charged to those registered) Technology Integration (all grades 1-9) Agenda Books First Aid Fee New Locks Used Locks School Council - all grades	Fees: \$250.00 \$10.00 \$10.00 \$2.00 \$9.25 \$5.00 \$5.00
Elementary: Kindergarten Field Trips, celebrations and supplies Field Trips - Grade 1 Field Trips - Grade 2 Field Trips - Grade 3 Field Trips - Grade 4 Field Trips - Grade 5 Field Trips - Grade 6 Grade 6 Camp Ski Trip - Grades 5-6 Music 4 Recorders and Books Choir Elementary Swim Day (June) Natural Leaders (grade 5)	Fees: \$50.00 \$40.00 \$40.00 \$40.00 \$40.00 \$45.00 \$45.00 \$250.00 \$150.00 \$25.00 \$10.00 \$30.00
Junior High: Quebec Trip (students registered to travel to Quebec in the spring) Field Trips - Grade 7 Field Trips - Grade 8 Field Trips - Grade 9	Fees: \$2,500.00 \$75.00 \$75.00 \$75.00
Junior High Options: Handcrafts CO2 Car Design Art (art optical illusions, drawing, painting, print making) Scuba for Physical Pursuits CTS Foods (basics, dessert, food truck, cakes/muffins, baked goods) DIY Home Reno Shop Woodworking Faith in Action Hockey French Cooking Basketball Option Winter Pursuits with Ski Trip Physical Pursuits Cosmetology Drama: Stage Make Up Lifestyle Fitness Electronic Music Production Song Writing and Recording World Music	Fees: \$20.00 \$20.00 \$10.00 \$75.00 \$50.00 \$30.00 \$10.00 \$100.00 \$50.00 \$175.00 \$140.00 \$40.00 \$30.00 \$75.00 \$10.00 \$20.00





Guitar Rock band Jewelry Making Sports Medicine Golf Indoor Golf Martial Arts Bowling Photography Option Projects, Activities, Community Service Option (PACS) E-Sports (rental)		\$10.00 \$20.00 \$30.00 \$80.00 \$150.00 \$200.00 \$160.00 \$25.00 \$30.00 \$20.00
2 Sports (remai)		Ψ20.00
Extracurricular Fees: Cross Country		Fees: \$25.00
Volleyball – Elementary	\$50.00	\$23.00
Volleyball Grade 7 (Developmental League)	Ψ50.00	\$140.00
Volleyball Junior Varsity		\$190.00
Volleyball Senior Varsity		\$215.00
Basketball Jr Elementary Hawks		\$50.00
Basketball Grade 7 (Developmental League)		\$150.00
Basketball Junior Varsity		\$200.00
Basketball Senior Varsity		\$225.00
Badminton Grades 6-9		\$50.00
Track and Field Grade 6-9		\$20.00
Zone Competitions		\$50.00
Beading Club		\$30.00
Scrap Booking Club Musical Cost (or stops)		\$50.00
Musical - Cast (on stage)		\$80.00
Musical - Crew (backstage) Choir		\$35.00 \$25.00
Marathon Running Club breakfast package		\$80.00
Running Club		\$50.00
Cycling		\$50.00
Book Club – JH		\$20.00
Book Club – Elementary		\$5.00
Career Transition/Epic Day		\$10.00

NEW STAFF

FLVT Welcomes Cason Machacek

Hello! My name is Cason Machacek, and I'm thrilled and grateful to be joining the Father Leonard Van Tighem learning community. I am passionate about leadership for learning, athletics, and faith development, and I look forward to fostering effective relationships with staff, students, and stakeholders. I am excited to journey both academically and spiritually with the families and learners of Father Leonard Van Tighem School, opening wide the doors of our Catholic faith to know God, love God, and serve God!



