

Welcome to Pines Alternative School



Introducing:

My name is Kelly Brand and I am so excited to be joining the Alternative School programs as principal this year. I have been with Red Deer Public for 18 years and have been at Hunting Hills, Eastview Middle School, Lindsay Thurber and Westpark Middle School as teacher, vice principal and principal. I am looking forward to getting to know our students and families and can't wait to support you in your educational journey.

REGISTRATION

Registration appointments have been going well so far this year. If you have received this newsletter and have not yet set up an appointment to get yourself or your child registered, please do so ASAP. Pines: (403) 343-1354 North Cottage: (403) 342-2170

QUARTER DATES

The dates for our Quarters this year are:

Q1- September 3- November 6

Q2- November 12-January 28

Q3- February 2- April 17

Q4- April 20- June 23

OPEN HOUSES

We will be hosting open houses this year each quarter. The Quarter 1 open House is Wednesday, October 8 from 4:30-6:30pm. We invite students and their families to come out for a meal and to have the opportunity to see the school. All are welcome!

Looking ahead... Important Dates and Reminders

September Dates

September 2- Quarter 1 start

September 29- Orange Shirt Day

September 30- NO School
(National Truth and Reconciliation Day)

October Dates

October 8- Quarter 1 Open House

October 9 and 10- NO School
(Staff Learning Days)

October 13- NO School
(Thanksgiving Day)

October 15- Quarter 1 Assembly

October 27-31- Quarter 2
Registration

October 29- English Pt A
Diploma

October 30- Social Studies Pt. A
Diploma

Reminders and Links

- Please be checking your child's attendance and progress in the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#)
- Inactive students will receive reminders to stay up to date with their work. The end of a quarter will sneak up on you!
- [Academic honesty policy](#)
- If you get a job during the year, please make sure you reach out to Jim or Jody to get set up for Workplace Safety so you can start earning credits while you work!
- All bags and devices need to be stored in student lockers during class time.