

HERE IN SPIRIT... Regional Newsletter Holy Spirit Catholic Schools

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Our Mission

We are a Catholic Faith Community dedicated to providing each student with an education rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ. Guided by the Holy Spirit, in partnership with home, parish and society, our schools foster the growth of responsible citizens who will live, celebrate and proclaim their faith. Our Catholic Faith is the foundation of all that we do.

Chris Smeaton- Superintendent of Schools



Chris is in his second stint with Holy Spirit Catholic School Division. He served as the Principal of St. Patrick School in Taber from 1996 – 2001 and returned in 2008 as the Deputy Superintendent. He has been the Superintendent of Schools since June 2009 and reports directly to the Board of Trustees. Chris has administrative oversight of the entire division as both Chief Executive Officer and Chief Educational Officer. In order to facilitate his duties, he works closely with his senior administration team and our schools' leaders. Although consumed with meetings in his role, he strives to get out into the schools, his favourite part of his job!

Brian Macaulay – Deputy Superintendent

Brian has been with Holy Spirit Catholic Schools since 2010. He is responsible for ensuring that all of our schools are staffed with the most qualified employees, by being involved in the interview process for all positions in our division. He ensures that employment standards, regulations and terms of the collective agreements are being followed. Brian handles all negotiations and labour meetings with our various unions. He facilitates our Faith Formation Program for all new teachers, as well as the Catholic Leadership Program. You may see him in various school classrooms doing observations to assist with the evaluations of our new teachers.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

TEMPORARY EARLY LEARNING EDUCATION ASSISTANT- St Joseph School

External applicants must provide a current criminal record (including vulnerable sectors) check, and a current child intervention check prior to receiving a contract, if chosen as the successful candidate.

The Holy Spirit Catholic Board of Education requires a temporary 14.0 hour per week Early Learning Education Assistant at St. Joseph School in Coaldale starting as soon as possible and terminating June 16, 2017. **Please quote posting #20170101**

To be considered for this position candidates must possess or be willing to gain the following skills:

- Hanen Learning Language and Loving It Certification.
- At least one year experience working in Childhood Program and/or with children with special needs.
- Experience working proactively with positive intervention with child's behaviours.
- Is able to provide supports and cues for sound production as directed by the Speech Language Pathologist.
- Is able to match activities and model appropriate behaviours at child's functioning level.
- Has or is willing to gain Child Development Worker certificate within the first six months of employment.
- Has or is willing to gain First Aid Training.
- Positions may require providing assistance with toileting and other daily living skills.
- Has the ability to work effectively within a trans-disciplinary team which is dependent on the child's need.
- Is able to take direction from the professional team.
- Must be physically able to engage and participate in the active ECS environment.

For more information regarding this position, please call the Coordinator of Early Learning, Mrs. Lynn Saler at (403) 327-9555.

Application package must include the following:

- A cover letter indicating the position applied for;
- A completed Holy Spirit Support Staff Application Form located on our website: <http://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/page.cfm?pgID=41>
- Documentation which would support the education requirements for this position;
- Contact information for 3 references

This position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. Interested, qualified applicants are asked to submit **by email** a complete application package as described above to:

Mr. Brian Macauley, Deputy Superintendent
Holy Spirit Catholic School Division
Email: kawarh@holyspirit.ab.ca

We wish to thank all applicants in advance for submitting résumés, however only those candidates selected for interviews will be contacted.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

The successful candidates must provide a current criminal record (including vulnerable sectors) check, and a current child intervention check prior to being added to the sub list.

The Holy Spirit Catholic Board of Education has openings for substitute teachers.

The Individual

You are a strong advocate for youth and their success in learning. You demonstrate by interest, lifestyle, and growth involvement within a Christ-centered working environment. Your participation within the Catholic faith is considered to be an asset.

Qualifications

Certified to teach in the province of Alberta.

Application package must include the following:

- A cover letter indicating the position applied for;
- Resume, and any other documentation which would support your application;
- Contact information for 3 references;
- Holy Spirit Substitute Teacher Application Form located on our website:
<http://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/page.cfm?pgID=41>
- Pastoral Reference Form located on our website: <http://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/page.cfm?pgID=41>

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CASUAL EDUCATION ASSISTANTS

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The Holy Spirit Catholic Board of Education has openings for casual Education Assistants.

The education assistant provides assistance to children with various degrees of need in the learning environment, under the direction and supervision of the inclusive education liaison, the classroom teacher, and the principal. In this position it is necessary to be physically fit in order to actively engage students in all aspects of their educational program. Confidentiality is of utmost importance in achieving the common good for all students. Through collaborative team-based structure, the education assistant will carry out tasks as assigned by both the daily and program supervisors.

QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION:

- Education Assistant Certificate and/or Diploma or Rehabilitation Practitioner Certificate and/or Diploma or equivalent.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

- At least one year experience working with students with special programming needs.

SKILLS:

- First Aid Training;
- Supporting Individuals Through Valued Attachments Training (SIVA) Certificate.

INTERPERSONAL SKILLS:

- Understands that it is of paramount importance to maintain confidentiality of all aspects of the school community;
- Excellent communication skills;
- Willing to participate in new learning opportunities;
- Ability to take responsibility for individual student needs;
- Ability to contribute in a collaborative team-based learning structure.

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RELIEF CARETAKERS

The successful candidates must provide a current criminal record (including vulnerable sectors) check, and a current child intervention check prior to being added to the relief list.

The Holy Spirit Catholic Board of Education has openings for Relief Caretakers at all of our schools. The caretaker is responsible for providing and maintaining a safe and clean environment for the school and the community. The caretaker must be physically able to complete all tasks required in the general maintenance of the school building and equipment.

Qualifications and experience for this position include:

- High School Diploma
- WHIMIS certification
- First Aid certification
- Experience as a custodian or in a related field or area

Basic knowledge of:

- hand and power tools
 - ground maintenance equip.
 - cleaning equipment (including floor washers, buffers, etc.)
 - plumbing and electrical systems
 - computer skills
- Demonstrates ethical and confidential behaviour,
Demonstrates appropriate and independent use of time,
Maintains effective working relationships with staff, students and community members.

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