



# Senator Joyce Fairbairn Middle School

**November 30th**

## Dates to Remember:

**November 29th & 30th**

Fairbairn Festival

**December 2nd**

**Last Day of Term 1**

**December 5th**

First Day of Term 2

**December 9th**

Report cards available on  
PowerSchool

**December 14th**

Fairbairn Cares Concert 7pm

**December 23rd**

Last Day before Winter Break

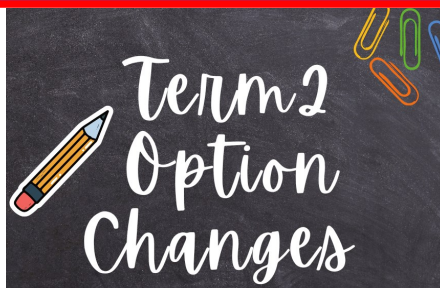
**January 9th**

First Day Back at School

## Fine Arts Festival

The SJF Fine Arts Program is running their Fine Arts Festival November 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. The night starts off at 6:30pm where audience members are welcomed to come wander our halls and meet and observe the many different fine arts skills that our amazing students have. From musicians and dancers to improvisers and animators (student films will be on our screens), the school will be set up like a street festival where you can see buskers at every corner. At 7:00pm everyone will be brought to the atrium for the official program to start. We will see performances from our bands (both in class and after school ones), students will guide and host the event, and there will be performances of short scenes and musical numbers as well as an art display. This event is to continue to encourage and foster the love of all things fine arts, and to provide and opportunity for students to show off to an audience. The night will end at 8pm.

Cost: \$5.25 Cash at the door. Thank you so much for supporting the fine arts here at SJF.



Term 2 starts Monday, December 5th, Option change request forms will be available in the office starting Monday morning. Option change request forms need to be signed by a parent and handed in to the office no later than Friday, December 9th at 11:45am.

Students will be required to attend their original option courses for the first week until a new schedule has been printed and given to them by administration.





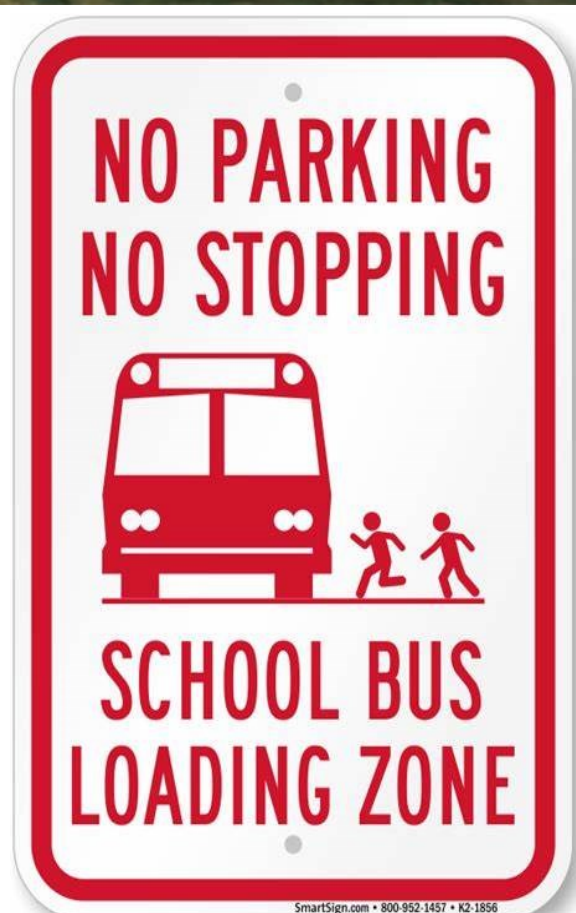
## Bus Zones and Accessible Parking

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have received communication from Southland Transportation that they are having issues dropping off and picking up students safely because of cars parked or stopped in the Bus Zone.

Please **DO NOT** park or stop in the bus-loading zone anytime between 7:30am to 4:30pm Monday to Friday. We need to keep our students safe by adhering to all parking signs posted.

Please do not park in the accessible parking spots in the school parking lot. Even though you are only stopping quickly to drop off or pick up your student, we do have several families that have accessible permits that utilize these spots. They are full everyday leaving parents with permits having to circle the lot parking further away.