FLVT Welcomes Noah LeBleu



Hello FLVT community! My name is Noah LeBleu, and I will be teaching grade 9 math this year until around the end of April. I just finished my education degree at the University of Lethbridge with a specialization in physics, so this is my first ever full time teaching position, and I can't wait to get started! While this is my first opportunity to be at FLVT as a teacher, I have already spent II years in the building as a learner myself from Pre-K to grade 9, so I do have deep roots in the school's community, as well as the CCH community where I attended high school. My main interests are around athletics, as I played volleyball, baseball and badminton while attending both FLVT and CCH as a student, and then specialized in baseball for my

collegiate athletic career, spending 4 years with the Prairie Baseball Academy as a pitcher, with some time spent with the Lethbridge Bulls for summer ball as well. Recently my sporting interests have turned to golf, as I spent the entire summer golfing and meeting lots of new people. In addition to teaching math and some option courses this year, I am also coaching the senior boys volleyball team, and plan to be heavily involved in badminton when that time of year comes around too. I am very much looking forward to this school year, and meeting all of the students who are in the same spot I was what seems like only such a short time ago! Go Hawks!

NEW STAFF

FLVT Welcomes Jackie Machacek



Hi my name is Jackie Machacek, I am a mom to 3 busy kids. When I'm not at a pool or a rink for my kids I enjoy reading, camping and hiking.

I'm excited to be back at Father Leonard Van Tighem in the kindergarten morning class and looking forward to a great year!

FLVT Welcomes Steve Payne

My name is Steve Payne, and I have been with the district for 10 years. I am married with 2 sons and enjoy reading and all things outdoors. Thanks for the warm welcome to FLVT.



FLVT Welcomes Jen Pelletier



Hello FLVT Family!

I am beyond thrilled to be rejoining Father Leonard Van Tighem School this year as the Grade 9 Social Studies teacher. I feel truly blessed to return to this warm and faith-filled school to learn and grow alongside this community.

I look forward to exploring important ideas with students, encouraging thoughtful discussions, and helping them discover how our learning connects to the world around us. Guided by our Catholic values, I hope to create a classroom where every student feels respected, supported, and inspired to grow both academically and in their faith.

Outside of the classroom, I enjoy spending time with my three children, reading, being creative, and exploring outdoors.

I am grateful for the opportunity to walk alongside students and families on this journey, and I look forward to a meaningful and rewarding school year together.

Blessings,

Ms. Jennifer Pelletier

STUDENT TEACHERS

FLVT Welcomes Raavi Dhir



Dear Staff and community,

Firstly, I would like to thank you for this opportunity, I am writing this letter to formally introduce myself. I graduated from the UofL in 2023, attaining my Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences and minoring in Anthropology. Throughout my undergrad, I went back and forth with the idea of pursuing teaching, however, it was not until close to the end of my degree that I began to be drawn to teaching. I was heavily inspired by my peers, albeit they were becoming English teachers, to look more into teaching and how I could make an impact that way.

Growing up, I loved science and history, and my primary school teachers

fostered a great environment for me to go above and beyond what was taught in school, they cultivated my interest in reading encyclopedias and

watching scientific documentaries and historical ones too. Through middle school and high school, I loved science class, specifically biology. I loved all parts of biology, especially ecology. While those are more academic reasons for why I would like to become a teacher, there is a more holistic reason as to why I would like to become a teacher as well. I believe that teaching is nothing without human connection. Through my experience as a student, I saw that when teachers inspired and looked out for their students it was a positive experience for all. I hope that I too can have a similar impact on the young people I will get to work with. After graduating last year, I took about a year off, and at that time, I worked at Kumon as an early learner's assistant. I thoroughly enjoyed working with the young students. At first, it was daunting, but over the next several months, I began to see not only their progress but also how there was a relationship of trust and mutual respect between the students and myself. That was the most rewarding part of that job. While I can come off as shy initially, I believe I can connect with the school community very well and form a great relationship. I look forward to learning from observing the classroom and other staff and community members. I am eager to meet the class I will be working with, and I hope I can make a good impression on the young people I'll be meeting soon! Sincerely, Raavi Dhir

