

## Hugh A. Bennett School

Saddlebrooke Drive NE, Calgary, AB

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am honoured to introduce myself as the principal of Hugh A. Bennett School, the new school that's being built in Saddle Ridge.

To the new school, I bring diverse experience as an educator having worked at several different schools and within 3 different boards. I am privileged to be able to work alongside you and your children to build out a vision where the core value of students come first is at the forefront of all decisions made.

As the current Consultant in the Area II Office, I will continue to focus on my responsibilities there during the next few weeks. At the beginning of April, I will be dedicated to the work of opening Hugh A. Bennett School.

In the months leading up to the new school's opening, I will be doing many things to prepare. Some of that work will include meeting with parents and students, hiring staff, determining the organization of the school and preparing the school budget for the 2016-17 school year.

As you may already know, the Calgary Board of Education has 21 new school construction projects underway in communities throughout Calgary to support its growing student population. Hugh A. Bennett School is expected to open in Fall 2016 and will offer regular programming to students in Kindergarten to Grade 4.

I am very excited to work with parents, students and staff to build a new school community that reflects the unique qualities of Hugh A. Bennett School and is a supportive and positive place for your children to learn. I am interested in having your input on the organization of the new school in your community. Please fill out this brief survey at <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HABennett">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HABennett</a> **before April 4, 2016**.

For information on the new school and answers to some of your questions, visit <a href="mailto:cbe.ab.ca/schools">cbe.ab.ca/schools</a>, click on Building and Modernizing Schools and then click on the link for the new school in your community. Please check back regularly for updates as new information is posted when it becomes available. You can also e-mail <a href="mailto:cbecommunications@cbe.ab.ca">cbecommunications@cbe.ab.ca</a> with any questions related to new school construction and accommodation.

Opening a new school requires ongoing and regular communication with parents and students. I look forward to beginning our shared work together.

Sincerely,

Lisa Nachtigal Area II Consultant