Make a difference with a handmade card! Cards will be given to a senior citizen, veteran, or member of our community this holiday season.

Scan to learn more:



Contribute Today!

[www.HolidayCardDrive.ca](http://www.HolidayCardDrive.ca)

## Smash the Halls 2022

Come join a Community Open  
Super Smash Bros. Ultimate  
Winter Celebration

Sign up here

[Start.gg/SmashTheHalls](http://Start.gg/SmashTheHalls)

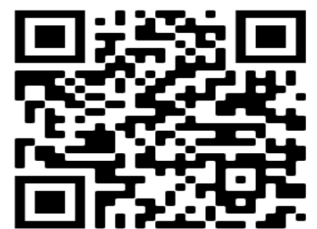


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## YEARBOOKS On Sale Now!

### ATTENTION PARENTS:

Don't forget to order your student's copy of the 2022-2023 yearbook! COPIES ARE LIMITED! Order yours now by scanning the QR CODE HERE >>>



**DEADLINE: FEB. 14, 2023 | COST: \$42.00**

Fees for class options are payable now on [School Cash Online](#)

If you need help please contact the office.



### School Messenger

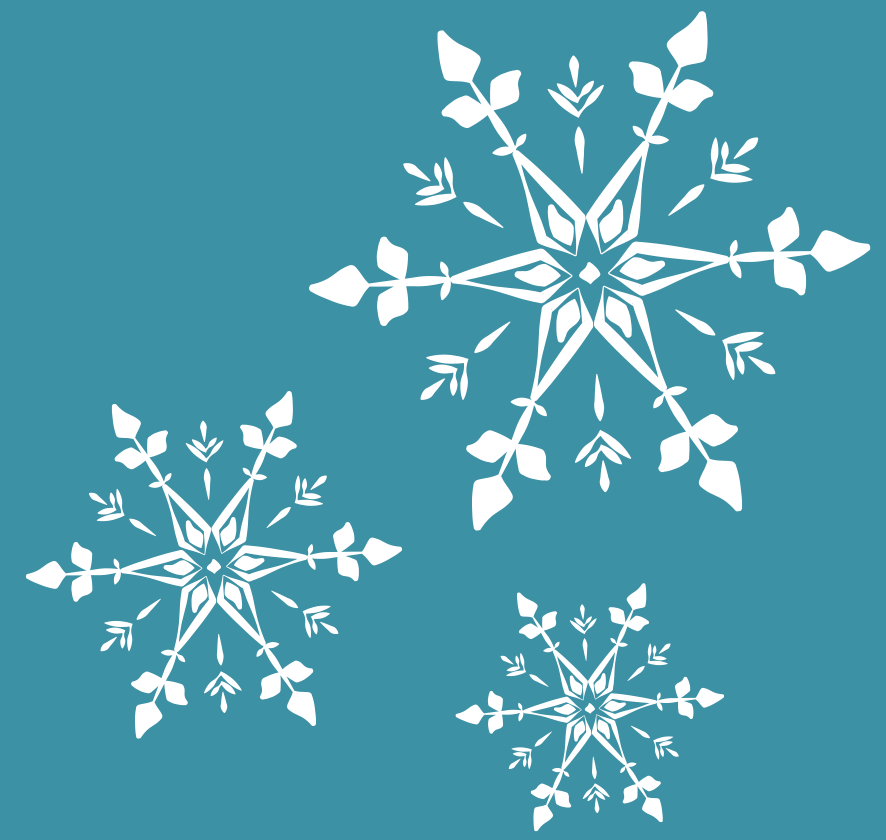
Teachers send classroom communications through school messenger.

Please check Your Junk mail regularly.