FLVT Welcomes Zaira Miller-Shackleton

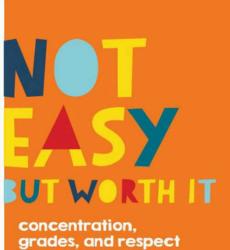
Hi! My name is Zaira Miller-Shackleton and I will be joining Father Leonard Van Tighem school this fall for my third professional semester at the University of Lethbridge. I will be grade 7 math and helping out with multiple physical education classes. Personally, these are my two favourite subjects, therefore I am ecstatic to begin! One of my passions is playing and coaching sports (as I played basketball and college volleyball), therefore I hope to spread my joy by coaching volleyball in the 2025 school year! I also enjoy hiking/travelling, as I have backpacked some special places including Guatemala, Vietnam, Indonesia and more! During my summers, I work as a lifeguard and swim instructor at an outdoor pool. It's a pretty sweet job! I can't wait to begin in the classroom and be a part of the wonderful FLVT community!



SCHOOL FUNDRAISER







grades, and respect go up when phones go away.

THE DAY ...

check the facts.

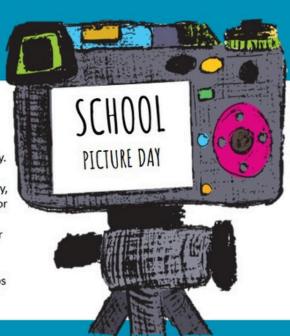
School Picture Day Wednesday, September 17

All students & grades will be accommodated on this day.

If you are in Early Learning and do not attend on this day, please stop in between 8:50-9:20am & 12:40-1:10pm for your child's photo to be taken.

Retakes are tentatively scheduled for Monday, October 6th.

Photos this year will be taken by Mountain West Studios





CANTEEN MENU

REGULAR MENU ITEMS

Hamburger	\$4.00
Cheeseburger	\$4.50
Hot Dog	\$2.00
Milk (chocolate)	\$2.00
Muffins	\$2.00
Yogurt Berry Parfait	\$3.00
Pizza Sub	\$5.00
Chicken Wraps (Ranch, Cae	esar, Buffalo) \$5.00
Grilled Chicken Vermice	elli Salad . \$7.00
Chicken Caesar Salad	d \$6.50
Nachos & Cheese	\$4.00

Watch monthly calendar for daily specials.

Elementary Nutrition Break 10:58 am Elementary Lunch Break 1:10 pm Junior High Breaks 11:19 am

FORKS AND/OR SPOONS ARE NOT AVAILABLE PLEASE BRING THEM FROM HOME

*Prices (changes) will be posted in the canteen

Wondering how to pay for lunches and/or snacks in the canteen?
Lunch credits/tab will be available again this year!
The students use the credit to purchase their food & drinks.

Payment options include:

School Cash Online, cash, cheques payable to Kayla Knowles or pay by etransfer to kkchapman15@gmail.com and "Debit tap" is also available

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, EVENTS & MORE...

SCHOOL PICTURE DAY - WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 17

All students and grades will be accommodated on this day. If you are in Early Learning and do not attend on this day, please stop into the school in between 8:55-9:25 am & 12:40-1:10 pm for your child's photo to be taken.

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BIKES & SCOOTERS

Please be sure to lock up your bikes at scooters at all times. Rack are provided.

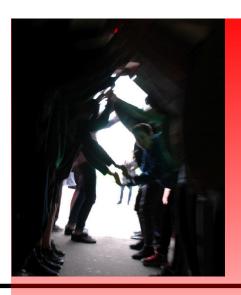
EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Within the next few weeks we will be holding fire drills and practicing our lockdown and evacuation procedures. Sometime in September, the fire department will be working with us to ensure that our emergency plans function well for us. You can help us out a great deal by making sure that your children understand the importance of always having shoes on their feet. There is no time during an evacuation of any kind to be hunting for footwear.

Your paragraph text

DRESS CODE

Dress by our faith and the following guidelines: students are to use good social judgment, including knowing what is appropriate to wear (clean, neat, modest clothing). Clothing will not include or contain profane gestures, inappropriate language, advertise alcohol and drugs or promote gang activity (perceived or not). Clothing must cover waistlines (front and back) and buttocks, and underwear cannot be visible. Please contact the school if you require more information.



