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# **Update Regarding Regular Program School Designation for Students Residing in Belvedere**

#### **Update**

The CBE requested and received approval from Alberta Education to have in its boundary a larger portion of the community of Belvedere at the southeast corner of 17th Avenue SE and 84th Street SE. Effective Sept. 2023, this portion of the Belvedere community will be within CBE's boundary. The attached map shows the new community boundary and highlights the area that has been incorporated. Please see the original <a href="notice">notice</a> circulated in June 2021 below for information on where students in Belvedere are designated.

### **Original Notice**

The Belvedere community is in the city's east planning sector between Stoney Trail NE and 116 Street SE/Range Road 284. Commercial development already exists Southwest of 84 Street SE with the East Hills Shopping Centre. Residential development is proceeding to the East of this area, with 4,000 people anticipated for this stage of the development. The Belvedere development will ultimately include four communities that will accommodate approximately 61,000 people and will be built over the next 15 to 20 years.

The Calgary Board of Education (CBE) would like to advise of the following school designations for students residing in the community of Belvedere.

# **Regular Program**

Elementary	Abbeydale School	320 Abergale Drive NE, Phone 403-777-6970
Junior High	Dr. Gladys M. Egbert School	6033 Madigan Drive NE, Phone 403-777-7780
Senior High	Forest Lawn High School	1304 - 44 Street SE, Phone 403-272-6665

General information regarding transportation services, fees and walk zones is available on the Calgary Board of Education's website and at the schools.

# Information Regarding Transportation Services for Regular Programs

Until yellow school bus service is added to new communities, we provide a stop as close as possible to a neighbouring community. The initial bus stop location may not fall within the current CBE guidelines for travel distance to a bus stop. Stops and services are reviewed as conditions change in a new community. For any questions, please contact transportation@cbe.ab.ca.

If the existing bus stop in a neighbouring community does not meet the family's needs, payment in lieu of transportation will be considered until it is safe and feasible to add transportation service in Belvedere. Payment in lieu means that families receive a daily rate based on the distance travelled while their child is in the vehicle, to and from school.

New communities are regularly assessed for their suitability for transportation services. We ensure a consistent and safe path that is clear of obstructions, which are frequently caused by construction supplies and equipment in newer communities. We need city-maintained roads for the yellow school bus to enter, maneuver to pick up students and safely exit the community. Next, we look for an appropriate place for a bus stop that will allow for consistent, safe loading and unloading of passengers. Once there is a safe path and a safe stop location, we add yellow school bus service to new communities.

## Alternative Programs at the CBE

The CBE also offers many alternative program choices for our students. For information regarding designations to other CBE programming opportunities, visit <a href="https://example.com/Program-Options">Program Options</a>.

The following chart outlines Belvedere school designations for alternative programs:

Program	Elementary (if applicable)	Middle/Junior (if applicable)	Senior (if applicable)
French Immersion	Mayland Heights School	Bob Edwards School	Western Canada High School
Spanish Bilingual	Collingwood School	Senator Patrick Burns School	Crescent Heights High School
Chinese/Mandarin Bilingual	Highwood School	Colonel Irvine School	
TLC	Chris Akkerman School	Sir Wilfrid Laurier School	
Science	Valley View School	Ian Bazalgette School	
Arts Centred Learning		Sir John Franklin School	
All Girls	Alice Jamieson School	Alice Jamieson School	
Montessori	Killarney School		
German Bilingual	Bowcroft School		
All Boys	Sir James Lougheed School		
Indigenous Focus	Niitsitapi Learning Centre or Piitoayis Family School		

#### Information Regarding Transportation Services for Alternative Programs

Students attending alternative programs may be designated to general transportation under the congregated bus stop model or to Calgary Transit.

Congregated stops are used when students from the same or multiple communities congregate or gather at one stop to take a bus to their chosen school.

The bus stop may be well beyond reasonable walking distance from a student's home. Families are responsible for student safety to and from the bus stop and may be required to arrange transportation to and from the congregated stop.

Information regarding students in Grades 6 and up who are designated to Calgary Transit is available on the Calgary Board of Education's website.



If you have questions or require additional information, please contact the Area 3 office at 403-777-6820 (extension 0) or  $\underline{\text{Area3@cbe.ab.ca}}$ .

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