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September Newsletter

Dear ÉSFCHS/AHSFA families,

Welcome to the 2025–2026 school year at École Secondaire Foothills Composite High School and Alberta High School of Fine Arts. We hope your summer was filled with memorable moments, and we are excited to begin another year of learning, connection, and community together.

At ÉSFCHS/AHSFA, strong partnerships and clear communication between home and school are essential to student success, and we encourage families to stay connected by reviewing school communications, the website, and the school calendar regularly.

Who to Contact

If you have questions or need support, please connect with the appropriate grade-level administrator:

- Kerry Welsh – Principal | welshk@fsd38.ab.ca
- Robyn McClure – Vice-Principal, Grade 10 | mcclurer@fsd38.ab.ca
- Gina Kilbreath – Vice-Principal, Grade 11 | kilbreathg@fsd38.ab.ca
- Kelli Graham – Vice-Principal, Grade 12 | grahamk@fsd38.ab.ca

School Council and Parent Involvement

- We look forward to sharing the dates and times for our school council meetings with you soon!

- Families can also get involved through the Fine Arts Society and Athletics Society.
- An email will be sent home later in the year for all grade 12 parents who would like to join the Grad Committee.

Parking

- **Grade 12 students** who would like a parking pass must review the section of the [Student Handbook](#) regarding parking and complete all sections of the parking Google Form.
- **You must register and pick up your parking pass before Monday, September 21, when parking passes will be opened up to Grade 11 students.**
- Students who regularly drive more than one vehicle should include information for both vehicles.
- Students must bring their driver's license and a photo of their license plate when picking up their parking pass at the office.

School Photos

Mountain West Studios was at our school on Friday, September 11 for school photos. These photos are now available online to view and order. For information on how to access photos, click [here](#). **Photo retakes will be on Wednesday, October 14.**

Fall Athletics

- Fall sports are underway, including volleyball, soccer, golf, football, and cross country. Please visit our school website for game/event times.
- We are looking forward to a strong season of athletics and school spirit.
- For safety and security reasons, backpacks and bags are not permitted at home football games

Grade 12 Graduation Information

- Graduation events are currently scheduled for Friday, May 14-15.
- The graduation ceremony will take place on Friday, May 14.
- The BMO Dinner and Dance will take place on Saturday, May 15.
- Grad photos will take place off site during the week of December 7–11. We will be working with a new photographer this year. Sign-up information was shared by the photographers on school photo day with grade 12 students. Student can visit <https://www.mountainwest.ca/grad-photos> to book their grad photo.

Staying Connected

- Please check the school website, school calendar, Edsembli Family Portal, and school communications regularly for current information.
- The Student Reference Guide/Handbook is available here: <https://www.foothillsschooldivision.ca/foothillscomposite/student-reference-guide-handbook>. We are in the process of making minor updates to the handbook, and it will be reposted shortly.
- For general questions, contact the school office at 403-938-6116 or email fchs-ahsfa@fsd38.ab.ca.
- Attendance can be reported by email at fchsattendance@fsd38.ab.ca or call 403-938-6116 option 8.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support. We are looking forward to a positive year of learning, connection, and community at ÉSFCHS/AHSFA.

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Important Dates

September 16 – Fire Drill

September 18 – Non-Instructional Day – no classes for students

September 23 – Terry Fox Walk

September 24 – Life After High School Presentation – 6pm in the Theatre

September 29 – Orange Shirt Day

September 30 – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – schools closed

Stay Connected:

Website: [foothillsschooldivision.ca/foothillscomposite](https://www.foothillsschooldivision.ca/foothillscomposite)

Phone: 403.938.6116 | 403.938.5514

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