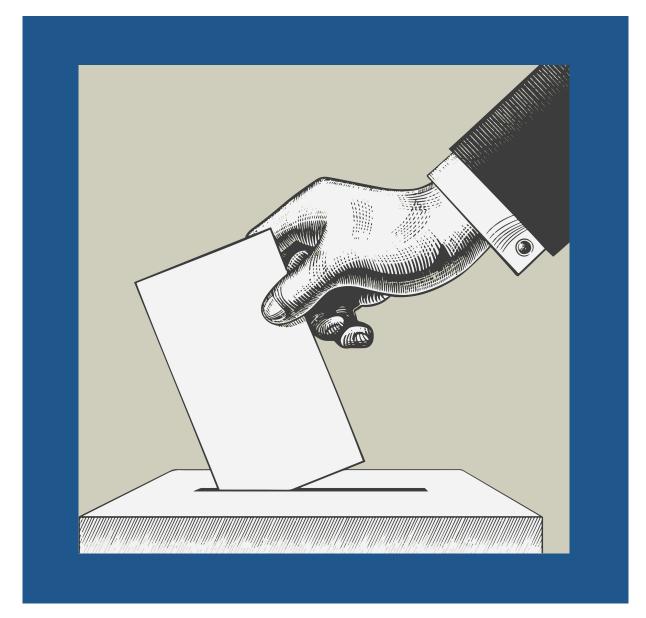
ELECTION DAY IN ALBERTA IS TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2019.

STAR Catholic will work cooperatively with the elected party for the success of our schools and advocate for high quality of education in our province.



PROVINCIAL ELECTION

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF STAR CATHOLIC STUDENTS





WE BELIEVE IN CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Catholic schools are warm, safe, and welcoming environments where diversity is celebrated and individuality is encouraged. Each unique child is created in the image of God, and each is loved equally by Him.

Students learn moral integrity and the value of service to each other and their communities.

Positive and respectful school communities help foster meaningful relationships that promote academic achievement.

Our students are given the tools, support, and encouragement they need to succeed.

Through academic, spiritual, physical, and social growth, we educate the **whole** child.



WE ARE COMMITTED TO ADVOCATING FOR ITS SUCCESS

During and after the election, STAR Catholic will work to speak confidently about the challenges facing Catholic education.

We will listen to what matters to you, discuss possible solutions, and plan for strategic advocacy for the continued livelihood of Catholic education.

This is the time for all of our

stakeholders to be involved. By staying informed, educating one another, and inspiring others, we will work together towards our common goal.

We will not lose momentum post-election, either.

We will continue to shine light on important issues and be heard by whichever party is elected.

WE SUPPORT EDUCATIONAL CHOICE

Parents have the right to choose to educate their children in an environment fitting their religious and moral values. Catholic schools allow for integrated faith and learning in a Christ-centered setting.

Albertans are blessed to have publicly-funded Catholic education. This means that non-Catholic families can also choose the benefits of Catholic education.

Catholic education is, and should always should be, fully inclusive and accessible to all Albertans.



WE BELIEVE EDUCATION IS A PRIORITY

All students, whether they attend Catholic, public, or francophone schools, should have the chance to grow, thrive, and succeed. Quality education for all should be a key priority for any government.

The reality across all divisions is that enrollment numbers and classroom sizes continue to rise while funding and resource allocations cannot meet the growing demand.

Schools across the province are at or over capacity and in need of facility upgrades or modernizations. The needs of diverse students are becoming more complex as awareness around topics such as youth mental health and special education requirements continues to increase.

An investment in education is an investment in our province, in our economy, and in Albertans.



WE SUPPORT FUTURE GENERATIONS

Our youth will grow up do great things through their intelligence, creativity, and determination. Our job is to arm them with skills and knowledge to help them reach their full potential.

We have a responsibility as educators, parents, and Albertans to provide safe and caring schools with stimulating curriculum, useful resources, and caring instructors to meet diverse learning needs and styles. Let's continue doing all we can to give kids the hand up they need to succeed.

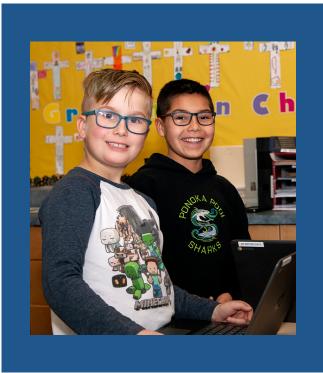


WE WILL WORK COLLABORATIVELY

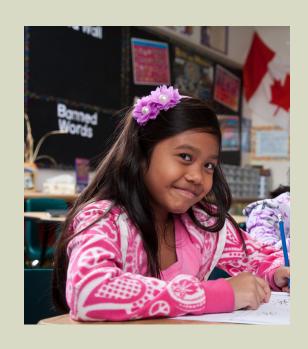
Through strong relationships with partners, stakeholders, and counterparts, we are able to work cooperatively in areas such as shared transportation, joint use agreements, and other services.

Respectful collaboration with other school boards allows us to share valuable resources, minimize deficiencies or redundancies, and helps save taxpayer dollars.

At at the end of the day, we all work towards the same goal of serving our youth to the best of our abilities. Every student deserves the best start for a bright and successful future.







"May we always care for our children, not counting the cost, so that they may never believe themselves to be mistakes, but always know their infinite worth."

- Pope Francis



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