

NOTICE AND CONSENT – Growth & Development FORM

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As part of the Alberta Physical Education and Wellness (Grades 3-6), Health and Life Skills (Grades 7-9), and CALM 20 curriculum, Alberta Education requires parental consent for students to learn outcomes related to growth & development.

In East Central Catholic Schools, all outcomes are presented in the context of our Catholic faith and rooted in the belief that each person is a child of God. Materials and resources for these outcomes are approved by the Catholic Bishops of Alberta and the Northwest Territories for use in our Division, and the lessons are intended to complement your efforts as primary educators.

In **Grade 3**, the student, as a child of God, will:

- Understand that roles in a family and community are influenced by family members, role models, learning environments, and the wider community.
- Explore how roles are shaped, established, and maintained through culture and relationships with people and the land.
- Recognize and consider that family structures can vary and may include extended family; single-parent families; a mother and a father; stepparents; or families with two mothers or two fathers.
- Identify that families can be intergenerational, with several generations living in the same home.
- Understand that children may spend time in more than one family or household.
- Explore how positive role models can inspire individuals to develop their own talents and potential.

Please be advised that the outcomes listed above require parental consent, and are tentatively scheduled to be taught in the month(s) of _____.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,
(Teacher(s) Name)

Please fill out this form, sign it, and return it to the school by: _____

My child's name is: _____

*According to section 58.1(1) of the Education Act, you, as a parent/guardian, are the primary educators of your children and therefore parental **opt-in consent** is now required for your child to receive this instruction. It is possible to exempt your child from this instruction without academic penalty. If consent is not provided, your child will be offered a **supervised alternative learning** activity during the scheduled instruction time.*

- ☐ I consent to my child's full participation in all sessions involving the identified instruction.
- ☐ I do not consent to my child's participation in any portion of the instruction related to the identified topics.

***Please note that you are welcome to withdraw your consent at any time.**

By signing this form, you acknowledge that you have received adequate notice of the content and purpose of the instruction, and that you are choosing whether or not your child may participate.

Parent Signature