

École Mother Teresa School

September Newsletter

Dear EMTS Families,

Welcome back! We have been so excited to greet your children over the past three days and begin this new school year together. Our Division faith theme for 2025–2026 is Anchored in Faith, Guided by Grace, and we look forward to exploring this beautiful message with our students and staff throughout the year.



We have a few important updates to share and ask that you take a few minutes to read through the following information:

Student enrollment:

- We are thrilled to welcome 389 students to EMTS—with nearly 35 new students joining us this year! As classes were created, our teachers and staff worked carefully to place students where they can thrive. We know this process can sometimes bring initial disappointment, and we deeply appreciate your patience, grace, and trust as we make thoughtful decisions to support every child's success.

School communication:

- A weekly SMORE newsletter (WAAG) will be sent out every weekend with details about upcoming events, athletics, assemblies, and special school activities.
- We also send quick text reminders for important updates. **To opt in, simply text YES to 978338.**
- Grade team Week-at-a-Glance will be sent out weekly by the homeroom teacher. You can expect subject summaries of what is occurring in each class and important dates of assessments, all in one document. Once student emails are properly set-up, they will also be receiving this information.
- If you would like to connect with a teacher or administrator, please make an appointment or arrange a phone call. This helps us ensure your privacy and provide the time needed for meaningful conversations about your child.

Powerschool/Schoology::

- Based on the feedback from our school community, this year we are returning to [PowerSchool](#) as our main platform for assessment and parent communication. Teachers may still use Schoology in their classrooms, but all official assessment reporting will now be through PowerSchool. The majority of parents already have

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a PowerSchool account and the office is working on creating accounts for our new families.



- The free app can also be downloaded to your Apple or Android device.

We are now using PowerSchool.
We are no longer using Schoology.

You spoke, we listened! Parents and stakeholders wanted a change
You can easily access student grades through the PowerSchool App and website



What is PowerSchool used for?

- Viewing student assessment/grades
- Signing permission forms
- Paying school fees
- Accessing student update forms



We are using PowerSchool for communicating student progress and accessing forms and fees.

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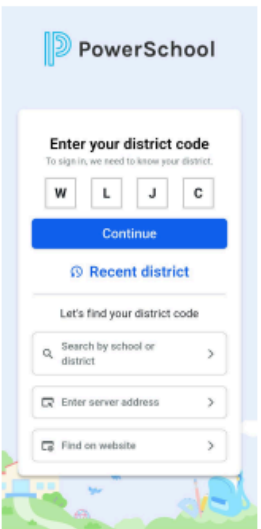


Apple App **Android App**

Found on App store or Google Play

Forgot your username or password?

1. Try the naming convention FirstName.LastName
2. Search "PowerSchool" and "Account" in your emails to find if you are using the correct email address
3. Contact Ecole Mother Teresa School at 403-887-6371



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PowerSchool > School Fees and Forms:

- Our online forms and fees system, has been updated.
- Please note: An Informed Consent Form must be completed for every student. This allows participation in faith activities, division events, and city-based field trips. Additional forms will be required for higher-risk or out-of-town trips
- Students in Grades 6–9 must complete the Athletic Consent Form before trying out for any sports teams.
- School and transportation fees (where applicable) are also available for payment through Rycor. All forms and payments are accessible directly through your PowerSchool account.
- Hot lunches will also be available to order shortly.

Attendance:

- If your child will be absent, please call our attendance line. Messages can be left 24/7. Attendance is reported twice daily, and once we have all of our schedules in PowerSchool families will receive a call both in the morning and afternoon if a student is marked “unexcused absent.”

Athletics:

- Volleyball and Cross-Country Running will be starting shortly. Please stay tuned for more information and continue to check our [Athletics calendar](#).

Important links and documents:

- [Coaching and volunteer form](#)
- [Hot Lunch Volunteer Opportunities FOrm](#)
- [School website](#)
- [Cell Phone policy](#)
- [Rewrite Procedures](#)

We thank you for your support and for working alongside us at EMTS. As always, please do not hesitate to ask questions or reach out.

Yours in Christ,



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