



## **Update Bulletin #2,**

**Dear parents/guardians,**

We hope you are doing well and your children are enjoying their last couple of weeks before summer vacation. We continue to organize, plan and coordinate for the start of the 2018/19 school year.

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**PLAYGROUND** - Our Playground Committee continues to work on the details for our playground development. With the support of the Community Recreation Department at the City of St. Albert we now have tentative approval for our Playground Development and the building permit application has been submitted. We have included some 3D visuals of the play areas.

**SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION DATE** - A few delays and some rainy days have resulted in the pushing back of keys to the building until the end of June. Sorry, we know you would all like to have a look and we can't wait to show you our school but we will need to wait just a bit longer.

**CTF PROGRAM PREPARATION** - Power tools/equipment were delivered to our school last week and they are being hooked up to the dust collection system as you read this. There will be many great opportunities for our kids to work with hand and power tools at our school. It will be interesting to see what they can make. Appliances, sewing machines and equipment for our Foods and Fashion classroom have been ordered and will be set up during the summer.

**NEW CURRICULUM** – Did you know that Alberta Education and their partners are working on a massive curriculum change for the Province of Alberta? The new curriculum will place a greater emphasis on 21<sup>st</sup> Century competencies and literacy and numeracy across subjects and grades. The curriculum will be designed to facilitate deeper conceptual learning and 21<sup>st</sup> Century competencies such as communication, collaboration, critical thinking and creativity. This new curriculum will be enhanced by instructional strategies such as Inquiry Process, Workshop, Project-Based Learning and Personalized Learning. The staff that has been selected for Sister Alphonse Academy has already begun planning to take advantage of this shift in education. At

our last meeting we began to take some of the current curriculum subject areas and arrange them around common conceptual areas. The idea is to have students across grade levels working on rich inquiry questions and concepts through different subject areas at their level. This type of planning will be facilitated by a Project-Based and Inquiry model of teaching. Imagine students being able to think about a concept such as “systems” and make connections to systems in every subject area. It also facilitates a movement to a re-organization of students into multi-age classrooms. This is exciting work and we will be meeting later in June to continue planning.

**LEARNING COMMONS**– We are excited to let you know that the preliminary collection of about 2500 books has been ordered and will be delivered to SAA in mid-August. Our students will have a brand-new collection of books to read and explore. In mid-October parents will have an opportunity to contribute to our collection by purchasing books during our Book Fair.

**SCHOOL APP** – In mid-August parents will be able to download our SAA School App. The App will provide a great deal of information and key dates related to our school in one “handy” place. Classrooms will have individual channels. Parents that subscribe to the channel will have push notifications sent to their devices. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

**SIGIS CHILD CARE** – Just a reminder that SIGIS will be providing full-time and part-time care for children in kindergarten – grade six at SAA. There is still room available. Contact SIGIS for more information. (780-460-1024)

**ECS PARENTS** - For parents of children in Kindergarten, we will be contacting you before the end of June to schedule a short orientation visit prior to the start of the school year. This will occur in late August. Students in Kindergarten will also have a staggered start to begin the school year. This facilitates a small group on your child’s first day. Your child will start on either September 4 or September 5.

**SCHOOL TOURS** – As soon as we can, we will begin to provide hours for parents and students to tour our new school. Stay tuned to our website for more information.

<https://www.saa.gsacrd.ab.ca/>

Have a great week!

Sincerely,

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# SISTER ALPHONSE ACADEMY - PLAYGROUND A



## Model No. B502557R4

Posts | Silver  
Accents | Lime  
Roto-Molded Plastic | Blue  
HDPE Plastic 1 | Blue-White-Blue  
HDPE Plastic 2 | Green-White-Green  
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## Components

