



## Dr. Roberta Bondar School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am delighted to introduce myself as the principal of the new Dr. Roberta Bondar School. My past experiences with young students, as both a teacher and an administrator, provide me with a solid foundation to work with you to build a strong school community. As an instructional leader, my focus is on creating and supporting a school environment that meets the needs of all learners.

As the principal of Fish Creek School, I will continue to focus on my responsibilities there during the next few weeks and will support this school's transition to a new principal.

At the beginning of April, I will be dedicated to the work of opening Dr. Roberta Bondar School. 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. Our new elementary school is expected to open in January 2017 and will offer regular programming, initially to students in kindergarten to grade 4. As the school is built out, grades 5 and 6 will be added. I am excited to work with parents, students and staff to build a new school community that reflects the unique qualities of student and families, and is a supportive and positive place for your children to learn.

I am interested in having your input on the organization of the new school. Please fill out this brief survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/72BGJKN> before April 4, 2016.

For information on the new school and answers to some of your questions, visit [cbe.ab.ca/schools](http://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](mailto:cbecommunications@cbe.ab.ca) with any questions related to new school construction and accommodation.

The prospect of starting up a new school is exciting and challenging, and I am looking forward to working with you.

Laine Mulholland, Principal