

CALMAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Year-End Newsletter

Monday, June 22 / 2026

Message from the Principal

Nineteen years ago, I walked through the doors of Calmar Elementary School as a newly hired Assistant Principal, eager to begin my leadership career. Looking back now, I realize that Calmar didn't just shape my career—it captured a piece of my heart.

My journey over the last two decades took me away to other wonderful schools, but the universe kept bringing me back to CES. This past year marked my third time returning home to this beautiful community, and it has been nothing short of magical. You welcomed me back with the same open arms and warm smiles that I remembered, allowing me to settle in instantly.

What makes Calmar so incredibly rare and special is the profound sense of family that exists here. There is a beautiful, shared heartbeat among our families, staff, and community members, all working hand-in-hand for the happiness and success of our children. This kind of deep, unwavering support is never taken for granted, and I am profoundly grateful for it. Each chapter I have spent in Calmar has been brighter, kinder, and more inspiring than the last.

Requesting a transfer was a purely practical decision born out of my commute. But if I am being completely honest with you all, as I look back now, my heart is second-guessing that choice. Leaving a piece of your soul behind is never easy.

However, I take immense comfort in knowing that CES is being left in incredibly capable, caring hands. Your new principal, Carla Fisher, is a remarkably accomplished, hardworking leader who brings a wealth of experience and a track record of deep success within the Black Gold family. I know you will welcome her with the same unmatched kindness you gave to me.

Thank you for the memories, the laughter, and the honor of serving your children. You will always hold a very special place in my life.

With all my gratitude and love,

Sincerely,

Stan Travnik Principal, Calmar Elementary School

Teaching Assignments for 26/27 School Year (Subject to Change)

Grade	Teacher
Pre - K (mornings only)	Mrs. Ritter
Kindergarten (AM + PM)	Miss Risser
1 W	Mrs. Walker
1 P	Miss Paterson
2 N	Ms. Newton
2/3 R	Mrs. Ritchie
3 W	Ms. Whalley
4 M	Mrs. Mason
4 /5 H (AM only)	Mrs. Hazzard
5 P	Mr. Pickhardt
5 /6W	Mr. Walker
6 L	Mr. Lewis
Flexible Pathways	Mrs. Arnold
Assistant Principal + LST	Mrs. Hodge
Principal	Mrs. Fisher

Mark your calendars

- A) Official class placements (who your child's teacher is) will be released on **PowerSchool** by the end of the day on **Friday, August 21st**.
- B) You can also check out the full class lists when they are posted at our **Welcome Back BBQ and Meet the Teacher** night on Tuesday, August 25th, from 5-6:30.

School Supplies for 26/27 School Year

- Will be posted to our Website on Friday, June 26th.

NOTE: Please use our website for any updates over the summer

Important CES Dates + Reminders

	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT		
JUNE 2026		1	2	3	4	5	6		
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	20	18
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27		
	28	29	30						

- June 21 - National Indigenous Peoples Day
- June 24 - Last School Day with Diploma Exam
- June 25 & 26- Teacher Workday (No Students)
- Diploma Exam & PAT Administrative Window
- Diploma Exam

Event	Date / Time	Other + Extra Information
Please return Student Library books	Monday June 22	If your child's library book has not yet been returned, a replacement fee has not been added to their PS account.
Kinder Last Day	Mon June 22	Congratulations Kinders !!!
Kindergarten Grad (AM)	Tues June 23	Kindergarten Grad beginning at 9:30-11:15 am
Grade 6 Farewell (PM)		Grade 6 Farewell beginning at 1:00-2:30 pm
Year-end fun day	Wed June 24 (PM)	Outside - dress for the weather - Hot dog & treat provided by the PTA
Last day of school	Wed June 24	Last day of school for students
Report Cards	Wed June 24	Report cards will be accessible through PowerSchool today, after school
Please return Student Library books	Monday June 22	If your child's library book has not yet been returned, a replacement fee has not been added to their PS account.
LRC Passes	July/August	LRC Passes will be available at the Calmar Public Library To use throughout the summer.
Staff Work Day	Thurs June 25th	The office is open
Staff Work Day	Fri June 26th	Last staff work day

Early Bird
Pricing until
June 30, 2026

2026/27

BLACK GOLD SCHOOL DIVISION
TRANSPORTATION

NOW OPEN FOR REGISTRATION!

Transportation registration for the 2026-27 school year is open!

