



Calgary Board of Education

R.T. ALDERMAN SCHOOL

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April 21, 2011

Dear R T Alderman Parent/Guardian,

I am writing to inform you of a change that was recently announced with respect to the CBE Second Language Initiative. For the 2011-2012 year and onward, Calgary Board of Education schools will NO LONGER BE REQUIRED to enrol students in a mandatory Second Language course. Instead, we will be asking parents if they want their child in Grades 5 to 9 to take a second language each year. As per the CBE requirements, if the school chooses to offer a language at grades 5 and 6, it will become mandatory for all Grade 5 and 6 students. Registering in a second language at the grades 7 to 9 levels, in comparison, will be completely voluntary. As is the case for all complementary courses, these classes will continue to be offered only if the demand exists.

We would appreciate your immediate attention to the following questions
(Please print clearly):

Student's First Name

Last Name

Grade

My child is currently enrolled in:

French

or

Spanish

(Please circle one)

For the 2011-2012 school year:

_____ **I would like** my child to continue to be enrolled in this second language

Or

_____ **I do NOT wish** my child to be enrolled in a second language.

Parent comments:

Signature: _____

Thank you for completing this and having your child return it to his/her Teacher Advisor no later than Monday, April 25, 2011. Please call me if you have additional questions or concerns at 403-777-7520.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'JD', is written over a horizontal line.

Julie Dodds
Principal