

## CREMONA SCHOOL NEWS

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Our school website is a convenient place for parents and students to find all the information they need. See the CALENDAR, subscribe to the NEWSLETTER, check your student's HOMEWORK and contact our STAFF.



**Parent Council meetings are an excellent way to find out what is happening in and around the school. Your voice on Parent Council contributes to supporting your child's school experience.**

**Unless otherwise noted, meetings run on the second Tuesday of the month for approximately an hour. Our first meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 13 at 7:00pm in the Library. We hope to see you there!**



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*Turning Today's Learners Into  
Tomorrow's Leaders*

# Cremona School Student Calendar 2016-2017

August 2016						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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Aug 29-30 School Organizational Days  
 Aug 31 Focused P.D. Day  
 Sept 1 Students First Day of School

September 2016						
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Sept 5 Labour Day  
 Sept 14 School photos  
 Sept 15 School photos  
 Sept 15 Graduation Ring order  
 Sept 23 Focused PD Day (no students)  
 Sept 29 Terry Fox Run  
 Sept 29 Academic Awards Night

October 2016						
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Oct 7 Collaborative Day  
 Oct 10 Thanksgiving Day  
 Oct 26 Parent Teacher Interviews  
 Oct 28 Collaborative Day (no students)

November 2016						
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Nov 10-14 Fall Break  
 Nov 11 Remembrance Day  
 Nov 25 Collaborative Day

December 2016						
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Dec 8 Christmas Concert  
 Dec 9 No School  
 Dec 15 Band Concert  
 Dec 26-30 Christmas Break

January 2017						
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Jan 2-6 Christmas Break  
 Jan 9 Students Return  
 Jan 17 Social 30 Diploma Pt A  
 Jan 24 Social 30 Diploma Pt B  
 Jan 25 Math 30-1 Diploma  
 Jan 30 High School Ski Trip  
 Jan 31 School Organizational Day

February 2017						
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Feb 9 Middle School Ski Trip  
 Feb 10 Collaborative Day  
 Feb 20-24 Winter Break  
 Feb 20 Family Day  
 Feb 23-24 P.D. Days (Teacher Convention)

March 2017						
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Mar 9-10 No School  
 Mar 23 Parent Teacher Interviews  
 Mar 24 Collaborative Day (no students)

April 2017						
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Apr 14 Good Friday  
 Apr 17-21 Spring Break

May 2017						
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May 5 No School  
 May 19 Focused PD Day  
 May 22 Victoria Day

June 2017						
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Jun 2 no school  
 Jun 12-16 Inline skating  
 Jun 13 Band Concert  
 Jun 15 Athletic awards  
 Jun 15 English 30 Diploma Pt A  
 Jun 22 English 30 Diploma Pt B  
 Jun 26 Math 30-2 Diploma  
 Jun 28 Biology 30 Diploma  
 Jun 29 Physics 30 Diploma  
 Jun 29 Students Last Day  
 Jun 29 Cap and Gown Graduation Ceremony ( TBD)  
 Jun 30 School Organizational Day

<b>LEGEND</b>	▲	School Planning Day
	■	Focused P.D. Day
	○	Holiday
	★	Non-Instructional Day
	■	Teachers' Convention
	■	Significant Start and End Dates
	●	Collaborative Days - No school for students. <i>One Focused PD Day will be designated as the TPGP</i>





2016/2017 School Year  
**Approved School Fees**

**Chinook's Edge School Division - Basic School Fees Information**

	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/20
Kindergarten	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Grades 1-6	\$62.00	\$64.00	\$64.00	\$64.00
Grades 7-9	\$77.00	\$79.00	\$79.00	\$79.00
Grades 10-12	\$102.00	\$104.00	\$104.00	\$104.00

The above fees **include** \$1.00 for student accident insurance. The Grades 10-12 fee also **includes** \$5.00 for Diploma Exam materials.

The following are examples of items included in the basic school fee:

Textbooks, photocopying, library materials, physical education equipment, licenses for online resources, blanket student accident insurance with Industrial Alliance Pacific

Co-curricular activities (i.e., swimming), extra-curricular activities, gym strip, and field trips are charged separately according to cost.

**OPTION/CTS FEES (GRADES 10 -12)**

\$7.00 per credit (25 hours)

Band (instrument rentals)

**COLLECTION OF FEES**

Schools are responsible for the collection of fees. Difficult collection cases may be referred to Division Office for collection.

**CREMONA SCHOOL WILL MAIL OUT SCHOOL FEES INVOICES DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER.**



## 2016/2017 School Year Approved School Fees

# School Fees Possible Questions & Answers September 2016

### What are school fees used for?

School fees help us provide services for students that other sources of funding don't cover. Funding from the government provides for most educational items such as teachers and staff members, classrooms, facilities and some technology. School fees help offset some costs for items such as photocopying, certain classroom supplies, library materials, certain phys. ed. equipment, licenses for online resources, and basic student accident insurance for each student.

### How much are school fees in Chinook's Edge?

Kindergarten	Nil
Grades 1-6	\$64
Grades 7-9	\$79
Grades 10-12	\$104

(This includes \$1 / student for basic accident insurance and \$5 / student in Grades 10-12 for Diploma Exam Materials)

### Are additional fees charged for anything else?

Fees are charged at \$7 per credit for Option Courses in Grades 1-12. Schools may charge fees for such items as band instrument rentals, field trips, gym strip, and swimming lessons. While some Alberta schools are charging fees for lunchroom supervision, Chinook's Edge provides this service without additional fees to families. As well, Chinook's Edge doesn't charge textbook rentals.

### How do fees charged in Chinook's Edge compare to neighboring school divisions?

Chinook's Edge school fees are comparable to neighboring school divisions.

### What happens if people don't pay their school fees?

Each school works with families to determine payment schedules that are accessible for everyone. If families choose not to pay their school fees, principals can send the information to division office, where further action may involve a collection agency. If so, the collection agency would work with families in a diplomatic manner to gather the fees.

### How do you handle families who say they can't afford to pay school fees?

Families who can't afford to pay the fees can contact Alex Schultz, CPA, CGA toll-free at 1-800-561-9229 / email [aschultz@cesd73.ca](mailto:aschultz@cesd73.ca). Based on need, families can be exempted from paying part or all of the school fees.

## **Intently focused on student achievement**

A Message from the Board of Education

Welcome to a new year of learning together in Chinook's Edge School Division! Our Board is very proud to be part of the team of devoted and caring professionals in this division, where everyone is intently focused on student achievement.

Every teacher and staff member, across all grades and subject areas, is equally invested in the eventual outcome of seeing each of our students complete high school. As our students graduate with the confidence to pursue post-secondary opportunities, Chinook's Edge staff share the responsibility and pride from kindergarten staff right through to diploma teachers.

Our dedicated staff are creating learning environments that ensure every child succeeds, and we believe a key piece of evidence of our efforts all along the way is the number of our students who graduate and transition into post-secondary opportunities. We know this foundation of quality learning will allow our students to continue to achieve higher levels of success throughout their lifetime.

With the support of the Board and our Superintendent, our teams of professionals continue to challenge, encourage and believe in each one of our students every single day. We wish everyone an exciting year of learning in Chinook's Edge, *where students come first!*

**Colleen Butler**

**Chair**

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