Early birds who register by June 30th:

- Save money through early bird discounts
- Guarantee a spot on the bus on the first day of school

To register: <https://www.blackgold.ca/apply-for-transportation-Black-Gold-Students>

Learn more about early bird savings: <https://www.blackgold.ca/transportation-fees-and-info>

CALMAR PUBLIC LIBRARY SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2026

PIRATES IN THE LIBRARY

Ahoy, mateys! Set your sights on adventure, the library is taking to the high seas! This summer books are treasure, stories are maps, and every reader is a brave pirate on a quest for fun. Whether ye choose to chart your course alone or with a trusted crew, everyone is welcome aboard! Complete a variety of tasks and challenges to earn 25 stamps in exchange for a map that will guide ye to the Buccaneer Blowout at the end of the summer!

25
STAMPS
TO EARN

OPEN TO
ALL AGES
AND FAMILIES

REGISTER
TODAY!

780-985-3472 || CIRCULATION@CALMARPUBLICLIBRARY.CA



3RD ANNUAL

COMMUNITY

INCLUSION BBQ & AGM

BURGER OR
DOG,
CHIPS &
DRINK FOR
\$5.00

GAMES
DOOR PRIZES
RAFFLES



AWARDS
CEREMONY

SENSORY
STATION



JUNE 26, 2026
BBQ 4:30-6:00PM
AGM 6:00PM



LEDUC LINX CONNECT CENTRE
106, 5708-47 STREET

COME FOR THE BBQ, STAY FOR THE CONNECTION! JOIN US FOR FOOD, FUN, AND OUR AGM AS WE REFLECT ON THE YEAR BEHIND AND AHEAD.



Come dance with us!



Beginner Ballet Classes

Intermediate Ballet Classes

Ukrainian Dance Classes ages 3-Adult

For more information email info@albertazirka.ca

Follow Alberta Zirka on Facebook or Instagram



www.albertazirka.ca

Registration Thursday,
September 3rd, 2026
5:00-7:00pm at the Zirka
Hall in Calmar.

4920 - 50th Avenue (Main Street)
Calmar, Alberta (East Door Entrance)

SAVE
THE
DATE

MHCB



SUMMERPROGRAM



Registration date

JUNE 5TH
@ 9AM

DUE TO HIGH
DEMAND WE ARE
LIMITED 1 CAMP
PER CHILD



SCHEDULE

July 14, 15, & 16 – Art Camp in
Beaumont (Gr 4–6)
July 21, 22, 23 – Nature Camp
in Beaumont (Gr 1–3)



July 28, 29, 30 – Cooking
Camp in Leduc (Gr 4–6)
Aug 4, 5, 6 – Lego Camp in
Leduc (Gr 1–3)

FREE

All camps are 9am–12pm

Also...Teen Tuesdays &
Family Events coming
up throughout the
summer



MHCB Presents

FUN IN THE SUN

JULY 9TH
1-3PM

FREE FAMILY EVENT



**BRING YOUR SWIMSUITS &
WATER SPRAYERS**

ACTIVITIES :

- ✓ Sandwiches Provided by Phat Tonys
- ✓ Arts And Crafts
- ✓ Play Ground
- ✓ Water fun
- ✓ Face Painting & Balloon Twisting!

