

Edge School 2025/26 Weekly Newsletter Issue 2 – Aug. 29, 2025



Sept. 1 - Labour Day (No School)

Sept. 2 – Regular School Day for All

<u>Students</u> (Cafeteria Open/Tuesday "A" Schedule)

Sept. 5 – Welcome Back Assembly (Wear Collared Edge shirt)

Sept. 8 - Picture Day (Wear Dressy Attire

- ideally a collared Edge shirt), Parent

Council Meeting @ 3:30 PM

Sept. 9 – Meet the Staff/Parent

Information AGM (Learning Commons,

Details Below)

Sept. 17 – Outdoor Education (All

Grades)

Sept. 29 – Terry Fox Run

Sept. 30 - National Day for Truth and

Reconciliation (No School)

Oct. 1 - Orange Shirt Day

Cafeteria Zipthru Cards – New Process

The new Zipthru card process involves buying an e-certificate online at <u>zipthru-card.ca</u>, printing the e-Certificate or saving its barcode to your mobile wallet, and then presenting it to the cashier at our cafeteria. The cashier will transfer the e-Certificate's balance to a reloadable plastic Zipthru card. For continued use and to protect your balance, register the card with your account on the Zipthru website.

Here's a step-by-step guide:

- Sign into zipthru-card.ca as a Guest User
- Put money onto the card
- You will be emailed an e-certificate with a bar code (must have the bar code)
- Print the e-certificate showing the bar code and have the student bring the certificate and card to the cafeteria
- Cafeteria will then activate the card via the bar code
- Keep a copy of the number on the back of the plastic card so you can register the card once it has been activated
- Parents going forward can then log into zip-thru and top up the card



Meet the Staff/Parent Information and AGM

We are excited to try something new this year. We are combining our Meet the Staff, Parent Information and AGM into one evening on Tuesday, Sept. 9. We will also be serving food and drinks. We hope you will be able to join us for this important evening. As part of the evening, we will update you on our Strategic Plan and give you an opportunity to provide feedback. Please watch for more information and the RSVP link.





Calendar Summary and Bell Schedule

- School Calendar Summary
- Daily Bell Schedule

School Communication Channels

Mountaineer Minute

The "Mountaineer Minute" is a weekly communication that comes out at the end of each week to keep our school community up-to-date on important information for the coming week and beyond. The weekly Mountaineer Minute will be emailed out (typically each Friday), but also can be found on our "Parent Resources" page on our website.

Edge Express

The "Edge Express" is our monthly school newsletter that highlights Edge student-athletes, staff, alumni and upcoming events. The Edge Express is emailed out the first week of each month, and can also be found on our "News Page" on our website.

EdgeSchool.com

Important information about our school can be found on our website.

EdgeMountaineers.com

Make sure to check out our athletics focused website, <u>edgemountaineers.com</u> to find team rosters, schedules, news stories and content that provides a one-stop-shop for our athletic programs.

Edsby

Edsby is our student information center where you will go to connect with what your child is doing in the classroom. It is the primary way that our teachers communicate their plans for the week. It is also where student marks and attendance are posted. New parents and students will receive an email prompting them to sign up for Edsby in the coming weeks.

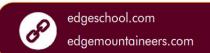
School Calendar

Our school calendar is a great place to go to see what we have planned for the year ahead. This is a live document so it is important to check back regularly for the most up-to-date information. Please note that the calendar will be updated regularly ahead of the start of the school year. The <u>link</u> for our calendar can be found at the top of our school website.

Attendance Line

If your child is going to be absent or late for any reason, please call our main phone line 403-246-6432 ext 101 to report the absence. Absences can also be reported via email (attendance@edgeschool.com) or directly in Edsby.











Edgewear

At Edge School, our dress code policy requires that student-athletes wear Edgewear (Edge branded apparel) above the waist at all times while in school, or while attending school activities off campus. The Edge School logo must be worn on all upper layers at all times. Edgewear may only be purchased through our official apparel provider, Big Mountain. Third party knock-off Edgewear or custom made items are not acceptable pieces to wear. Parents and student-athletes are expressly forbidden from producing their own pieces of Edgewear.

Security of Personal Belongings

As a school, we are very proud of the character that is often displayed by our students. It is not uncommon for us to have lost items and misplaced money turned into the office. Given our safe and welcoming environment, students often become comfortable leaving valuables in unsecured locations. Please encourage your children to keep valuables in lockers. We are not responsible for lost or stolen items.

Policies

It is important for you to be aware of all of the policies and administrative procedures that guide the operations of the school. These can be found <u>here</u>. Please take some time to review them and do not hesitate to reach out with any questions that you have.

New Policies

As a result of government-mandated changes to the Education Act, there are two new policies that will be in effect this year. These policies are currently being reviewed by our board for approval. Once approved (prior to Sept. 1), they will be uploaded on our website with the other school policies.

The two new policies are "Continuity of Education Programming in Emergency Situations" and "Parental Choice in Matters of Gender Identity, Human Sexuality and Sexual Orientation".

Cell Phone Policy Reminder

As a reminder, cell phones and other personal devices (including smart watches) are not permitted in classes or to be used during class time (in the Learning commons or any other areas in the school) unless teachers have requested to have them present for educational purposes. If students choose to take these devices to school, they are responsible for securing them. The expectation will be that students will not bring these devices to class. If a student chooses to do so, they must place them in an unmonitored storage area within the class. All students are offered a locker for their belongings.

At this time, these devices may be used outside of class time (lunch, before school and after school). This will be reviewed on an ongoing basis.

Medical Form (Individual Care Plan)

If your child has a medical condition that may require our attention or awareness, we require that you complete an 'Individual Care Plan' and return it to the school. Please print, (or download and fill out the PDF and email) complete and return the <u>Individual Care Plan form</u> as soon as possible. Forms can be returned to the office or emailed to <u>Cynthia</u>.

If your child has medications that could potentially save their life in the event of a triggering event (eg. severe allergies), we request that you please provide properly labeled and appropriate medication dosages for storage in the office (eg. EpiPen).











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