Terry Fox Blast Off Run Thursday, September 11th

Be sure to wear red and bring in "Toonies for Terry"

Proceeds will go to Cancer

Research

Radical Red Day Thursday, September 11th

Take part in color days and earn intramural points for your homeroom class

LIBRARY SERVICES

The Library Clerk works to assist students in finding materials and information. Students are welcomed and encouraged to use the library.

- Loan periods are two weeks for books and one week for magazines.
- Kindergarten-Grade 2 students may borrow up to 2 items.
- Grade 3-4 students may borrow up to 4 items.
- Grade 5-9 students may borrow up to 5 items.
- Items can be renewed as needed unless another student has placed a hold on the item.
- Students are responsible for their borrowed materials, including textbooks assigned to Junior High students. Lost or damaged book fines will be assessed on an individual basis.
- Late or lost materials will lose borrowing privileges until the material(s) are returned or paid for.



Opening Mass at FLVT Tuesday, Sept 23 at 10:00am

We welcome all families to join us throughout this school year for our Liturgical celebrations.

Wear Orange to school on
Thursday, September 25
Every Child Matters!
National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
Sept 30 - No School



FLVT School Council Meeting

"Many hands building a better world"

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETINGS

2025-2026 Meeting Dates

First Meeting & AGM

Tuesday, September 16th , 2025 7:00 p.m. - Initial Meeting & AGM

Tuesday, October 7th, 2025 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 4th, 2025 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 9th, 2025 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 13th, 2026 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 10th, 2026 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 10th, 2026 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 14th, 2026 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 12th, 2026 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 16th, 2026 7:00 p.m.



*Dates subject to change. Please confirm with online FLVT Calendar

Contact your school council representatives at: flvtschoolcouncil@gmail.com

Did you know you can make donations directly to our school through our website? You get a tax receipt instantly too!





JUNIOR HIGH AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



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Parent volunteers needed



JUNIOR HIGH AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



Join us for fun and games every

Friday 11:30am - 1:00pm

in Room 26

Students and Guardians are responsible for arranging a way home from the school after games club is complete.





NEW THIS YEAR!!
3 CHOIRS!

LOWER ELEMENTARY CHOIR

(GRADES 1-3)
REHEARSALS ON FRIDAYS 11:30-12:30
SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER

UPPER ELEMENTARY CHOIR

(GRADES 4-6)

REHEARSALS ON FRIDAYS 11:30-12:30

JANUARY-JUNE

JUNIOR HIGH CHOIR

(GRADES 7-9)

REHEARSALS IN OPTION TIMESLOT

DURING QUARTER 2 & 3

FINAL CONCERT IN EARLY JUNE!

PERFORMANCES! TRIPS! LEADERSHIP! PARTIES! FUN!

SEE MRS. LARSEN IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS!





Want to go on the 2026 Choir Trip?

JOINJH CHOIR!!

Planning for March/April 2026 Cost applied Fundraising opportunities

BUILD COMMUNITY! CREATE MEMORIES! MAKE FRIENDS!





Auditions

September 22, 5:00 - 7:00 pm

September 24, 4:00 - 6:00 pm

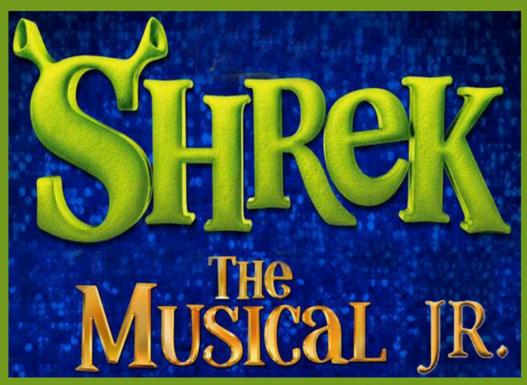
September 25, 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Grade 7 -9 students, sign up for a 10 minute time slot individually or in a group following the instructions in your Audition Package!





FLVT brings you...