LOCATION: ECOLE BELLEVUE SCHOOL - 5103 50TH AVE BEAUMONT, AB

MHCB ANNUAL TEDDY BEAR PICNIC



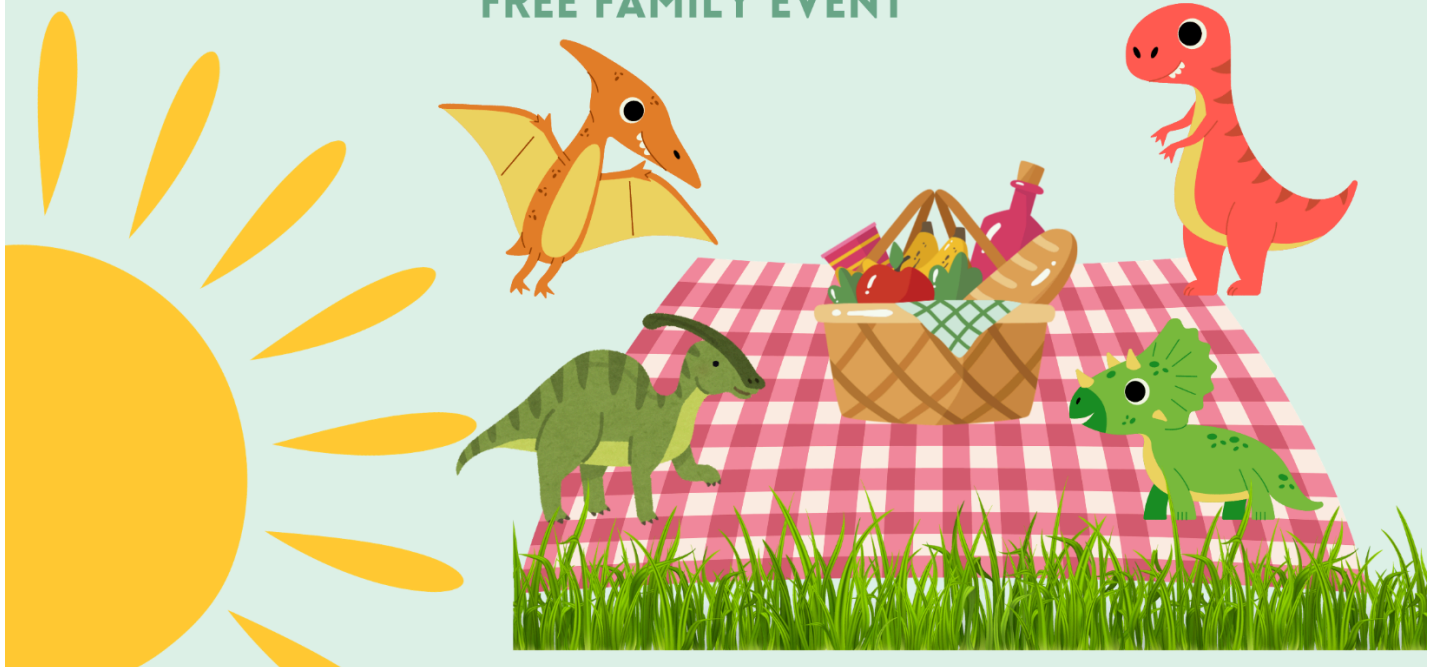
JULY 16TH 1-3PM
ECOLE BELLEVUE SCHOOL
5103 50TH AVE BEAUMONT, AB

SNACKS & ACTIVITIES PROVIDED

BRING YOUR OWN TEDDY & WATER BOTTLE!

EVENT WILL BE OUTSIDE (AS LONG AS WEATHER ALLOWS)

FREE FAMILY EVENT



BONDING THROUGH BRAIDS

A DADDY DAUGHTER EVENT

**Dads of all shapes and sizes are welcome...step
dads, grandpas, foster parents, etc...**

Date & Time: July 30th 1-3pm

Location: West Haven Public School

**Details: Learn from two professional hair stylists
how to do 4 simple styles!**

All supplies provided

FREE EVENT



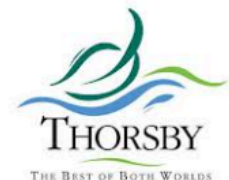


Preparing for what matters most: An introduction to the Aging Well in Leduc County workbook

What would happen if your health, mobility, or financial situation changed tomorrow—would your life still reflect what matters most to you?

This session introduces the Aging Well in Leduc County workbook, a practical and supportive resource for adults, older adults, and caregivers who want to plan ahead with clarity and confidence. You'll learn how the workbook can help you identify where you—or a loved one—are in the planning journey, and how to take meaningful first steps toward a future that aligns with your values, wishes, and priorities.

- ▶ **Date (select one of):** Thursday, July 16, and Thursday, Aug. 13, 2026
- ▶ **Time:** 2 to 3:30 p.m.
- ▶ **Locations:** July 16 - Calmar District Fire Station, 4517 50 St., Calmar
August 13 - Online, Zoom link provided after registration
- ▶ **Registration:** Call 780-979-2385 or email fcssinfo@leduc-county.com



FREE

Summer Social Emotional Day Camp Opportunities

Emotional Literacy, Regulation and Coping tools

This day will gently introduce children to understanding emotions through interactive, nature-based learning. Together, we will explore how feelings show up in the body, practice simple regulation tools through movement, breath, and grounding, and build a shared language for emotional expression. The day will include guided outdoor activities, small-group connection circles, creative expression, and plenty of time in nature to practice calming strategies in real time. Children will leave with practical coping tools they can use at home, at school, and with friends.

This is an outdoor day camp at a nature-based therapeutic retreat centre.

- ▶ **Date:** Wednesday, July 8, 2026
- ▶ **Time:** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ▶ **Location:** Nurtured Minds Wellness Retreat Centre, Wizard Lake
- ▶ **Registration:** [Online](https://leduc-county.com/emotional-literacy) or leduc-county.com/emotional-literacy
- ▶ **Registration deadline and capacity:** July 3, at noon. Twelve spaces available
- ▶ **Ages:** For children aged eight to 13 who reside in Leduc County, Calmar, Thorsby, or Warburg
- ▶ **Cost:** Free - lunch included



Life transitions - grief, loss and separation

This supportive day offers children a safe and compassionate space to explore experiences of change, grief, and big feelings at their own pace. Through gentle nature-based practices, storytelling, art, and reflective outdoor activities, we will normalize grief and help children understand their experiences in age-appropriate ways. The day includes quiet moments in nature, opportunities for connection and sharing, and simple rituals to support meaning-making and emotional processing. Our focus is on reassurance, belonging, and helping children feel less alone in their experiences.

