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Dear ECSD Families,

For the past twelve years, Edmonton Catholic School Division (ECSD) has offered two calendars, a traditional 10-month calendar and a year-round calendar. We are seeking input from our community so we can understand the impact of the year-round calendar on students, families, and staff within the Division as we prepare for the 2024-2025 school year. The calendar for the 2023-2024 school year has already been approved, and you can find it here.

Background

ECSD has three schools offering a year-round calendar to 1020 students from Kindergarten to Grade 9. These schools are:

- St. Alphonsus Catholic Elementary/Junior High School
- St. Catherine Catholic Elementary/Junior High School
- St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Elementary School

The remaining 93 schools offer the traditional 10-month calendar. The number of instructional days for students is exactly the same for both the year-round calendar and the traditional calendar. You can find more information about year-round schooling on our <u>website</u>.

Take the Survey

An <u>online survey</u> is now open and will run through May 5, 2023. While your child is not currently attending a year-round school, we still want to hear from you. The implementation of the year-round school calendar may have been a factor in your family's decision-making, and we would like to be informed of those factors.

If you have any questions, please email engagement@ecsd.net. Thank you in advance for completing the survey and adding your voice to the future of Edmonton Catholic Schools.

Sincerely,

John Fiacco Educational Planning Superintendent

