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Oct. 13, 2022

Announce | North Calgary High School Opening

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

We are pleased to announce that the new North Calgary high school is on track to open for the first day of school in Sept. 2023. This is exciting news for the many communities this high school will serve.

At this time, we are excited to announce the principal of the North Calgary high school, Michael Bester. He is familiar with North Calgary, as his most recent position was as the principal at John G. Diefenbaker High School. Please read his introduction:

Dear Students, Parents/Guardians and Community Members,

With great anticipation and excitement, the students, families and community members have been watching the construction of a beautiful new public high school that has taken shape near Harvest Hills Boulevard and Stoney Trail. I am honoured to be joining you as the principal of the North Calgary high school, opening in Sept. 2023.

During my 30+ years with the Calgary Board of Education (CBE), I have been very fortunate to witness the value of strong public schools. A school is an important centre for learning within a community and opens many possibilities for young people to discover their talents and potential. I have enjoyed serving, teaching, leading and learning from students, school leadership teams, school councils, parents and community organizations during my career and have valued the critical work of fostering healthy young minds.

My professional journey has taken me through various teaching and leadership positions in CBE. My experiences include teaching at a newly opened high school and serving as Department Head, Curriculum Specialist, Assistant Principal and Principal of a Junior High School. Most recently, I served as principal of John G. Diefenbaker High School. Through this role, I have already had the privilege of serving some of the families from communities designated to the North Calgary high school.

My wife and I have five children, all of whom attended CBE schools. Throughout their educational journeys, exceptional teachers and staff have served them. In the coming months, I will hire many staff members who will give their time, talents and energy to create a safe, caring and welcoming learning atmosphere. Working together, we will be the authors of a new story for the community, built on inclusivity, discovery, land-based learning, and academic rigour.

In preparing to welcome students to the new high school, we will connect with the various schools where students are currently enrolled to meet and speak with administrative teams. We look forward to upcoming visits to become acquainted with

the needs of our future students so that we can prepare program planning and a supportive transition for high school success.

There will be a wide variety of curriculum programs at the school to suit the needs of students. Virtual sessions and in-person meetings for parents and students will be held in early 2023 to share course offerings that students can choose. I will attend some School Council meetings and look forward to connecting with parents.

I look forward to working with parents, students and staff to build a vibrant, diverse and engaging new school community that reflects the unique qualities of the Northern Hills Area.

Let us prepare for the opening of the North Calgary high school in 2023 and build a bright future of learning together!

Sincerely,

*Michael Bester,
Principal*

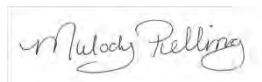
Next Updates

As the new school year approaches, you can expect more communication from the Calgary Board of Education and Principal Bester. Principal Bester will be in touch regarding high school registration and orientation in the upcoming months.

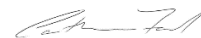
If you have questions or require additional information, please get in touch with the Area 3 office at Area3@cbe.ab.ca or 403-777-6820. You can also visit [the Building and Modernizing page](#) on the corporate website, where all new school updates will be posted with every communication that is sent out.

Opening a new high school is exciting for students, families, teachers and our school division. We are thrilled to share this milestone with your communities.

Sincerely,



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