

BRANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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Vision Statement:

"Brant Christian School is a unique learning environment committed to academic excellence from a Biblical worldview, assisting parents and the church in preparing graduates of integrity and godliness; ambassadors for Christ and His Kingdom."

June 20, 2023

Dear Brant Christian School Society,

The BCS Board is excited to announce that Brant, a private school within Palliser, will be receiving an Alberta government grant for private school transportation for 2023-24, and the 2024-25 school year. This grant will significantly decrease our transportation costs temporarily. I stress the temporary as it is only guaranteed for the next two school years. We were informed by Palliser that this money can only be used for transportation and not other costs of operating the school.

As a result of the transportation grant, and following Palliser's recommendation for fees, the cost of ridership is significantly reduced to \$500 per student. The Alternative Program fee (APF) of \$1260 will remain the same to cover the increasing operational costs of the school.

In order for your student to be eligible for funding, you will be required to complete a government form. This form will be sent to the society when it becomes available to us. All forms are required to be submitted by **September 29, 2023**. If you choose not to complete the government form, your bus fee will remain the same. (\$2038 for the first child in the family, \$1745 for the second child and \$344 for the 3rd and 4th child to ride the bus).

1. For everyone **presently registered** to take the bus for next year, we only require the form to be completed once available. Fees for busing remain due **September 01, 2023**, and can be paid as one lump payment or divided into ten equal monthly payments.
2. If you have **made your bus payment for next year in full**, please contact treasurer@brantchristian.org to process a refund for overpayment. Other options include applying the overpayment to your APF balance or if you feel called donating it to the Tuition Assistance Program for APF or Patricia Weber scholarship for busing. Please indicate in your email how you wish to proceed.
3. If you have **not registered** to use the bus next year, and are reconsidering, contact Catherine Massey, Secretary at catherine.massey@pallisersd.ab.ca immediately so we can update your registration to include busing next year. Some of the buses are near capacity and it will be on a first come first serve basis. We would like to know by **June 30, 2023**, who will be riding the bus so we can confirm ridership and plan routes with Southland for the fall.

The government form will be sent out to the society to complete and return when it becomes available. Palliser informs us we are able to move ahead in good faith for next year while we wait for the form. More details to come of how and where to submit the form.

Feel free to contact the board if you have any questions or concerns.

Kindly,

Shauna Third

On behalf of the BCS Board

Treasurer

Brant Christian School Society