

Dear parents/guardians,

Hello, and welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! I can't tell you how excited I am to be teaching your son/daughter Phys Ed/Health in Grade 7, 8, or 9 this year. My name is Curtis Smeding and I am a new teacher to the CCSS community. I taught almost 3 years of high school in Saskatoon, SK before moving here this past summer for this new adventure (moved into Calgary officially on August 15th). I wanted to let you know that it is my hope to have open lines of communication between us, so that we can work together to optimize your child's learning.

My goal this year is to help your child achieve as much as they possibly can in my Phys Ed/Health class while also helping them grow in their character and faith. In order to do this, I believe that I need to understand who they are, and what motivates them. I know that no one knows them better than their parents. In order to get to know your child better, I am sending home a small questionnaire about your child in hopes of getting to know them faster, as well as finding out how exactly I can help them reach their highest potential. I would also like you to provide your preferred e-mail address so that I can send updates, get in contact with you if needed, and make you aware if there are ways you can help your son/daughter in their education. If you prefer to not have these communications, that is no problem - just let me know!

I truly believe that this is going to be an amazing year. I am looking forward to having your child in my class, and I also hope to meet you in person. If you are ever in the school, please drop by and say hi so that I can get to know you and connect some faces to names. My office is "in the gym"! Also, feel free to contact me if you have any questions or have any information you feel would be important for me to know. My e-mail address is curtis.smeding@pallisersd.ab.ca, you can also call the school, or come and see me before or after school hours. God Bless you and yours! Let's have a great year!

Sincerely,

Curtis Smeding