

École Secondaire Foothills
Composite High School /
Alberta High School of
Fine Arts

INFORMATION
EVENING





WELCOME
CLASS OF 2027

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

ÉSFCHS (École Secondaire Foothills Composite High School): hosts a vibrant FI Program, developing high levels of written and verbal fluence through engagement in literacy and filmic texts, and the content of Social Studies.

AHSFA (Alberta High School of Fine Arts): is recognized for award-winning performances in all facets of choir, theatre, music. AHSFA is the perfect stepping stone to advancing in the Arts.

FCHS (Foothills Composite High School): is a multi-stream school with multiple paths for educational development including the groundwork for apprenticeships, Fine Arts, Music and many exciting trade options.



YOUR TEAM

ADMINISTRATORS

PRINCIPAL:
Mrs. Kerry Welsh

GRADE 10 VICE PRINCIPAL:
Mr. Jeromy Hall

GRADE 11 VICE PRINCIPAL:
Ms. Leanne Hellman

GRADE 12 VICE PRINCIPAL:
Mrs. Gina Kilbreath

STUDENT RESPONSE TEAM (SRT)

ACADEMIC ADVISORS
LEARNING COACH
FAMILY SCHOOL LIAISON COUNSELLOR
GRADE LEVEL ADMIN

Your Academic Advisors!

Mrs. Dupras— Grade 10s (THAT'S YOU)
Grade 11s (last names starting with L-Z)

Ms. Bowman—
Grade 11s (last names starting with A-K)
Grade 12s



TIME LINE



March:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Open House• Grade 10 course recommendations from grade 9 teachers
April:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Course selections submitted• Registration opens (non feeder school students)
May:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AP entrance exams (ELA only)
August:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Timetables emailed home

OPEN HOUSE QR CODE

You will find additional information at our Open House website.

Brief descriptions and room numbers are provided for all CTS courses and option courses.

There is digital map to help guide you. Take a screenshot!





ÉSFCHS/AHSFA
Grade 10 Course Selection Form

This document has been created to help students plan their course load for grade 10. This form is for personal use ONLY and will NOT be submitted to the school.

STUDENT				
Last Name:		First Name:		
What high school do you plan to graduate from:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Alberta High School of Fine Arts <input type="checkbox"/> École Secondaire Foothills Composite High School				
Grade 9 Teacher Recommendations				
English Language Arts	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-1 AP	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-1	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-2	<input type="checkbox"/> K&E 10-4
Math	<input type="checkbox"/> 10C AP	<input type="checkbox"/> 10C	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-3	<input type="checkbox"/> K&E 10-4
Social Studies		<input type="checkbox"/> 10-1	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-2	<input type="checkbox"/> K&E 10-4
Science		<input type="checkbox"/> 10	<input type="checkbox"/> 14	<input type="checkbox"/> K&E 10-4

TENTATIVE REGISTRATION – Grade 10

Subject Name	Possible Streams			
	*To help ensure a smooth transition into High School and to gain success in academic courses, students will be placed in the Math and Science levels as recommended by their Junior High School. *AP courses may require entrance exams.			
English Language Arts	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-1 AP	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-1	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-2	<input type="checkbox"/> K&E 10-4
Math	<input type="checkbox"/> 10C AP	<input type="checkbox"/> 10C	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-3	<input type="checkbox"/> K&E 10-4
Social Studies		<input type="checkbox"/> 10-1	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-2	<input type="checkbox"/> K&E 10-4
Science		<input type="checkbox"/> 10	<input type="checkbox"/> 14	<input type="checkbox"/> K&E 10-4
French Language Arts (immersion students)		<input type="checkbox"/> 10-1	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-2	
French Social Studies (immersion students)		<input type="checkbox"/> 10-1	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-2	
Physical Education 10 (High School graduation requirement)	<input type="checkbox"/> 10			
CALM (Career and Life Management—graduation requirement)	<input type="checkbox"/> 20			

PLEASE WRITE OPTION COURSE NAME IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE

Requested Option Courses	Alternate Option Courses
Please choose your option courses thoughtfully and carefully as there is no guarantee that these will be able to be changed when you are in Grade 10.	Please do not choose options that take place outside of the timetable or where auditions are required. These courses will be selected for your schedule if a requested option is full.
Option Course 1:	Alternate Course 1:
Option Course 2:	Alternative Course 2:
Option Course 3:	Alternative Course 3:
Option Course 4:	Alternative Course 4:

Note: All courses will be offered based on student interest, enrolment, and school resources.