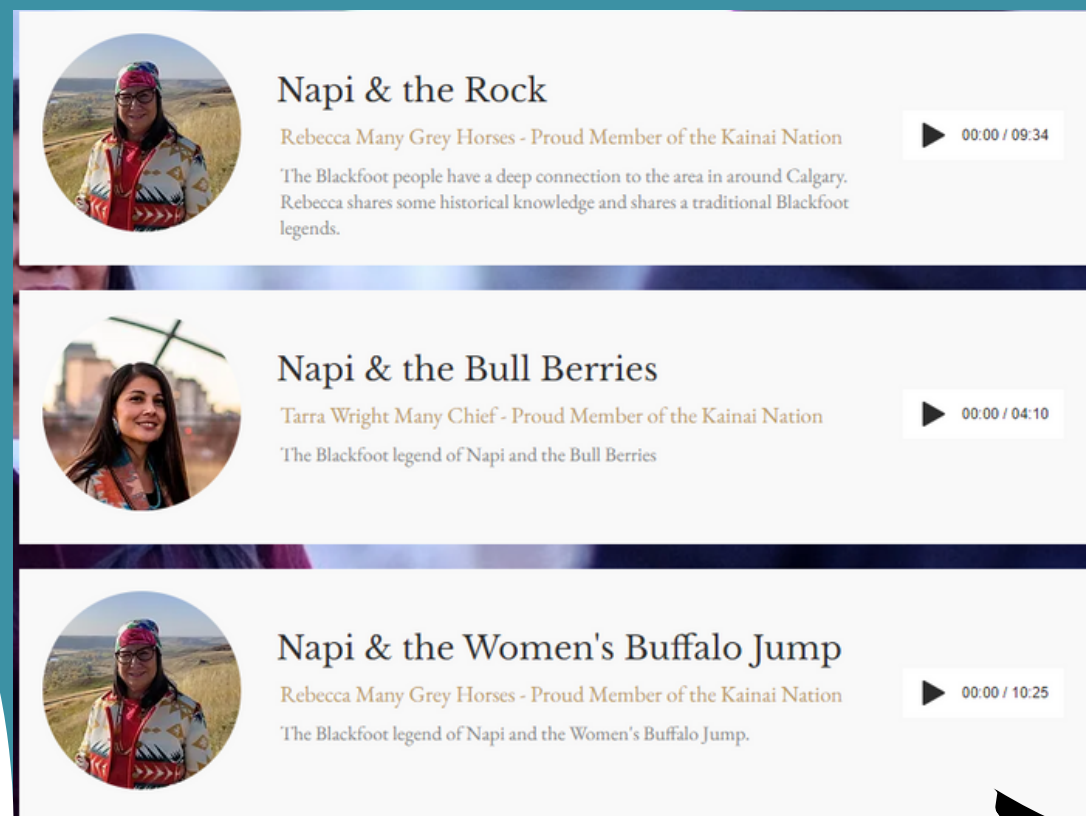
# December 2022

## Isstááato's - Cold Month

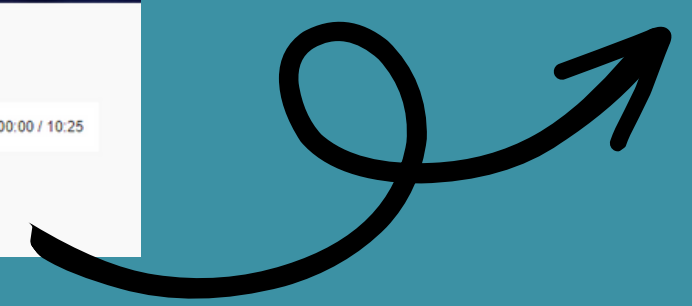
(Ee-sta-doo-see)



Winter was a time for storytelling. Children would sit around the warm tipi and listen to their grandparents tell beautiful legends and stories.



Click to listen through a self-guided audio Blackfoot storytelling tour!



### Around Town

December 9th: Indigenous holiday market  
@ Lethbridge College 1-4 PM

December 10th: Downtown Library  
Christmas Market 10-5



### WINTER VOCABULARY

Sstoyii: winter  
(iss-doy-ee)

Áóhpotaawa: it's snowing  
(oh-po-taw)

ííksstoi: cold  
(ick-stoy-ee)

kóónssko : snow  
(goon-skoh)

pahtóók - pine tree  
(bah-dook)





# Highlights



Think Outside!



Literacy and numeracy at SJF!

Storytelling with winter counts!



Practicing math with the bone game!





## Play for Success... *It is all fun and games!*

Dr. Robbin Gibb will be teaching on how strong relationships and playful activities support learning and set children up for success.

