

Newsletter



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We acknowledge that we work, learn, and play on the traditional, ancestral, unceded, and shared lands of the Stó:lō people, of Qwó:ltl'el, Leq'á:mel, Mathequí, Sq'ewlets, peoples of this land since time immemorial

Dear Parents/Guardians of Albert McMahon Students:



Staff at Albert McMahon were delighted to be able to interact with parents and students during our recent parent/teacher evenings.

This has been a year of perseverance. Our school community has worked within the guidelines set out by our Ministry of Health regarding Covid-19, showed great flexibility when devastating floods destroyed access for many in Mission and our neighbouring communities, and exhibited amazing resourcefulness as well.

We wish you all a relaxing winter break and can't wait to see you again in the new year.

Sincerely,

Shane Sliziak
Principal

Karina Zimmerman
Vice Principal



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Due to continuing safety measures resulting from Covid-19, Albert

McMahon will not host a Christmas Concert this year. Students are invited to create artwork as a "outside gallery" with their work displayed on their classroom windows from the 13th to the 17th

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 6-16 - Food Drive

December 13-17 - Outside Art Walk/Gallery

Wear "festive attire" week

December 15th - Hot Lunch-Subway (if ordered)

December 17th - PJ Day and

Hot Lunch-Panago (if ordered)

December 20th to January 3rd - Winter Vacation

January 4th - Schools re-open

January 6th - PAC meeting via Zoom

January 14th - Hat Day



INCLEMENT WEATHER

Decisions about unscheduled school closures and bus route changes are almost always made in the early morning before

school. This allows for the most current weather information to factor into the decision. This information is communicated immediately, generally before 6:15 AM. You can also visit the school district's website at:

<https://www.mpsd.ca/District/weatherprocedure/Pages/default.aspx#/=>. or listen to the radio.

- CBC Radio One
- CKNW - 980 AM
- Country - 107.1 FM
- CKWX (News 1130) 1130AM
- STAR FM - 98.3 FM

We are on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/MissionPublicSchools>

And our **Twitter** handle is @albertmcmahone1



WINTER FOOD DRIVE AT AME

Our school is collecting non perishable items from December 6th to December 16th. We will be donating to our local food bank. Students are asked to put their house team name/initials or house team colour on the food item so we can count the items towards a team goal. The house team with the most items will receive bonus house team points and get to "tape" Mr. Sliziak to the wall!

WINTER VACATION

Just a reminder that the last day school is in session for students before winter vacation is **Friday, December 17th**. Students are dismissed at 2:23 pm. Vacation starts on Monday, December 20th and students return to school on **Tuesday, January 4th, 2022**



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration for children born in the year 2017 will take place from 6am on Monday, January 17th to 6pm on Friday, January 21st. Due to COVID safety measures, on Kindergarten registration changed last year.



All families will complete a pre-registration online to secure their space at their catchment school, on a first-come, first-served basis.

After you have completed the pre-registration, the school will contact you to set up an appointment to bring in the full registration form and supporting documentation to complete your child's registration. **To access the pre-registration, please go to <https://albertmcmahon.mpsd.ca/> and click on the "Parents" tab and then "Registration Information" and you will be able to access the**

links you need. A "how to" information page has been attached to this newsletter's email to parents. Please review in detail. Should you require any assistance with this process, please don't hesitate to call or email the school.

ALBERT MCMAHON PAC

A big **thanks** goes to our PAC for their leadership and generosity in the organization of the Meridian Meats, Neufeld Farms, poinsettia, and cookie decorating kit fundraising events. They have also planned and executed amazing COVID friendly hot lunches and popcorn days for the students.

Did you know that all AME parents are automatically members of the PAC? Parental involvement is important to the success of any school. Our PAC has separate Facebook, Instagram and Twitter pages. Please always refer to the School Calendar for any official dates and if you have any questions about PAC run events, please don't hesitate to reach out via Facebook Messenger or email. You can find us on Facebook @albert.mcmahon14, Instagram @albertmcmahonpac and Twitter @PAC_McMahon

The PAC Lunch website is also an amazing resource. Connect with them here: **[Mcmahon.hotlunches.net](https://mcmahon.hotlunches.net)** You can log on here to find all of the council meeting minutes and agendas under the information tab, along with the **zoom link** for our meetings and a link to our email address on the home page.

Kindergarten Registration Information 2022-2023

(To access the links noted below, go to our website albertmcmahon.mpsd.ca, click on the “Parents” tab, “Registration Information” and this information, including the links will be near the bottom of the page).

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After you have completed the pre-registration, the school will contact you to set up an appointment to bring in the full registration form and supporting documentation to complete your child's registration.

Here's what to do:

1. Read the Kindergarten Registration Procedure: [Kindergarten Registration Procedure 2022-2023](#)
2. Locate your Catchment School: [Barager School Locator](#)
3. Click on your CATCHMENT SCHOOL link below [\(this link will be accessible from 6:00 am, January 17, 2022 until 6:00 pm, January 21, 2022\)](#) and complete the Pre-Registration form. (Families registering after registration week can contact the school to arrange a registration appointment. Remember, spots are given on a first-come, first-served basis).

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4. Indicate if you will be applying for a Cross Boundary Request. This does not guarantee you a spot at the requested school.
5. Download, Complete and Print the full Registration Package [here](#) or complete the form during your school appointment if you don't have access to a printer.
6. Your school will contact you to arrange an appointment to complete the registration.
7. Take your documentation with you to your appointment (i.e. Proof of Age / Proof of Residency in BC and Proof of Physical Home Address (for Catchment Area Schools). See the Kindergarten Registration Procedure form for additional details)
8. PLEASE NOTE: **NO registration form will be complete until ALL applicable documents have been provided to the school.**

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Academy

BECOME A HOMESTAY FAMILY



Share your love of Mission!

Y.E.S. INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY IS A PRIVATE EDUCATION GROUP PARTNERED WITH THE MISSION SCHOOL DISTRICT 75 SINCE 2002.

IN PREPARATION FOR FEBRUARY 2022, AND IN ANTICIPATION THAT POLICIES AND PROTOCOLS FOR SAFE TRAVEL WILL ALLOW STUDENTS TO STUDY HERE, WE ARE SEEKING MISSION SCHOOL DISTRICT 75 HOMESTAY FAMILIES TO HOST OUR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS.

Y.E.S. INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM PROVIDES:

- \$900 MONTHLY COMPENSATION PER STUDENT; (FROM NEXT JULY WILL BE \$950)
- AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM
- WEEKEND ACTIVITIES FOR STUDENTS
- TRAINING AND ONGOING SUPPORT FROM Y.E.S. PROGRAM STAFF
- EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE

HOMESTAY FAMILIES PROVIDE:

- A WELCOMING HOME;
- A FAMILY CONNECTION;
- PARENTAL SUPERVISION;
- A PRIVATE BEDROOM;
- GOOD WI-FI CONNECTION; AND
- THREE HEALTHY MEALS

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