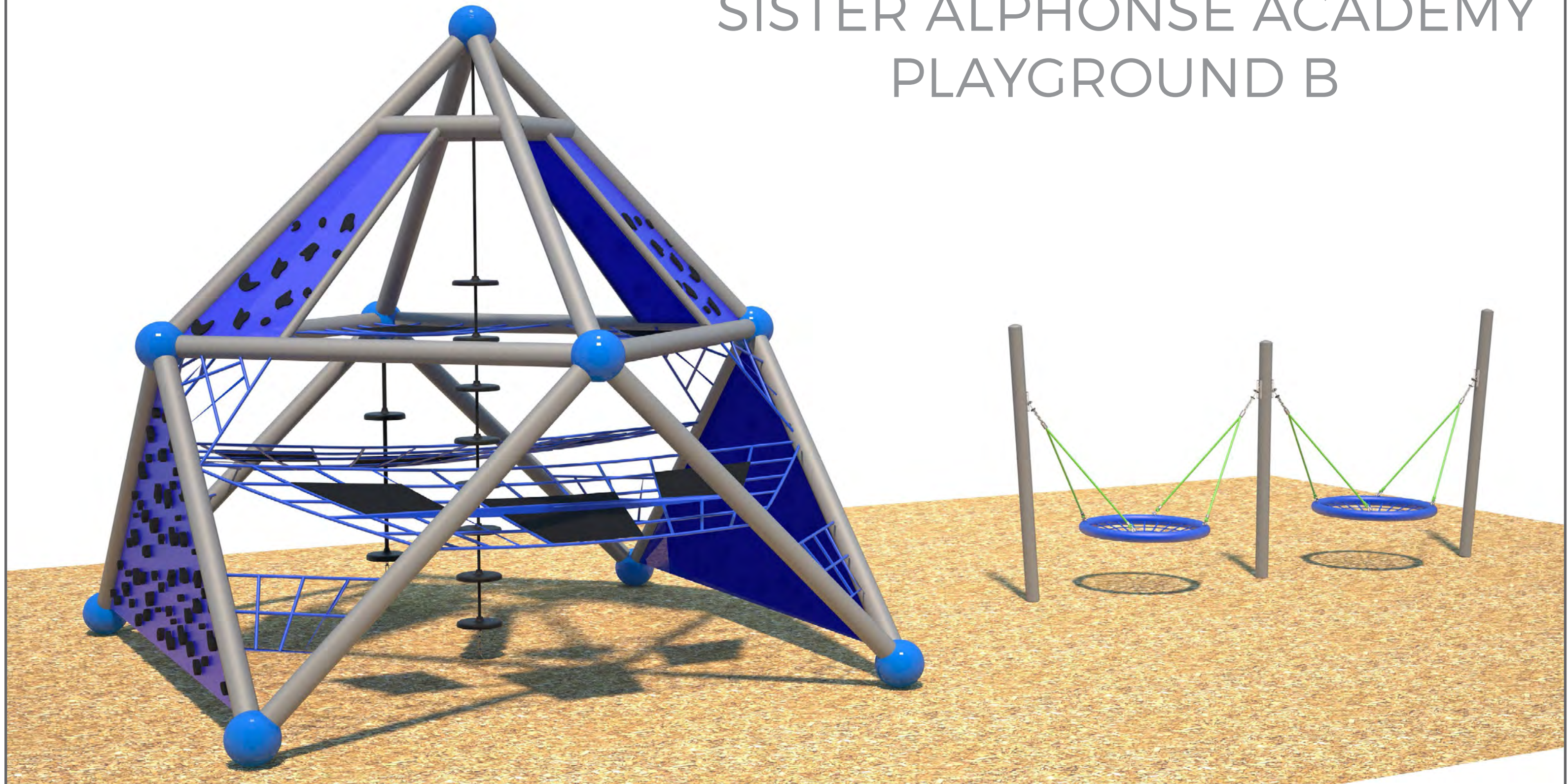
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|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| 16 Square Deck            | 2 Non-Skid Balcony Deck | 1 Starglide Slide Veer Right 8' | 1 Lizard Climber 4'         | 1 Cluster Climber |
| 8 PLAYSHIP PORTHOLE       | 2 MAST YARD ARMS AND    | 1 Spiral Slide 6'               | 1 Leaf Canopy               | 1 Catwalk Bridge  |
| PANEL WITH LEXAN WINDOW   | LOGO FLAG - SISTER AL-  | 1 Rockwall Climber 5'           | 1 Lava Rock 4'              |                   |
| 5 "Stepping Stone 12"xxxx | PHONSE                  | 1 Ridge Rock 4'                 | 1 Jungle Net 5'             |                   |
| 5 "Infill Panel 6"xxxx    | 1 X&O Panel             | 1 Poly Deck Ladder 4'           | 1 "Infill Panel 12"xxxx     |                   |
| 3 Poly Deck Ladder 2'     | 1 Wormhole Climber      | 1 PlayShip Steering Wheel on    | 1 Half Hex Deck             |                   |
| 3 PlayFort Window Panel   | 1 Woodgrain Playcounter | Post                            | 1 Grab Bar                  |                   |
| 2 Poly Deck Ladder 3'     | 1 Treasure Hunt         | 1 PlayShip Bow                  | 1 Gear Panel                |                   |
| 2 PLAYSHIP PORTHOLE       | 1 Transporter 6'        | 1 Pipe Ladder 6'                | 1 Drum Panel                |                   |
| PANEL                     | 1 Transfer Station 5'   | 1 Periscope Panel               | 1 Double Slide Plastic Hood |                   |
| 2 PlaySeat                | 1 Track Ride            | 1 Open Rail                     | 1 Double Dare Slide 5'      |                   |

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# SISTER ALPHONSE ACADEMY PLAYGROUND B



Model No. L04428R3

Palmetto & Dynamo Frames | Grey Aluminum  
Palmetto Rope | Lime  
Palmetto Seat | Blue  
Palmetto Seat Rope | Blue  
Dynamo Plastic | Blue  
Dynamo Balls | Blue  
Dynamo Rope | Blue

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Components

1 Double Palmetto Saucer  
1 DX-812-ACC Net

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