This is an outdoor day camp at a nature-based therapeutic retreat centre.

- ▶ **Date:** Wednesday, July 15, 2026
- ▶ **Time:** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ▶ **Location:** Nurtured Minds Wellness Retreat Centre, Wizard Lake
- ▶ **Registration:** [Online](https://leduc-county.com/life-transitions) or leduc-county.com/life-transitions
- ▶ **Registration deadline and capacity:** July 10, at noon. Twelve spaces available
- ▶ **Ages:** For children aged eight to 13 who reside in Leduc County, Calmar, Thorsby, or Warburg
- ▶ **Cost:** Free - lunch included

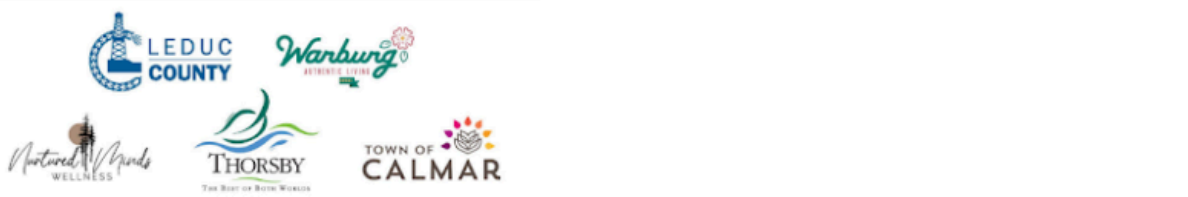


Friendships skills and Communication

This interactive day focuses on building confidence, connection, and healthy communication skills through experiential learning in nature. Children will practice listening, expressing themselves clearly, setting boundaries, and navigating conflict through games, role-play, and group activities. Outdoor challenges and cooperative nature-based exercises will support teamwork and problem-solving while fostering empathy and self-awareness. The day includes space for reflection, connection, and laughter, helping children strengthen both their social skills and sense of belonging.

This is an outdoor day camp at a nature-based therapeutic retreat centre.

- ▶ **Date:** Wednesday, July 22, 2026
- ▶ **Time:** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ▶ **Location:** Nurtured Minds Wellness Retreat Centre, Wizard Lake
- ▶ **Registration:** [Online](https://leduc-county.com/friendship-skills) or leduc-county.com/friendship-skills
- ▶ **Registration deadline and capacity:** July 17, at noon. Twelve spaces available
- ▶ **Ages:** For children aged eight to 13 who reside in Leduc County, Calmar, Thorsby, or Warburg
- ▶ **Cost:** Free - lunch included



Check out the FCSS website for more information



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

★ FOR THE 2026/27 SEASON ★



EARLY BIRD PRICING

JUNE 1, 2026 TO JULY 31, 2026

August 1, 2026 rates for U11 and up will increase by **\$250** and U7 & U9 will increase by **\$100**.



DEADLINE TO REGISTER

AUGUST 31, 2026

After this date, players will be put on a waiting list. If rosters are full, late registration **will not be accepted**.



REGISTER EARLY & SAVE!

★ LET'S HAVE A GREAT SEASON! ★

[REGISTRATION LINK](#)

TIGER PRIDE SUMMER

BASKETBALL CAMP



JUNE 29 - JULY 2

GRADES 4-6

\$225

BEFORE

AND 7-9

JUNE 15

9:00 AM-2:00 PM

Leduc Composite High School

To Register Contact:

raelynn.mryglod@gshare.blackgold.ca

**For Questions or
More Information**

Vince May

780-721-7481

Contact:

E-mail: vince.may@gshare.blackgold.ca

ARCTIC SPAS RECREATION COMPLEX

Summer PROGRAMS

Registration
now open



Banish summer boredom and sign your kids up for summer camps at the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex!

Register @ **thorsby.ca/recreation**

Arctic Spas Rec Complex

4901-48Ave Thorsby AB

780-789-4041

thorsby.ca/recreation



Tools FOR School



HIGH NEED ITEMS

*Please ensure all supplies donated are new or unused



Tools for School provides backpacks filled with school supplies for students in Kindergarten through Grade 12 for families needing support

If your child needs a backpack, contact the Leduc & District Food Bank to register:

780-986-5333

Director@ldfb.ca

For donations, Leduc Food Bank collection boxes are located in local grocery stores:

staples 
Walmart 

or donate online: www.ldfb.ca