



September 16, 2021

Dear Parents,

We are writing to inform you of a change to the school calendar for the 2021-2022 school year to recognize the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation on September 30. September 30 becomes a day off for all CSCE students and staff. In order to regain an instructional day and meet Ministry of Education standards in terms of annual teaching hours, January 28, 2022 becomes an instructional day instead of an professional development day.

As you recall, at the end of June 2021, the federal government declared September 30 to be the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation and made it a holiday for all employees of the public service and federal government institutions. At the end of August 2021, the Alberta government stated that this day would not be recognized as a holiday here but that employers could make their own decisions in this regard. The Board has decided to take concrete steps in support of First Nations by declaring September 30th a holiday. School teams will implement reflection and engagement activities with students during Truth and Reconciliation Week, September 27 to October 1. These initiatives will be a starting point in acknowledging the history and legacy of residential schools.

We thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

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