Course Offerings

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Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English 10-1 AP English 10-1 English 10-2 English 10-4 K&E	English 20-1 AP English 20-1 English 20-2 English 20-4 K&E	English 30-1 AP English 30-1 English 30-2 English 30-4 K&E
Social Studies 10-1 Social Studies 10-2 Social Studies 10-4 K&E	Social Studies 20-1 Social Studies 20-2 Social Studies 20-4 K&E	Social Studies 30-1 Social Studies 30-2
Mathematics 10C AP Mathematics 10C Mathematics 10-3 Mathematics 10-4 K&E	Mathematics 20 AP Mathematics 20-1 Mathematics 20-2 Mathematics 20-3 Mathematics 20-4 K&E	Mathematics 30-1 Mathematics 30-2 Mathematics 30-3 Math 30 AP Mathematics 31 Mathematics 31 AP
Science 10 Science 14 Science 10-4 K&E	Biology 20 Chemistry 20 Physics 20 Science 20 Science 24 Science 20-4 K&E	Biology 30 Chemistry 30 Physics 30 Science 30
French Language Arts 10 French Social Studies 10	French Language Arts 20 French Social Studies 20	French Language Arts 30 French Social Studies 30
Physical Education 10 Career And Life Management (CALM 20)	Physical Education 20 Career And Life Management (CALM 20)	Physical Education 30
Career and Technology Services (CTS)		
Business Studies 10 Construction Technology 10 Cosmetology 1 Design and Development 10 Fabrication/Welding 10 Foods Culinary Arts 10 Mechanics 10 New Media 10 Outdoor Education 10 Robotics 10 Sports Medicine 10 Sports Performance 10 Video Game Design 10	Business Studies 20 Construction Technology 20 Cosmetology 2A & 2B Design and Development: Computer Science Stream 20 Design & Development: Design Stream 20 Electrical 20 Fabrication/Welding 20 Foods Culinary Arts 20 Mechanics 20 New Media 20: Graphic Design New Media 20: Graphic Design New Media 20: Movie Production & Broadcast TV Outdoor Education 20 Plumbing 20 Robotics 20 Sports Medicine 20 Sports Performance 20 Video Game Design 20	Business Studies 30 Construction Technology 30 Cosmetology 3 AM/3 BM Design and Development 30: Computer Science Stream Design & Development 30: Design Stream Fabrication/Welding 30 Foods Culinary Arts 30 Mechanics 30 New Media 30: Graphic Design New Media 30: Movie Production & Broadcast TV Outdoor Education 30 Robotics 30 Sports Medicine 30 Sports Performance 30 Video Game Design 30
Complementary		
Indigenous Studies 10 Creative Writing and Publishing 15 English Language Learning Multi-Level French 10 Leadership 15 Mathematics 15 Spanish 10 Yoga 15	Indigenous Studies 20 Creative Writing and Publishing 25 Forensics & Law 25/35 French 20 Leadership 25/35 Spanish 20	Indigenous Studies 30 Creative Writing and Publishing 35 Forensics & Law 25/35 French 30 Leadership 25/35 Sociology/Psychology 30 Spanish 30
Fine Arts		
Art 10 Art History 10 Dance 15 Drama 10 General Music 10 Instrumental Music 10 Jazz Band 10 Musical Theatre 15 Technical Theatre 15 Vocal 10-audition required	Art 20 Art History 25 Dance 25 Drama 20 General Music 20 Instrumental Music 20 Jazz Band 20 Musical Theatre 25 Technical Theatre 25 Vocal 20-audition required	Art 30 Art History 35 Drama 30 General Music 30 Instrumental Music 30 Jazz Band 35 Musical Theatre 35 Portfolio Art 35 Technical Theatre 35 Vocal 30-audition required
After School		
Advanced Acting 15	Advanced Acting 25	Advanced Acting 35

AND WHILE YOUR AT IT...