**Monday, Dec. 5, 2022**

**6:00PM - 7:30PM**

Lethbridge Public Library  
Main Branch, 810 5 Ave South

**REGISTER HERE:**

**[buildingbrains.ca/training-event](https://buildingbrains.ca/training-event)**





# MHCB WELLNESS

## FEATURED PROGRAMS FOR WINTER 2023

4  
SESSIONS

### I CAN GET ALONG WITH OTHERS

- Recognize and develop positive classroom attributes
  - Learning to get along with others
  - Sharing, Kindness, Respect, Fairness
- PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN**

4  
SESSIONS

### AHS WELLNESS KIT

BE KIND TO YOURSELF AND OTHERS

- How friendships change
  - Bouncing back from hard times
  - Positive body image
- GRADE FOUR & FIVE**

4  
SESSIONS

### KIDS HAVE STRESS TOO!

- Understanding stress
  - Calming the body
  - Understanding & managing feelings
  - Thinking skills to cope with stress and promote resilience
- GRADE TWO & THREE**

4  
SESSIONS

### SLUMBERKINS

- Early emotional learning
- Naming and welcoming feelings
- Creating connection and community
- Caring, Confident, Resilient

[www](#) **GRADE ONE**  
FOLLOW THE LINK  
FOR MORE INFORMATION

## MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

### EVERYDAY HEROS

STUDENTS REFLECT ON STRESS AND ANSWER THE QUESTION 'WHO CAN I TURN TO FOR HELP?'

- GRATITUDE, KINDNESS, SUPPORT SYSTEMS

**GRADE SIX**

3  
SESSIONS

### THE REAL ME

STUDENTS WILL DISCUSS THEIR IDEA OF SELF AND HOW THEY REPRESENT THEIR OWN 'BRAND'

- IDENTITY, SELF AWARENESS

**MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGHSCHOOL**

2  
SESSIONS

**FOLLOW THE LINK BELOW FOR  
BOOKING INQUIRIES**

**CLICK HERE**





# Christmas Supports 2022

## ANGEL TREE

Toys are bundled and delivered directly to families by Lethbridge Family Services or partner agencies. Registration is open online at [www.lfsfamily.ca](http://www.lfsfamily.ca) till November 30.

## MY CITY CARE SHOP OF WONDERS

A full family experience where families book times to visit the Shop of Wonders. The agency will assign appointment times and include gifts and gift wrapping. For more information go to <https://www.facebook.com/mycitycarelethbridge>

## SALVATION ARMY

You can choose to have gifts selected for you, or set up an appointment to shop yourself. For more information and to register go to [www.lethbridgesalvationarmy.ca](http://www.lethbridgesalvationarmy.ca)

## FOODBANKS

For Foodbanks only, families are required to provide the following items:

1. Identification of each person in the home
2. Address/phone number/birthdates of each person in the home
3. Proof of income
4. Proof of expenses

\*Please note that if families don't have all required documents, they should still apply and discuss the missing documents with Food Bank staff.

## LETHBRIDGE FOOD BANK

Register in person: 1016 2 Ave S, Lethbridge, AB

## INTERFAITH FOOD BANK

Pre-registration for a Christmas hamper is not required. All patrons at the Interfaith Food bank will receive a Christmas hamper as their December hamper. Pick-up between December 12-23 only.

1103 3 Ave N, Lethbridge, AB

**This years Christmas supports for  
Lethbridge can all be found at  
[www.christmashope.ca](http://www.christmashope.ca)**





# SWIM SESSIONS

## STARTS

**Jan 16, 2023**

## AT

**Fritz Sick Pool**

**420 11 St S**

Our club offers children an opportunity to swim at a variety of levels: from competitive, to swimming as a cross training opportunity or to swimming as a life skill.

**SPARTANSAQUATICSClub.COM**

## AGES 6+

### DATES

Our winter session starts Jan 16 and runs for 13 weeks.

### FLEXIBLE

Our club offers a variety of times and days of the week as well as make-up classes.

### SKILL LEVEL

Our beginner group is for kids who can swim a length of the pool independently.

