

# Colonel Walker School Council & Association

NEWSLETTER

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October 2024



## New School Year. New School Council.

### Message from the Colonel Walker School Council Chair, Rebecca Schooten:

Welcome to our new Colonel Walker School Council & Association Newsletter.

We'll share important dates, volunteer opportunities, and Colonel Walker School Association fundraising opportunities.

We want to express our gratitude to our parent volunteers, our outgoing council members, new and those who continue to serve on the board.

The Colonel Walker School Council and Association are here to support you, your children and Colonel Walker Teachers and Staff.

Welcome to the 2024/25 school year.

Thank you,  
Rebecca



## October 2024

Fall is always a busy time, and this fall will be no exception! Mark these dates on your calendar.

- **Thursday October 24** - School Council Meeting (6:00 pm, hybrid format). CBE Trustee Susan Vukadinovic and kindergarten teacher Sarah Blackman will be in attendance.
- **Friday, October 25** - PD Day - School Closed
- **Thursday, October 31** - Halloween

### Next Month:

- **November 7** - Remembrance Day Assembly
- **November 8** - PD Day - School Closed
- **November 11** - Remembrance Day - School Closed
- **November 12-13** - Fall Break - School Closed
- **November 14** - School resumes
- **November 21** - School Council Meeting (hybrid)



## Hip Hop Residency

This fall, Colonel Walker students will get to explore Hip Hop with the Something From Nothing (SFN) residency. This school residency will feature spoken word poetry, dance, storytelling and laughter. SFN is inspired by the traditions of Hip Hop culture, of creating art from what is around you – including yourself!

Fundraising efforts help purchase much-needed sound system.

**Did you know the school was using a karaoke machine and one microphone for school assemblies?**

This is why a proposed new sound system was approved in September 2024 and is set to be installed later this fall.

Colonel Walker is cost-sharing the new system with Piitoayis Family School.

Thanks to parent volunteer and fundraising efforts, our students can hear teachers and presenters clearly and leverage the system for school events.

## School Class Representatives

**Contact your School Representative below to be added to the outreach list.**

Kindergarten & Grade 1/2 Split: Pamela Hollinger  
casey\_pamela@hotmail.com / 403-710-1272

Grade 1: Vacant

Grade 2/3 (Ms. Leigh): Maryanne McDonald  
Bartake\_m@hotmail.com / 403-615-9987  
(WhatsApp group with Mr. Kearney's class)

Grade 2/3 (Mr. Kearney): Julie Alati-it  
julie.alatiit@gmail.com / 403-852-4875  
(WhatsApp group with Ms. Leigh's class)

Grade 4/5: Kathy Brown  
kathygbrown@gmail.com / 403-690-4048

Grade 5/6: Caterina Ditosto  
caterinaditosto@gmail.com / 403 554 4074

## How to Volunteer

**Each step below must be completed before being added to the class list of volunteers.**

**Step One:** Visit Miss Tammy to be registered as a CBE volunteer in the CBE system. Miss. Tammy will produce a letter from the CBE system that you need to submit with your Electronic Police Information Check (ePIC) application.

**Step Two:** Within 2-3 business days, you will receive an email from the Calgary Police Service with the link to complete your application. Complete the ePIC application on the Calgary Police Services website. The cost is \$21.25, payable at that time. You need the letter provided by the school and two pieces of government-issued ID.

**Step Three:** Complete the annual volunteer registration in your school engage/MYCBE account. If you don't have a student at the school or only one parent/guardian has an account, you must create your account to complete your registration. You must complete registration annually.

**Step Four:** When you receive your clearance letter from the Calgary Police Service via email, forward the email directly to Miss Tammy in the office at [thoban@cbe.ab.ca](mailto:thoban@cbe.ab.ca).

Tammy then updates your status in the CBE system. Your Police Clearance is good for five years at any CBE school. Print a copy for your records as it disappears, and the school does not keep a copy. Once this is complete, you will be added to the teacher's class list of volunteers.