→ Scan to follow our
very own Ferris Falcon
Instagram account!

→ Ferris Falcon
communicates important
events to students and
families.



COMMUNICATION WITH HOME



- **Webpage** updated regularly
- **Maplewood/Edsembli** Parental access to grades and attendance
- **Monthly progress reports** email reminder from FSD to check Edsembli
- **Synervoice**: important announcement that reports to parents unexcused absences. Please excuse your child when absent!
- Please follow us on **Instagram**
 - **@ferrisfalcon**
 - **@fchs_ac_counsellors**




HIGH SCHOOL 101

Join us on March 12 @ 6:30pm in the large gym
OR on March 14 @ 6pm virtually!

The FOCUS:

- Why teacher recommendations are important
- What each pathway/stream means and how to ensure students are in the correct pathway
- What it takes to graduate with a high school diploma
- Choosing courses based on post-secondary goals
- Prepping for the big jump to high school
- Special programming (work experience, RAP)
- This is open to grade 9 and grade 10 families, to start with



CORE SUBJECT ACADEMIC PATHWAYS

- We offer different Levels of Programming at FCHS!
- When transitioning into our building— together we will work on designing a timetable that is focused on success!
- Please visit our school website for course details found in our Registration Handbook
 - ← This hand book will be important when selecting classes!

How do I choose the correct levels for my core subjects?

Study at the highest level you can comfortably succeed in.



Your **current and past teachers** of each core subject will submit a recommendation on your behalf.

You will be placed in the **recommended courses** and conversations around your success will continue with your Academic Advisor.

****We are NOT** staffed to allow students to retake courses.

Summer school or online learning may be needed if students are unsuccessful!

ACADEMICS

- **Math**
(includes AP or 10C)
- **Sciences**
(includes Science 10 or 14)
- **Social Studies**
(includes -1 and -2 pathways)
- **English Language Arts**
(includes AP, -1 and -2 pathways)

Please joins us for High School 101 for more information!

**Supports in Place for ILP Students
Certificate of Completion & Certificate of Achievement Pathways**



ENGLISH & MATH ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)

What is AP?

AP is enrichment for students who are **passionate, self-motivated** and have **excellent work ethic** in Math and/or English.

AP offers **accelerated** results for motivated students, **preparing** them for the transition from high school to university.



How do I know whether I should be an Advanced Placement (AP) student?

- An AP student is someone who is **highly motivated**, **independent**, **loves to learn** and is **passionate** about either **Math or English**.
- It is not just about the marks in grade 9, but much more about *work ethic and responsibility*.
- AP classes **move** more **quickly** so you need to be able to learn quickly and work tirelessly on your own to keep up with the work.
- Check out our website under **Programs – AP** for test dates and information.



FRENCH IMMERSION

- French Immersion students take Études sociales in one semester and French Language Arts in the other semester.
- Students also participate in the French for the Future National Forum, attempt their DELF diploma, and have the opportunity to travel to France, among other cultural activities.
- Acceleration opportunities for FSL 10, 20 & 30



Second Languages

Spanish

French

Why study a second language?

- Having a second language to the 30 level helps open up numerous post-secondary doors
- Languages are academic options (requirements for university programs are English 30-1, 3 academic grade 12 courses & 1 grade 12 option)
- Travelling opportunities



Take a glimpse into the future.

