



New Middle School In Cranston

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am honoured to introduce myself as the principal of the new middle school that's being built in Cranston.

My extensive experience within the Calgary Board of Education as a student, parent and educator has allowed me to establish a strong commitment to public education. Quality learning experiences are fundamental in building a future for each and every one of us. Our focus at the middle school in Cranston will be to know every student in our community; ensuring that we are creating learning opportunities that stimulate the mind and provide continual progress and success for each child. My mantra is: *There is no significant learning without a significant relationship.*

As the Consultant for Area III, I will continue to focus on my responsibilities there during the next few weeks.

At the beginning of April, I will be dedicated to the work of opening the new middle school in Cranston. In the months leading up to the new school's opening, I will be doing many things to prepare. Some of that work will include meeting with parents and students, hiring staff, determining the organization of the school and preparing the school budget for the 2016-17 school year.

As you may already know, the Calgary Board of Education has 21 new school construction projects underway in communities throughout Calgary to support its growing student population. The new school building in Cranston is expected to open in January 2017 and will offer regular programming to students in grades 4 and 5 in the first year. I am very excited to work with parents, students and staff to build a new school community that reflects the unique qualities of Cranston and is a supportive and positive place for your children to learn.

I am interested in gathering your questions and thoughts regarding the new school in your community. Please fill out this brief survey at

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Cranston_Community before April 4, 2016.

For information on the new school and answers to some of your questions, visit cbe.ab.ca/schools, click on Building and Modernizing Schools and then click on the link for the new school in your community. Please check back regularly for updates as new information is posted when it becomes available. You can also e-mail cbecommunications@cbe.ab.ca with any questions related to new school construction and accommodation.

Opening a new school requires ongoing and regular communication with parents and students. I look forward to beginning and continuing our shared work together.

Sincerely,

Patty Numan
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Calgary Board of Education