... May 5 & 6, 2026



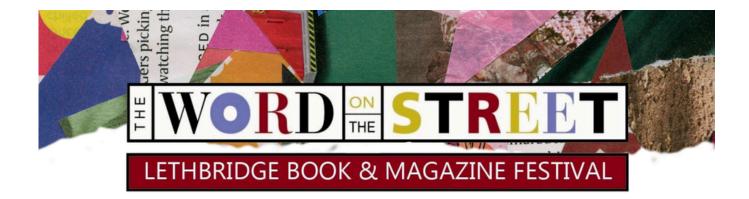
FIND YOUR GROOVE AT THE LIBRARY

Sign up for a free library card (or renew your existing one) during the month of September and you might just score a funky sweatshirt or nifty tote bag



lethlib.ca/join





15TH ANNIVERSARY

September 20, 2025 | 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Lethbridge Public Library - Main Branch

Featuring Authors

Linda Bailey | Crave Bakery | Maggie Helwig Ryan North | Jessica Waite | Kevin Van Tighem | and more!

Live Music | Food Trucks | Workshops | Author Signings | Marketplace

Celebrating Reading. Advocating Literacy.

For full events details visit thewordonthestreet.ca/lethbridge



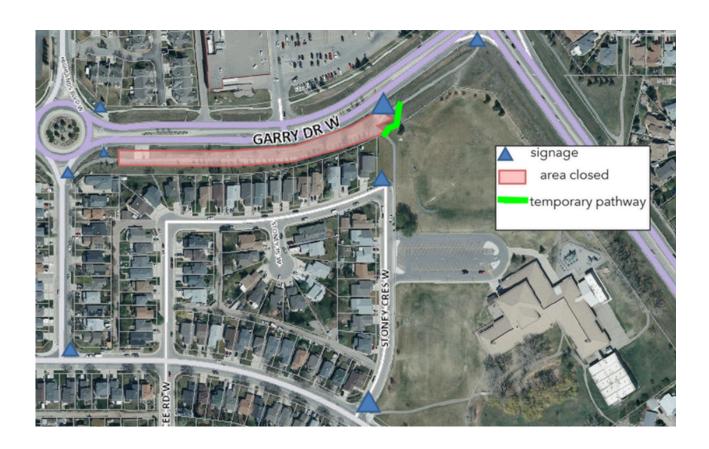
CITY OF LETHBRIDGE PATHWAY WORK

The City of Lethbridge plans to remediate the heavily damaged asphalt pathway along Garry Drive W up to the walkway that leads to Father Leonard Van Tighem School.

Work will begin Thursday September 4 with tree removal. The pathway will only be closed during the hours that the crew is taking down the tree.

The entire area in red will be closed as of Monday September 8, 2025 for approximately 4 weeks for the pathway removal and replacement.

The City will create a temporary pedestrian access to the walkway to Stoney Cres W that will be available for the entirety of construction (green). There will also be pathway detour signs put up at the roundabout to direct pedestrians to the sidewalk on Red Crow Blvd W (blue).



Elementary

Bell Times 2025-2026

Monday-Thursday					
Warning Bell	8:45-8:50				
Homeroom	8:50-9:10				
1	9:10-9:46				
2	9:46-10:22				
3	10:22-10:58				
Nutrition Break	10:58-11:08				
Recess	11:08-11:28				
4	11:28-12:02				
5	12:02-12:36				
6	12:36-1:10				
Nutrition Break	1:10-1:26				
Recess	1:26-1:41				
7	1:41-2:19				
8	2:19-2:57				
9	2:57-3:34				
Homeroom	3:34-3:50				

Friday					
Warning Bell	8:45-8:50				
Homeroom	8:50-9:10				
1	9:10-9:43				
2	9:43-10:16				
3	10:16-10:49				
4	10:49-11:23				

Early Learning Program

Monday to Thursday AM 8:40 – 11:40 PM 12:40 – 3:40

Kindergarten

Monday to Thursday AM 8:50 -11:50 PM 12:50 - 3:50

Junior High

Bell Times 2025-2026

Monday-Thursday			Fric	lay
Warning Bell	8:45-8:50		Warning Bell	8:45-8:50
Morning Prayer	8:50 – 9:00		1	8:50-9:39
1	9:00-9:45		2	9:41-10:30
2	9:47-10:32		3	10:32-11:23
3	10:34-11:19			
Lunch	11:19 – 12:08			
4	12:08 – 12:53			
5	12:55 – 1:40			
6 Options	1:41-3:00			
Break	3:00 – 3:05			
7	3:05 – 3:50			