Off Campus Programs

- **Work Experience**
- **Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP)**
- **Green Certificate**





FINE ARTS

Performing Arts

- Music-Instrumental
- Music-Choral
- Music- Vocal Ensemble
- Music-Jazz Band
(afterschool)
- Music- General
- Dance
- Drama
- Drama- Advanced Acting
(afterschool)
- Musical Theatre

Technical Arts

- Drama
- Drama-Technical
Theatre
- Design & Development
- New Media

Visual Arts

- Art
- Art History
- Design &
Development
- New Media
- Professional Studio
Arts
- Graphic Design

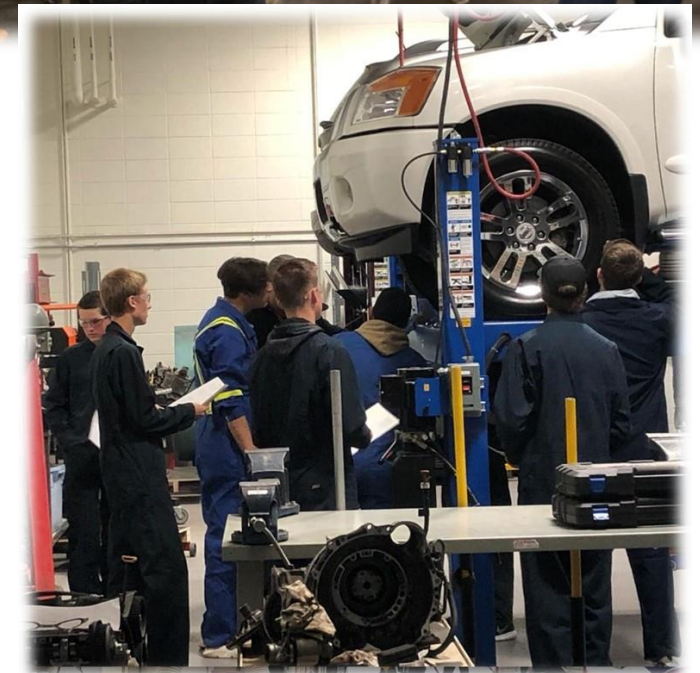
GRADUATING FROM ALBERTA HIGH SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS

- AHSFA Intent Forms are available online
- If you are interested in 2 different streams within the Fine Arts-then a Fine Arts diploma would be for you!
- AHSFA students will focus on building a **personal portfolio** throughout their high school experience. Portfolios can be **powerful collection of evidence** that showcases a student's **skills and talents** when applying to university programs, scholarships and/or future career placements.



CAREER & TECHNOLOGY STUDIES (CTS)

- Aviation
- Business Education
- Welding/Fabrication
- Construction technology
- Mechanics
- Outdoor Education
- Forensics and Law
- Cosmetology
- Design and Development (computer science)
- Foods/ Professional Culinary Arts
- Movie and Television Production
- Leadership
- New Media
- Plumbing and Electrical
- Robotics
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Video Game Design
- Graphic design





**NEW CLASSES BEING ADDED FOR
THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

● **Yoga 15**

GRADE 10 REQUIRED COURSES

- ALL grade 10s will be scheduled to take **Physical Education (PE) 10 and CALM** (unless they take it in summer school)

NOTE: if student plans to take PE or CALM in the summer they should NOT select it in their courses. We do not have to be notified of registration.



Athletics

Fall Athletics

Football
Volleyball (Jr. & Sr)
Golf
Girls Soccer
X Country

Spring Athletics


Rugby
Badminton
Boys Soccer
Track & Field
Baseball
Triathlon
Baseball


Winter Athletics


Basketball (Jr. & Sr.)







ALBERTA SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
A.S.A.A.
SOUTH CENTRAL ZONE
SENIOR HIGH
J.V.
4A BOYS
BASKETBALL
2023
Champions

