## Parent Advocacy

## Alberta School Councils' Association School Health

As a follow up to "The Time is Now: Taking Action on School Health" conference The Alberta Coalition for Healthy School Communities (ACHSC) is arranging a series of regional school health meetings across the province. These meetings are in response to feedback from participants at the conference who expressed support for increased collaboration and regional teams that are better able respond to the challenges of school health.

The regional school health meetings are a first step to creating a regional model. All stakeholder groups are being invited to attend.

Participation beyond the initial meeting will be entirely up to each individual.

The meetings will begin in mid October and conclude in January, 2009. Each of the nine health regions across the province will host a meeting at a central location. Finalized dates and locations are:

Oct. 20, Fort McMurray,

Oct. 21, High Level

Nov. 5, Red Deer

Nov. 17, Grande Prairie

Dec. 8, Medicine Hat

Dec. 9, Lethbridge

The dates and sites for the Aspen, East Central, Capital and Calgary health regions will be finalized in the near future.

The ASCA Board of Directors supports this work in principle. If you, as a parent, are interested in attending and providing input on the direction of this initiative, please contact project coordinator, Bill Gordon (williamcgordon@shaw.ca, 780-998-4179) to register or obtain further particulars.