

## École Père Kenneth Kearns Catholic School

With Christ as our ever-present teacher, in an environment rich in French Language and culture, we ensure every child succeeds: personally, spiritually, academically.

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Cher Parent(s)

Welcome & Bienvenue to an exciting school year. As we prepare for another school year with Elk Island Catholic Schools (EICS), there will be a number of changes to our division within the context of the new Alberta budget. We want to ensure that our budget is directed to serving our students and staff and their educational success as we move into another school year. EICS streamlined budgets for the past two years which allowed us to share cost-savings directly with our EICS students and families. One of the ways we shared this cost-savings was to provide school supplies to all students within the division. As a result, EICS will no longer be able to provide this program for the school year and families will be required to purchase material resources as well as enhanced programming. Many At EPK these costs are associated with enhanced programming such as field trips, and special events. These enhanced programming costs are charged to parents on a cost recovery basis.

To continue excellent programming for your child, we are sending out a gentle reminder to please pay your field trip & School fees before April 30, 2020. It is an Elk Island Catholic School Board policy that after April 30, 2020 all unpaid fees will be transferred to a collection agency.

Please read through the remainder of this letter for all fee payment options and helpful step-bystep procedures to pay enhanced programming fees online.

## **Paying School Student Fees**

Once logged into the PowerSchool Public Portal click on "Student Fees" on the left hand side to pay your student fees online. Payment plans are available with your credit card for Our Pre-Kindergarten programs.

As we are anticipating and encouraging payment of fees to be made **primarily online**, there is no cash on hand at the school office. If you are paying fees at the school office, **thank you for bringing the exact fee amount. If you are paying fees by cheque, please make the cheque payable to <u>École Père Kenneth Kearns Catholic School</u>. Thank you so much for your help with this.** 

## **Online Consent Forms**

Also available online is our important Annual Field Trip Consent Forms, Technology Agreement Form & Data Verification Forms. To ensure your child is able to attend field trips and ensure we have your most current contact information for emergencies, please complete these forms. For each student, Click "Forms and Fees" on the left hand side. Click on the notification bell on the top right hand corner to complete required forms.

## Powerschool Accounts: adding a Child

If you have already created an account you can attach your child/children as a new student to your account. This can be done by logging into the PowerSchool Public Portal with your existing account, clicking "Account Preferences," clicking "Students" and adding your child's name

using the information in the Parent Portal Account letter. Then please follow the instructions under "Paying School Fees."

Please contact Sarah Mella at 780-467-7135 if you encounter any issues with your Public Portal account or have any questions regarding school fees. We appreciate your patience and openness as we work towards becoming paperless through the use of technology. Merci beaucoup!

Sincerely,

École Père Kenneth Kearns Catholic School Leadership Team

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