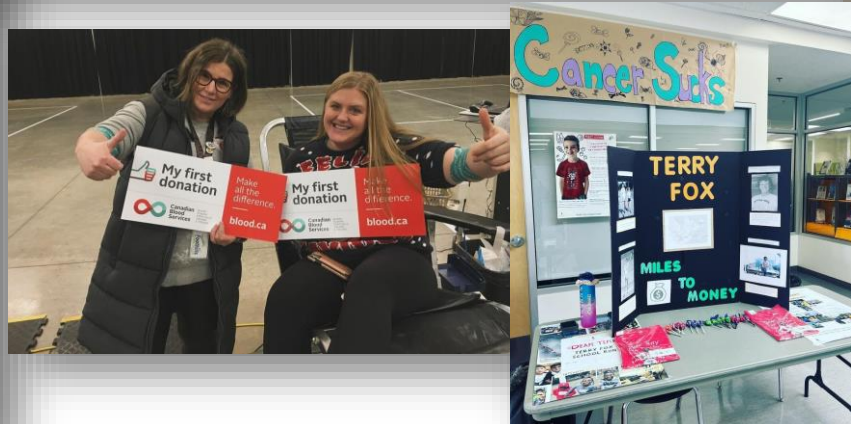

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Spirit





Clubs

Get involved !

**Falcon's United Nations
Yearbook**

**Dungeons and Dragons/Gaming
Hangout Club**

Positive Impact - CrossFit

Student Matters

Triathlon Club

Grad Committee

Chess Tournaments

Students Union

Game Board Club

**Student Blood Drive
Committee**

Archery

Art Club

Yearbook Club

Writer's Ink



Student Union



Year-round opportunity to lead and serve our school through adding **student voice** to learning **decisions**, organizing **school spirit** activities and **participating** in charitable work that supports those in need.

WHY JOIN S.U.?

Gain
valuable
experience.

**JOB EXPERIENCE/
REFERENCE LETTERS**

Shape the
school you
want!

SCHOOL CULTURE

SCHOOL COUNCIL

PARENT FALCONS

YOUR opportunity to get involved as a parent here at *Foothills Composite High School/Alberta High School of Fine Arts* and to have input on the many decisions that are made in the best interests of our students!

ALL are welcome and meetings take place monthly every **2nd Tuesday of the Month @ 6 pm.**

Becoming a Falcon ...

Registration Process

Students **IN** FSD Junior Highs

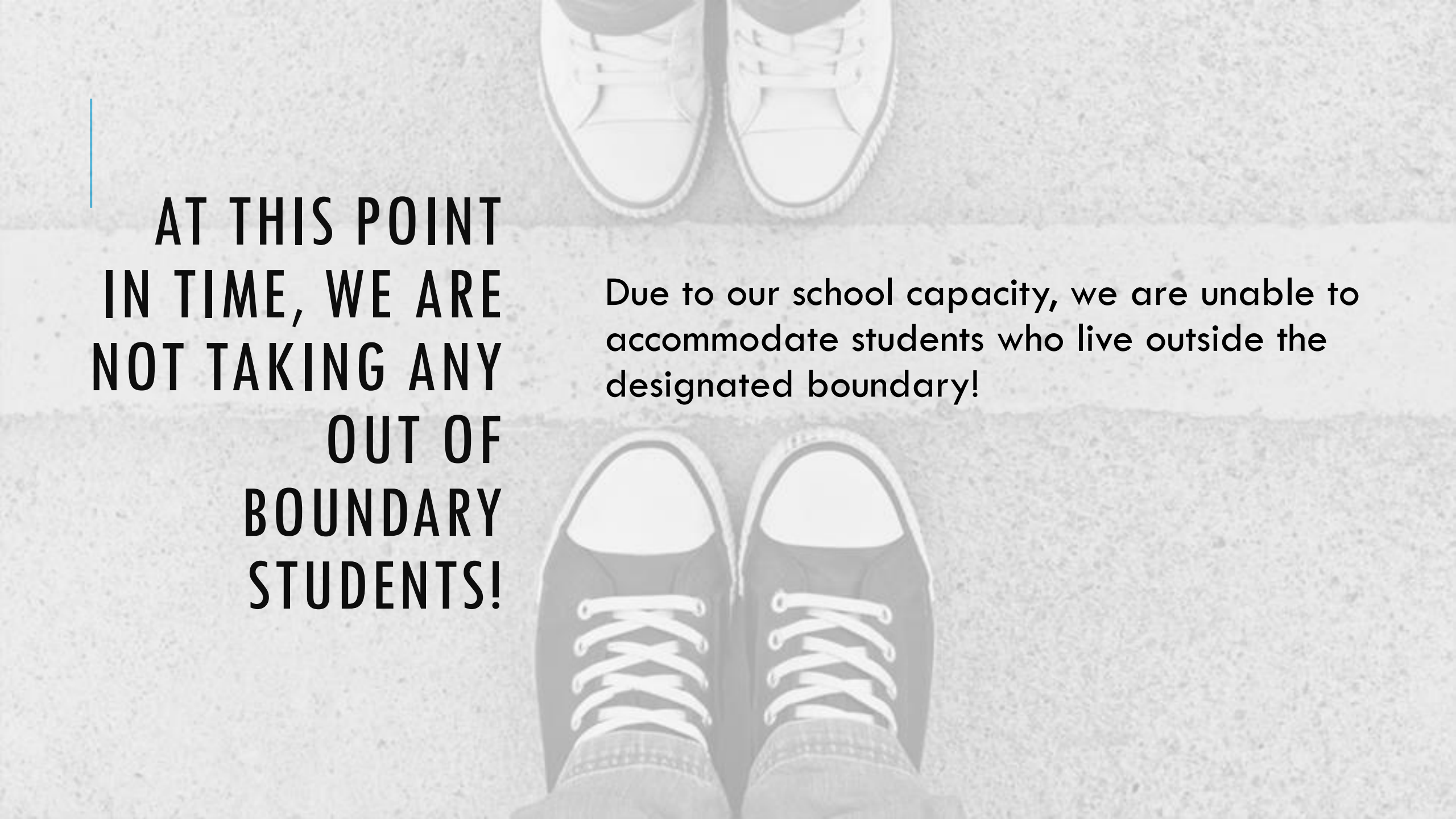
- Students are **automatically registered** from our FSD feeder school.
- There is a link on the open house website that will provide registration information
- Timetables will be sent out in August!
Change requests will occur through our Google form OR students will have an opportunity during the first week of school.
****Changes are not guaranteed**

