



Breakfast Club of Canada Grant allows RDCRS to continue feeding families

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Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools will receive a \$5,500 grant from the Breakfast Club of Canada to continue with #RDCRSCARES. To date, the division has supported over 70 families with basic lunch items, such as milk, bread, juice boxes, fruit, etc. These food items are delivered to the doorsteps of these families by our staff while maintaining social distancing.

Currently, the #RDCRSCARES program is operating with funding from the Alberta Education school nutrition grant and community donations. Research shows students learn better and are able to achieve the goals of education when they have eaten a healthy meal.

"We are grateful for this grant, as we continue to offer food to students and families in need. Due to the current situation of COVID-19, supports and services within communities have been limited. This funding will allow our <u>Family School Enhancement Counsellors</u> to continue to reach out and connect with families, as well as provide consistent resources through this unpredictable time," said Family School Enhancement Counsellors, Lacey Barrett and Melissa Grant at Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools.

For more information, please visit <u>https://www.rdcrs.ca/covid-19/rdcrscares</u>

Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools serves over 10,480 students in 21 schools in Red Deer, Blackfalds, Sylvan Lake, Rocky Mountain House, Innisfail, and Olds. It also supports the learning of over 600 students in a Home Education Program. The Division is committed to serving

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children and parents with a complete offering of learning opportunities delivered within the context of Catholic teachings and within the means of the Division.

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