CCA Connections October 2025

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Message from Administration



Principal's Message

October Greetings

As we enter this month, we are mindful of the uncertainty that comes with the upcoming strike action. We know this impacts not only our staff but also our families and students. Please know that Rocky View Schools remains committed to keeping communication clear and supportive during this time. Any changes will be shared through email, the Labour Action webpage, and other communication channels as needed. We deeply value your prayers and encouragement as we walk through it together as a community.

In the midst of these challenges, we are also in the season of Thanksgiving. This is a time to pause and remember God's goodness, even when circumstances feel unsettled. Scripture reminds us to "give thanks in all circumstances" (1 Thessalonians 5:18). Gratitude shifts our perspective and reminds us of God's faithfulness, past, present, and future.

We are thankful for each one of you, for the way you love and support your children, for the trust you place in our school, and for the way we, as a community, carry one another in both joyful and difficult times.

May this month be filled with peace, gratitude, and a renewed awareness of God's provision.

CCA Administration

Jarett Hooper and Josine van den Berg

Preparing to Close Schools Beginning Monday Oct. 6 due to ATA Strike

The Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA), which represents teachers and school administrators across the province, announced the ATA voted 89.5 per cent against the agreement presented in provincial negotiations. This allows a strike to proceed on Oct. 6, 2025. All schools, including online, are preparing to close starting Oct. 6. No teaching or grading of student work will take place during a strike.

Your child should bring any important items home from school as the school will not be accessible during a strike.

Please ensure your family reads Rocky View Schools emails and check the RVS website for updates.

Please check personal emails for messaging from Rocky View Schools.

Safe Arrival Absence Reporting



Due to the pending strike, all buses are cancelled. Families are not required to submit attendance at this time.

Please note the following items have been temporarily cancelled and could be rescheduled in the future:

- Parent Teacher conferences postponed until further date
- Living Book Fair postponed until further date
- Grade 6 immunizations postponed until further notice
- All fun lunches for October are cancelled
- Harvest Day cancelled

Apples Fundraiser

Please stay tuned for updated information regarding the time and date of pickup.

Message from School Council



We're off to a great start to the 2025–2026 school year with our fun lunches and apple fundraiser. School Council is excited to continue building community, supporting our staff, and creating fun experiences for our students.

Apple Fundraiser Success

A big thank-you to everyone who supported our Davison Orchards Apple Fundraiser! Together, we sold 231 boxes of apples. Your support helps fund important programs and activities at our school.

Apple pickup is still set for October 21.

School Council Meetings

Please note that our October 16 School Council meeting has been canceled. We'll share updates about the next meeting as soon as we can. Upcoming dates (subject to change) are:

- November 20
- January 22
- February 26
- March 19
- April 23
- May 21
- June 18

Fun Lunches

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Fun Lunches in September! We'll be announcing more Fun Lunch dates soon.

Additional Ways to Give

Online Donations: You can donate anytime through <u>CanadaHelps.org</u> by selecting Rocky View Schools and choosing Cochrane Christian Academy. Donations over \$20 will receive a tax receipt.

We appreciate your continued support and look forward to staying connected as the school year unfolds.

— Your School Council

CCA Reads



At CCA, we are committed to helping every child reach their full potential as confident, proficient readers. To support reading at home, we are excited to bring back CCA Reads, our home reading program, designed to foster a love of books and learning in every student.

CCA Reads will **start on October 3, 2025.** Your child is encouraged to read EVERY night and record it on their CCA Reads Tracker. Once your child has completed 25 nights, they will return their tracking sheet to the library to collect their prize and new tracker.

25 nights – CCA Bookmark

50 nights – Squishy toy

75 nights – Sweet treat

100 nights – Ice cream coupon

150 nights - Pizza with the Principal

200 nights - A book dedicated in your name for the school library and a certificate of achievement

ASL Club

POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Hello Parents!

We're excited to announce a brand-new <u>American Sign Language (ASL) Club</u> for students in **Grades 4 to 8**!

The club will meet **once a week on Tuesdays over the lunch hour**, giving students the opportunity to learn the basics of ASL, practice signing with friends, and explore Deaf culture in a fun and inclusive environment. No experience is needed—just bring your curiosity and a willingness to learn something new!

There will be a form sent home to sign if your child has expressed interest in joining the ASL Club.

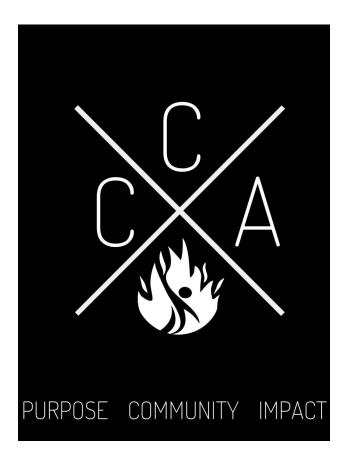
For any questions, feel free to connect with kmiller@rockyview.ab.ca

HourZero



Please follow this link for information on the <u>RVS School Emergency Program</u> including activation procedures for Lock-Downs, Hold and Secures, Shelter-in-place, and Evacuations.

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