

Important Update: Classes Resuming Wednesday, October 29

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Dear ECSD Families,

The Government of Alberta has passed legislation requiring teachers to return to work on Wednesday, October 29. Edmonton Catholic Schools is preparing for this transition and looks forward to welcoming students and staff back to our classrooms and school communities.

What You Need to Know

- Classes are scheduled to resume on Wednesday, October 29.
- Teachers, principals, and assistant principals who are ATA members are expected to return to work on this date.
- Student transportation services, including yellow bus routes and ETS School Specials, will resume on Wednesday,
 October 29. Pick-up and drop-off times remain the same.
- If your school had a Professional Development Day scheduled between October 29 and November 17, it will be postponed.
- More information about athletics and other extracurricular activities will be shared in the coming days and weeks.

Fall Break

Edmonton Catholic Schools is proceeding with Fall Break as scheduled, November 10 to 12, 2025. Changing the school calendar at this time would affect staffing, transportation, and family plans already in place. We will continue to explore all options available through Alberta Education to support student learning. If future adjustments to the school schedule are needed, families will be notified as early as possible.

Premier's Message to Alberta Families

Premier Danielle Smith has issued a letter to parents and guardians about <u>Bill 2: Back to School Act</u>. The letter explains the government's decision to end the teacher strike and lockout, and what this means for school operations

• Premier Smith Letter to Parents/Guardians

Edmonton Catholic Schools is not directly involved in bargaining or the government's decision. As classes resume, we remain committed to supporting our students, families, and staff. Our Division deeply appreciates the contributions of teachers and all staff to supporting the growth and development of our students in a faith-filled learning environment.

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