



Principal Report Wednesday, September 17th, 2025



Parent Council evenings are a great way to find out what is happening at Rosedale School, and an opportunity for parents and guardians to be a part of decisions around your child's education, fundraising, School Development Plan, sports, monthly activities etc.

Conversations around classroom instruction / student relationships? Please email your child's homeroom teacher or connect with the Principal or Assistant Principal – Susan Faulkner or Brianne O'Sullivan.

Important Dates and NEWS

- September 18th – Grade 9 Fundraising lunch for Jr. High
- September 20th – Rosedale Bottle Drive
- September 25th – Meet the teacher evening 4:30 – 6pm
 - Session one 4:30 – 4:55
 - Session two 5:00 – 5:25
 - Session three 5:30 – 5:55
- September 25th – Terry Fox Run
- September 26th – Orange Shirt Day
- September 29th – No School Professional Learning Day (PD) Day for staff
- September 30th – Truth and Reconciliation Day
- October 2nd – Photo Day in AM
- October 3rd – School Council Family Movie Night
 - Students will be trained on how to run the movie on a Chrome Book
 - Grade 9 will run snack shack
 - Students will be trained on gym set up
 - Students will be trained on clean up
- October 17th – Literacy Night 6 – 7:30pm
- October 30th – School Council Halloween Dance

Truth and Reconciliation –

Truth & Reconciliation in Canada refers to...

“Without truth, justice, and healing, there can be no genuine reconciliation. Reconciliation is not about “closing a sad chapter of Canada’s past,” but about opening new healing pathways of reconciliation that are forged in truth and justice. We are mindful that knowing the truth about what happened in residential schools in and of itself does not necessarily lead to reconciliation. Yet, the importance of truth telling in its own right should not be underestimated; it restores the human dignity of victims of violence and calls governments and citizens to account. Without truth, justice is not served, healing cannot happen, and there can be no genuine reconciliation between [Indigenous] and non-[Indigenous] peoples in Canada.” (Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, 2015, p, 12)

Rosedale School focusses on Call to ReconciliAction

- Grandfather's 7 Sacred Teachings
 - Whole school focus on '**COURAGE**' as our first teaching
 - Fits with Terry Fox
 - Orange shirt Day at school on September 26th
- Signing of Treaty 7 on September 22nd, 1877
- Different ways of knowing
- Connections to the land – land based learning guided walks on the bluffs
- Class circle time / sharing each week for all classes
- Continued connections in all subject areas

Calgary Board of Education Code of Conduct and Rosedale Student Discipline Contract

When students are sent to the office for recess issues and or interruptions to teaching and learning:

- Each class reviewed The Code of Conduct and created a class version, then divisional versions
- Students coming into the office will fill out a 'reset' form (outlining what happened, what they could have done differently and what they need to be successful. We base the reset on Rosedale's 4 Footprints (1. Tell them to stop and why 2. Ignore 3. Walk Away 4. Get help).
- Next, students will look at the Calgary Board Of Education Code of Conduct to identify which rules were broken
- Students will co-write a Student Discipline Contract outlining the code of conduct sections that were broken, identify next best steps and current and or future consequences
- **Rosedale Demographics** - 250 students (down 16 from 2024-25) – final count September 30th for funding to come as more students register.

Grade	K	1	2	3/4	3/4	5/6	5/6	7	8	9
#	16	18	23	26	26	24	24	27	29	35

Grade 3 – 22 students, Grade 4 – 30 students

Grade 5 – 33 students, Grade 6 15 students

Rosedale Requests for funding

Protocols:

Not all requests from staff are presented to Parent Council or Rosedale School Association. We carefully consider all requests and the bank accounts of Parent Council and our Rosedale School Association

- **Teachers** make requests based on student need to their **grade group** team for approval (make sure all need the resource) to **Principal** and **Assistant Principal** for review
- **Admin Team** (Learning Leaders, AP and Principal) review proposal and discuss
- **Area specialists / Area** review requests

IF Teachers, Staff, Learning Leaders, Assistant Principal, Principal and or specialists approve materials:

- *Request is brought to*
- **Rosedale School Association**

- *RSA discusses and votes on the items.*

Equitable / not Equal – at times we receive funding for literacy and or numeracy for the school (usually Elementary), therefore requests may not be equal for each grade level, but are just as important

September Requests

Descriptions:

- Civic Mirror (social studies) for Jr. High **\$500.00**
 - The Civic Mirror is a simulation-based educational program that transforms classrooms into democratic nations, with students becoming citizens who must manage their families and contribute to building their country. It uses a blend of face-to-face interaction and an online platform to teach students about government, law, economics, and citizenship through first-hand, experiential learning. Students learn by creating their own governments, running businesses, developing resources, and resolving issues within their simulated nations
- First field trip bus for each class up to \$400 each (10 classes) **\$4000 max**

MUSIC We do not have a music specialist for K – 6 and want to bring in music specialists (retired superstar substitutes) throughout the year for K – 6 students. Grade 7 – 9 have Guitar as an option with Mr. Senek. We may offer handbell and a drumming club if 7 – 9 are interested.

- Singing, music Handbells & chimes Dec 1 – 11th with Laura Ferguson. Grades K – 6 (parent presentation Dec 11th) **\$2700** paid to school to bring in music specialist (sub roster)
- Music Drumming Workshop Oct 2 -8th Grades 1 – 6
 - Djembe Nut Drumming Company **\$3000** with GST (parent presentation Spring 2026)
- **Coach Cards** from Timms – 14 cards worth \$20 each to give to coaches who volunteer their time for our Sports teams. We would ask **council to purchase** the cards in advance and bring them to the school – kept in the safe and given to coaches after the season is done. Can hold on to any additional cards for next year. **Up to \$300 – purchased by Association**
- **Yoga 7, 8, 9 Options**
22 more mats (to have a set of 30) – up to \$500 (quality to last all year)
- **Art 7, 8, 9 Options**
\$250 for yearly art supplies

- **Guitar 7, 8, 9 Options**

Guitar strings, picks and tuners for our option \$250

- **Open Minds Calgary Zoo school** all week - \$1500 total – does council want to pick up any of the cost? December 8-12. 27 students – approx. \$56 each right now.

Item	Grades	Brief Description More details below	Cost
Civic Mirror	7-9	Social Studies tool	\$500
First Field Trip Bus	K-9	One bus per class 😊	\$4000
Music Residency 1	K - 6	Laura Ferguson – Handbells, chimes and singing for Winter Concert	\$2700
Music Residency 2	K-6	Glenda Macleod – Drumming residency in the spring	\$3000
Volunteer Coach Timms Cards 14 cards of \$20 each	6-9	Basketball 4 Volleyball 4 Cross Country 1 Track and Field 2 Badminton 2	Up to \$300
Yoga 7, 8 , 9	7-9	Yoga Matts to complete class set of 30	\$500
Art	7 – 9	Art supplies for option	\$250
Guitar	7 – 9	Strings, picks and tuners	\$250
Open Minds Request	7	Offset price / pay half	\$750
Theater	K – 6	The Understandable Girl by Nikki Loach at Quest Theater	\$975