NOTICE TO PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF RELIGIOUS PERMEATION

Section 58.1 of the *Education Act* requires a school board to give notice to a parent or guardian when courses of study, education programs, institutional materials, instruction or exercises include subject matter that deals primarily and explicitly with religion. All of the schools in this division are Catholic Separate Schools, the essential purpose of which is to fully permeate Catholic theology, philosophy, practices and beliefs, the principles of the Gospel and teachings of the Catholic Church, in all aspects of school life, including in the curriculum of every subject taught, both in and outside of formal religion classes, celebrations and exercises. Every course of study and educational program, all institutional materials, instruction and exercises will at all times include subject matter that deals primarily and explicitly with religion.



FAIR NOTICE LETTER

Dear Parents / Guardians,

The Holy Spirit Catholic School Division is committed to providing safe learning environments for all students, staff, school visitors and community members. When a student behaves inappropriately, principals use progressive discipline to help a student take responsibility for their actions, change their behavior and learn from their mistakes.

When students' behaviors pose a potential threat to safety or serious harm, the Southwest Alberta Regional Violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) Protocol assists administrators in taking the necessary steps to protect the well-being of students and staff. This protocol ensures that schools can respond promptly to worrisome behaviors or threatening incidents, such as possession of a weapon or replica, bomb threats or plans, verbal, written, or electronic (internet, text) threats to harm oneself or others, as well as other acts of violence, including fire-setting.

The protocol requires trained division staff and community partners to work together as a team to complete an Assessment of Risk to Others (ARTO) whenever a student threatens to harm others. The ARTO process leverages the team's knowledge, skills, and experience to assess the level of concern and identify appropriate interventions to protect individuals from harm and ensure a safe environment in both the school and the community. A multi-disciplinary approach is used to address these concerns. Please be advised that the school team will take positive and proactive measures to address all known threats or high-risk behaviors. If you are invited to a meeting to discuss safety concerns about your child, please be assured that our protocol is being followed and that our primary goal is ensuring safety.

The Southwest Alberta Regional VTRA Protocol outlines how a school should respond immediately to threatening behavior. Principals may first assemble a School Threat Assessment Team, ideally comprising the principal or associate principal, a school-based counselor or jurisdictional lead, and local police. If the situation is serious, the principal may also consult the Superintendent of Schools and involve members of the Community Threat Assessment Team. This team may include representatives from local police, children's mental health organizations, or Child and Family Services, among other community agencies that collaborate with us to enhance school safety. Parents/guardians will be notified as soon as possible during the Stage I - VTRA Process. If parents/guardians cannot be reached, but a safety concern persists, the threat assessment may proceed. Personal information shared during this process will respect and balance each individual's right to privacy with the need to ensure everyone's safety.

This letter complies with procedure 2 of Administrative Procedure 322: Violence Threat / Risk Assessment (V-TRA) Protocol, which states that parents/ guardians will be provided with "fair notice" that each threat will be taken seriously. Should you wish to further review this Administrative Procedure, please visit our website at www.holyspirit.ab.ca.

If you have any questions regarding the Holy Spirit Catholic School Division's use of the Southwest Alberta Regional V-TRA Protocol, please contact the Director of Support Services at the St. Basil Catholic Education Centre. We appreciate your support in ensuring our schools are safe environments for our students, staff and community partners.