Becoming a Falcon ...

Registration Process

Students Attending Non-FSD Junior High Schools

1. On-line registration is open NOW for all students **who are in our boundaries.**
2. The mandatory registration documents can be found on **FCHS website** under "OUR SCHOOL" drop down link.
3. Timetables will be sent out in August!
Change requests will occur through our Google form OR students will have an opportunity during the first week of school.
****Changes are not guaranteed**



**AT THIS POINT
IN TIME, WE ARE
NOT TAKING ANY
OUT OF
BOUNDARY
STUDENTS!**

Due to our school capacity, we are unable to accommodate students who live outside the designated boundary!

Frequently Asked Questions Transitioning to Grade 10





WHAT CAN I DO TO BE CERTAIN I
GET THE COURSES I CHOOSE?

- Choose your courses well!
 - Take your time. It is not first come, first served!
 - Start having course conversations at home
 - Discuss recommendations with Jr high teachers
- Not sure you are coming to FCHS/AHSFA?
 - Please submit your class choices regardless! Plans can change.

Should I take a Summer School Course before Grade 10?

Summer School is a family decision and NOT a requirement.

- **If you are going to enroll— We recommend Math 15 (this is a prep class for math 10C)**
- **Take CALM or PE 10**

FSD Summer School Registration will open in April



What resources do I need to plan and choose well?

Please check our school website:

<https://www.foothillsschooldivision.ca/foothillscomposite>

You'll find copies of our presentations, documents and helpful tips to make the appropriate courses selections.

How do I get answers to other questions?

Contact your amazing School Academic Advisor:

Ms. Bowman or Mrs. Dupras

bowmanp@fsd38.ab.ca duprass@fsd38.ab.ca



LEARNING SUPPORT

Meeting the Needs
of **ALL** Learners

Learning Support Presentation:
If interested, please head to room 120
at 6:45!

- ILPs in high school
- Accommodations for students
- The Falcon's Nest and alternative spaces for learning



WELCOME

**NEW
FALCONS!**



Thank You For Joining Us

Go and Explore!

We look forward to meeting our future Falcon Families!