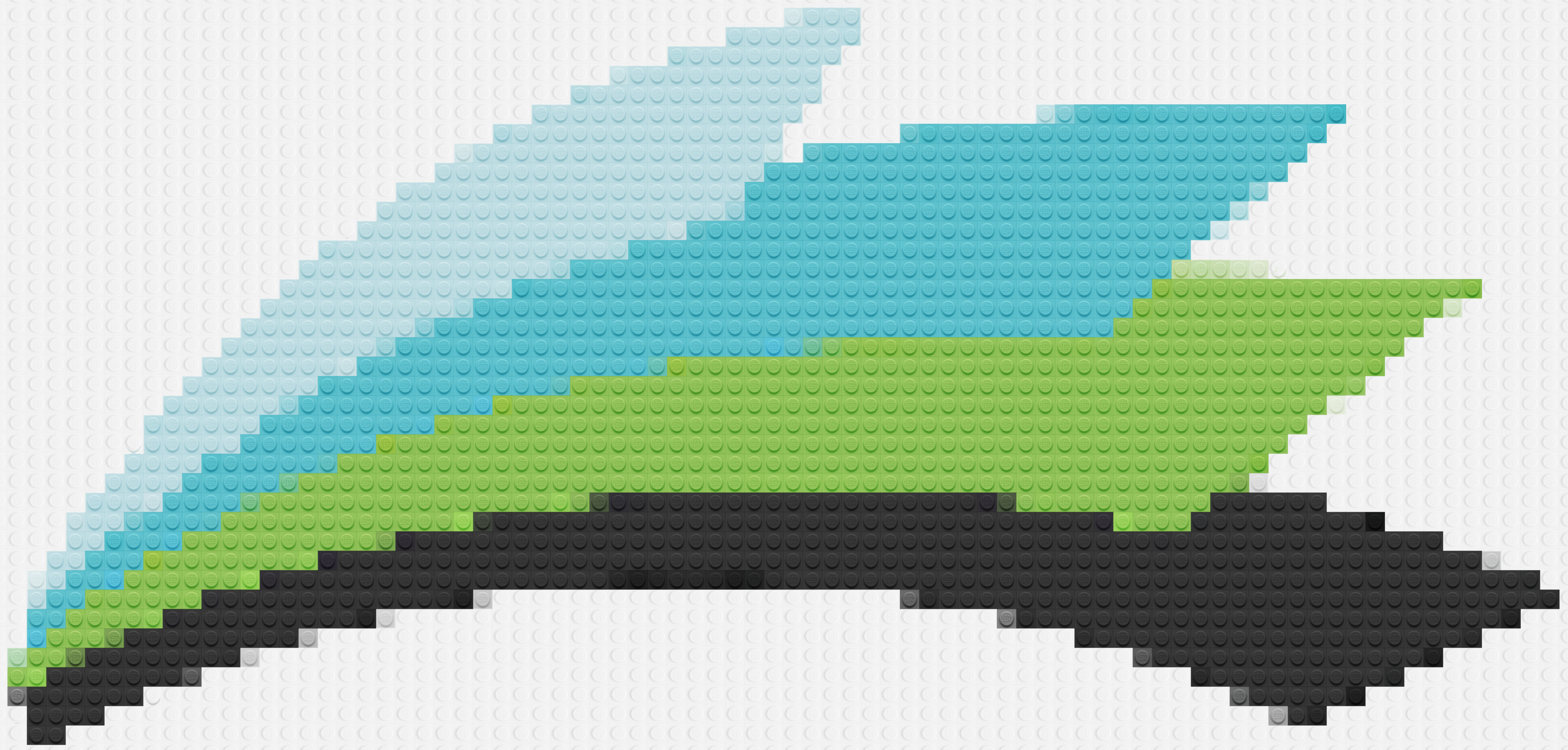
## COST

The winter session fees start at \$260 for the session.

## ADULTS

Our club offers a Masters program for adults.