Sincerely,

Chantel Axani, Superintendent of Schools



2025 LCBC IGNITE!

Lethbridge Cougars Basketball Club FALL PROGRAM SIGNUP

- IF YOU ARE IN GRADE 4-7, ENROLLED AT A HOLY SPIRIT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, YOU ARE INVITED TO BE APART OF "LCBC Ignite!"
- LCBC'S FALL DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAM
- Program Includes: Skill Development & Exhibition Games
- LOCATION: Ecole St. Mary's: 422-20th Street South

Grade 4-5 CO-ED (6 sessions) WEEKLY ON MONDAYS scheduled at 5:00-6:15 OR 6:15-7:30 (will change week to week)	PROGRAM RUNS: September 8-October 27, 2025 (not including September 29 & October 13)
Grade 6-7 BOYS (6 sessions) WEEKLY ON TUESDAYS scheduled at 5:30-6:45 OR 6:45-8:00 (will change week to week)	PROGRAM RUNS: September 9-October 28, 2025 (not including September 30 & October 14)
Grade 6-7 GIRLS (7 sessions) WEEKLY ON WEDNESDAYS scheduled at 6:30-8:00pm	PROGRAM RUNS: September 10-October 29, 2025 (not including October 15)

IMPORTANT NOTES FOR "LCBC Ignite!" PROGRAM:

- PLEASE ARRIVE 5 MINUTES EARLY
- BRING PROPER COURT SHOES, SHORTS, & WATER BOTTLE.
- "LCBC Ignite!" T-shirt (included in \$100 program fee)
- EVERYONE IN GRADE 4 -7 FROM HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOLS ARE WELCOME
- ONLY 40 SPOTS/PROGRAM AVAILABLE! REGISTER FAST → <u>lethbridgecougars.ca</u>
 or Scan Qr Code. Deadline to Register: Friday, September 5th or until spots are filled
- CONTACT <u>lethhbridgecougarsbasketball@gmail.com</u> for more information
- TeamLinkt App will be used for schedule.





2025-2026 INDOOR SOCCER REGISTRATION LYS LEAGUE

www.lethbridgesoccer.com // 403-320-5425 (KICK)

ONLINE ONLY:

August 1 - September 8, 2025

INDOOR SOCCER SEASON STARTS: October 2025 - March 2026 ALL SESSIONS HELD AT THE SERVUS SPORTS CENTRE **INDOOR LEAGUE IS BASED ON TOTAL

NUMBER OF SESSIONS FOR THE SEASON**

Register your player in their BIRTH YEAR (all age groups are from birth dates January 1 - December 31 of specified year)

Players will remain playing in their age groups no movement up or down an age group

Player Request Fee \$40.00 - 2 PLAYERS ONLY!

If there are not enough registrants per gender in U12 age group - Will be be combined CoEd



Age Group	<u>Birthyear</u>	<u>Fee</u>	# of games	Days Playing	**ESTIMATED START TIMES**
U5 CoEd	2021	\$275.00	17 (40 min. sessions)	Monday	5:00pm
U6 CoEd	2020	\$275.00	17 (40 min. sessions)	Wednesday	5:00pm
U8 Boys	2018 & 2019	\$275.00	17 (40 min. sessions)	Mondays and Saturdays	Mon 5:00pm and Sat 9:00am
U8 Girls	2018 & 2019	\$275.00	17 (40 min. sessions)	Mondays and Saturdays	Mon 5:00pm and Sat 9:00am
U10 Boys	2016 & 2017	\$325.00	21 (55 min. sessions)	Mondays and Saturdays	Mon 6:00pm* - Sat 12:00pm*
U10 Girls	2016 & 2017	\$325.00	21 (55 min. sessions)	Mondays and Saturdays	Mon 6:00pm* - Sat 12:00pm*
U12 Boys	2014 & 2015	\$400.00	27 (55 min. sessions)	Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays	Wed 6:00pm*- Fri 5:30pm* - Sat 3:00pm*
U12 Girls	2014 & 2015	\$400.00	27 (55 min. sessions)	Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays	Wed 6:00pm*- Fri 5:30pm* - Sat 3:00pm*
U14 CoEd	2012 & 2013	\$400.00	27 (55 min. sessions)	Wednesdays and Saturdays	Wed 6:00pm* - Sat 5:00pm*
U16 CoEd	2010 & 2011	\$400.00	27 (55 min. sessions)	Mondays and Saturdays	Evenings
U18 CoEd	2008 & 2009	\$400.00	27 (55 min. sessions)	Mondays and Saturdays	Evenings

Start times are subject to change due to registration numbers and are provided as a guideline only

PLAYER EQUIPMENT:

U5 & U6, Timbits Jersey, shorts & socks will be provided for each player to keep.
U8 - U18, Full Kit Jersey, Shorts & Socks will be provided for each player to keep.

