

Grade Five Transition - 2024-2025 School Year

Welcome to St. Lorenzo Ruiz Middle School! It is the time of year when the Grade 5 students are beginning to prepare for their transition from elementary school to middle school. We will strive to answer all of your questions and ease any nerves Grade 5 families may have as you make this memorable transition to middle school.

Our school counsellor will make a visit to your child's elementary school this spring. This visit will provide your child with a lot of information about our school and what your child can expect when they start Grade 6 next year. Your child will also have an opportunity to spend a morning at St. Lorenzo Ruiz with other Grade 5 students from other catchment schools. Additionally, we will be hosting a parent evening where you will meet some of our staff who will be working with your child and learn about what makes our school unique.

Outlined below is the schedule of activities that will help prepare the Grade 5 students for middle school at St. Lorenzo Ruiz:

Monday, April 29 - Friday, May 3: St. Lorenzo Ruiz School Counsellor Visit

St. Lorenzo Ruiz counsellor will join your child's class on one of these days to give an overview of the differences between elementary and middle school, and to discuss programming and extra-curricular programs that are presently offered at St. Lorenzo Ruiz.

Thursday, May 16 Morning: Grade 5 Tour of Middle Schools

The Grade 5 students will spend the morning at St. Lorenzo Ruiz learning about and touring the school, working with our Grade 8 Ambassadors and having a great time meeting new classmates.

Thursday, May 23 @ 6:00-7:00 pm: Parent Information Evening

Parents of Grade 5 students are welcome to come to the school for an information evening, to tour the school and meet some of the staff that will be working with their children.

Middle School Boundary Information

If you are unsure what middle school your child will be attending, please visit our Red Deer Catholic School boundaries map [here](#). Make sure you select Middle School instead of Elementary School. All requests to attend an out of boundary school must be submitted using the Out of Boundary request form found on that [page](#).

If you have any further questions about the transition of your Grade 5 child to middle school, please contact your child's classroom teacher or St. Lorenzo Ruiz's school counsellor at wendy.lynch@rdcrs.ca