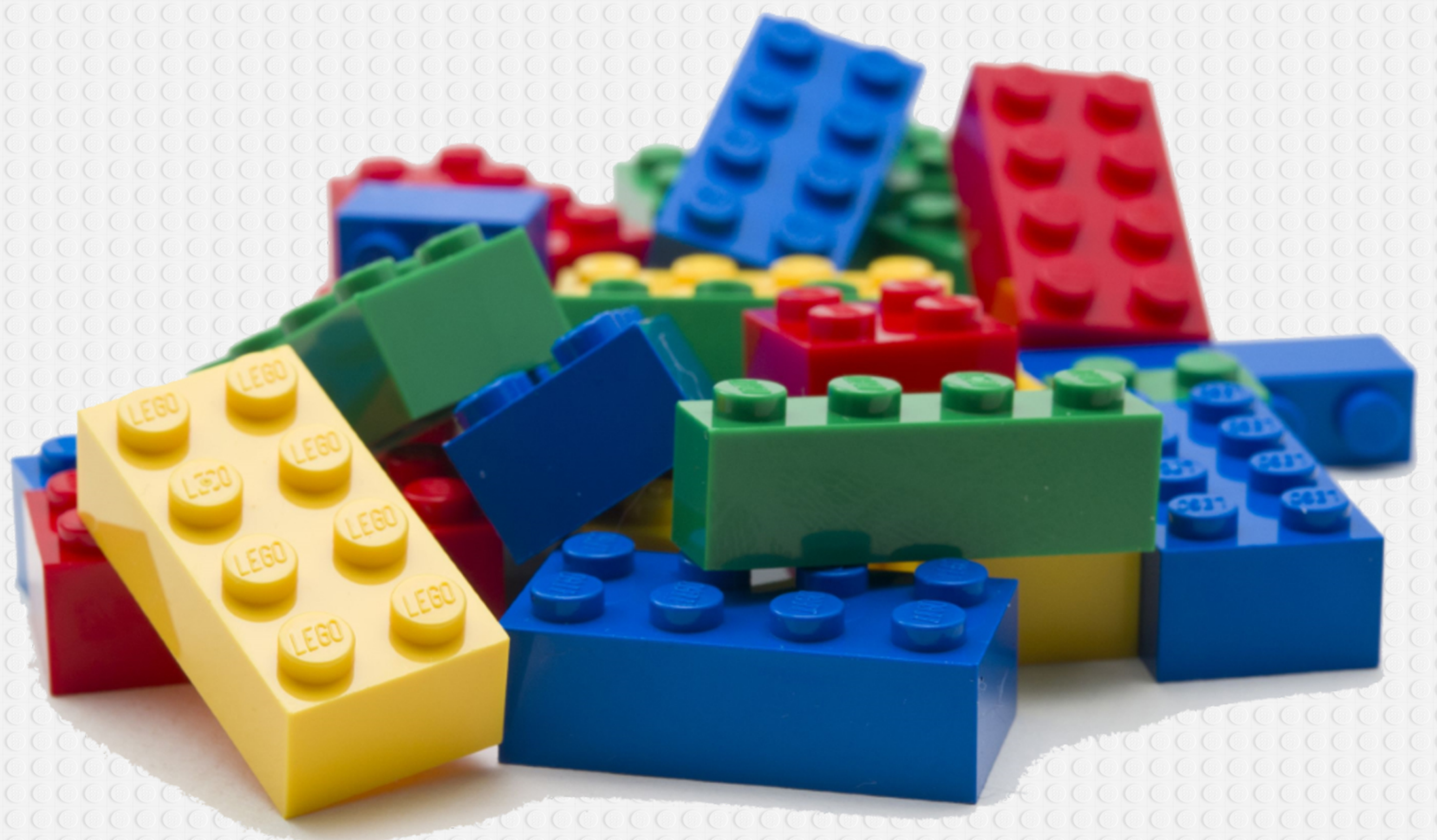


# LETHBRIDGE SCHOOL DIVISION LEGO CHALLENGE

## A MARVELOUS FEAT OF ENGINEERING

Using only Lego, skillfully put together a Lego object that displays design and engineering. The build can use engines, machines, and structures to create a unique object that shows what you can do with Lego. It may be something as simple as building a house or creating a working robot. The ideas and possibilities are endless!

- ★ **Best School Submission**
- ★ **Best Classroom Submission**
- ★ **Best Grade K-2 Submission**
- ★ **Best Grade 3-5 Submission**
- ★ **Best Middle School Submission**
- ★ **Best High School Submission**
- ★ **Engineering Award (Multiple)**
- ★ **Creativity Award (Multiple)**



**ALL SUBMISSIONS DUE FEB 28**

Scan the QR code  
or visit  
[www.lethsd.ab.ca](http://www.lethsd.ab.ca)  
to learn more