Soccer Shoes or Soccer Cleats are acceptable, Shin Guards are MANDATORY - Not included in player fees

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:



U5 & U6 TIMBITS: This is our introductory level, where all sessions are run by our CSA Certified Coaches who will help your child build a love for the ball.

U8 - U12 FUNDAMENTAL: At this stage, individual player development is paramount. Developing soccer creativity skills in a fun enviornment.

U14 & U16 LEARN TO TRAIN: Golden Age of Learning, that learnt technical skills are introduced to the beginning of the tactical enviornment.

U18 LEARN THE GAME Combining previously developed technical and tactical skills, into a more mature game setting.

Father Leonard Van Tighem 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

Aug 25 First day for staff Aug. 26 New Teacher Orientation Aug 27/28- First Aid/SIVA for those interested

Aug 29 Opening Mass - Division

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Oct 13 Thanksgiving Day Oct. 14 -Spiritual Development Day Oct. 15 - Divisional Collaboration Day Oct 22 - Div. Board Meeting

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Dec 17 Div. Board Meeting Dec 19 Last day before break Dec 20 Christmas break Dec 25 Christmas Day Dec 26 Boxing Day

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Feb 16 Family Day Feb 17 + 18 - Non-operational Feb 19 & 20 SWATCA Feb 25 Div. Board Meeting

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Apr 2 Last day before Easter break Apr 3 Good Friday Apr 6 Easter Monday Apr Easter break Apr 13 First day after break Apr 29 Div. Board Meeting

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Jun 24 Div. Board Meeting June 25 Last day students June 26 Last day for teachers

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Sept 1 Labour Day Sept 2 First day for students Sept 24 Div. Board Meeting Sept 29 PD Day Sept 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

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Nov. 3 - Lethbridge Schools PD Day Nov 10 Wellness Day Nov 11 Remembrance Day Nov 19 Parent Teacher Interviews Nov 20 Parent Teacher Interviews Nov 26 Div. Board Meeting

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Jan 1 New Year's Day Jan 5 First day after break Jan. 26 - Lethbridge School PD Day Jan 28 Div. Board Meeting

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May 18 Victoria Day May 19 Lethbridge Schools PD Day May 27 Div. Board Meeting

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No students
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School PD/Div. PD/Spiritual
Dev./Collab. Days
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7 Old & Uutch School Fundraiser	First Day of School ELP & Kindergarten Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$5	9 Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$5	Mac and Cheese \$3 & Pulled Pork \$3	11 Radical Red Day Terry Fox Blast Off Run JH Baking Booster Club 4-5:15pm Chicken Burger \$5	12	13
Old S Outch School Fundraiser	15 Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$5	16 7pm School Council Meeting & AGM Jr High Drama Club 4-5pm Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$5	School Photo Day Taco & Mexi Fries \$5	18 Great Green Day Gr 9 Cities @ Nicholas Sheran JH Baking Booster Club 4-5:15pm Chicken Burger \$5	Jr. Hawks Home Tourney Choir Gr 1,2,3 11:30-12:30 Jr High Games Club 11:30-1:00	Jr. Hawks Home Tourney
STREK MUSICAL JR. Jr. High Auditions this week	22 5-7pm Shrek Auditions Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$5	23 10:00am Opening Mass @ FLVT Jr High Drama Club 4-5pm Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$5	24 Cities for Gr 6-8 @ Nicholas Sheran 4-6pm Shrek Auditions 3-5pm Holy Spirit Board Meeting at District Office Taco in a bag \$6.50 PRE ORDER	25 Orange Shirt Day - Every Child Matters 4-6pm Shrek Auditions JH Fall Dance 7-9pm Old Dutch Fundraiser Deadline TODAY Chicken Burger \$5	26 Choir Gr 1,2,3 11:30-12:30 Jr High Games Club 11:30-1:00	27
28	School PD Day No Students	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation	https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/	ts calendars can be found o		HONEST ACCEPTING WISE KIND KIND SPIRITUAL