

# ST. JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL



## HIGH SCHOOL 101

### UNIQUE SUPPORTS WE OFFER:

#### SCHEDULED HELP:

- Flex sessions offer students the opportunity to determine where they need academic support to achieve personal success.
- Flex blocks are built into the timetable twice per week, for an hour in duration.

#### TEACHER ADVISORY GROUP (TAG):

- TAG is designed to build collaborative bridges, connecting teachers to students, and students to one another. Acting as a means of communication, networking, mutual support, and building a sense of community.
- Students will have the same TAG teacher for their high school career, who will act as a consistent communication avenue and provide ongoing support.

### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL:

- Students are expected to take on more responsibility by having an active role in their learning.
- An open campus offers students freedom outside of class-time.
- Students will gain credits for their classes towards graduation. A minimum of 50% is required to achieve these credits and move forward.
- Establishing balance between school work and extra-curricular activities is vital to their success in high school.
- Each student will have an individualized schedule to help them meet their academic needs.

### THINGS PARENTS WANT TO KNOW:

#### Q.) What is a credit and how many do you need?

- A credit is awarded for completion of a course.
- You need 105 credits to graduate in a Red Deer Catholic School.

#### Q.) What is a semester?

- Our school year is divided into two semesters (Sept – Jan, Feb – June).

#### Q.) What school supplies are required?

- There is a recommended list, listed under the Student tab on our website.

#### Q.) As a parent, how can we get involved?

- Parents need to communicate with both teachers and their child.

#### Q.) How do I stay informed with my high school student?

- Sign-up and log in to PowerSchool.
- Register for myPass.
- Sign-up for the Remind App associated with your child's grade.
- Follow our social media channels.
- Visit [stjosephhigh.ca](http://stjosephhigh.ca)



# Become involved and show off your Falcon pride!

## Fine Arts:

- Band
- Technical Theatre
- Theatre Production

## Additional Student Opportunities:

- Graduation Committee
- Student Council
- Yearbook Committee
- International Travel

## Athletics:

- Football
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Track
- Rugby
- Soccer
- Tennis
- Badminton
- Curling
- Golf
- Handball
- Elite Athlete
- Wrestling

## Ball Academy:

- Are you looking to improve your baseball or softball skills?
- Do you want to increase power in your swing, add m.p.h to your fastball and get to that ground ball in the hole?
- Are you hoping to get a college scholarship, but need a little help to maximize your athletic potential?
- Our academy offers students an opportunity to participate in a high school course that is more specific than a regular Physical Education class!
- \$3,000/athlete.



## GRADE 10 REQUIREMENTS:

- All Grade 10's must be fully-timetabled (no spares).
- Courses include: English, Social, Math, Science, PE, Religious Studies, Extension Classes (CTS/ Fine Arts/ Language).
- On average, students will gain 40 to 42 credits with a full course load.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

To earn a high school diploma and participate in the St. Joseph High School graduation ceremony, a student must:

1. Earn a minimum of 105 Credits
2. Complete and meet the standards for the following:
  - Religion 15, 25, 35 or World Religion 30 (9 Credits of Religion)
  - English Language Arts (30 Level)
  - Social Studies (30 Level)
  - Math (20 Level)
  - Science (20 Level)
  - Physical Education 10-3 or 10-5
  - Career and Life Management (CALM)
3. 10 Credits in CTS/Fine Arts/Second Languages or PE
4. 10 Credits in any 30 level course in addition to English and Social Studies

\*Grade 10 and 11 students should be fully timetabled (40 - 42 Credits per year).

## GRADE 10 ORIENTATION DAY:

Grade 10 Orientation Day will take place on Monday, August 31, 2020.

## CAREER COUNSELLING:

The on-site Career Center offers guidance, encouragement and support to students. Please contact our Career Counsellor, Ms.Spafford, to book an appointment.

## CONTACT INFORMATION:

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