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October 2025



Kids playing at the Harvest Festival in Leduc County

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2025 Election

The municipal and school boards election is on Oct. 20, 2025.

Harvest Festival

Join us on Oct. 4 at a festival that celebrates the fall season!

Road projects

Learn about some of the road programs and maintenance activities taking place in the County.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Your vote in the municipal election on **Oct. 20** will help shape the future of the County for the next four years.

On election day, voters in each of the seven electoral divisions elect a councillor to serve a four-year term. Voters do not elect a mayor; instead, councillors appoint a mayor from amongst themselves at the annual organizational meeting after the election.



Voters can only vote at the voting station(s) for their division on election day but can vote at any advance voting station on advance voting days.

Learn more about the upcoming election at leduc-county.com/election.

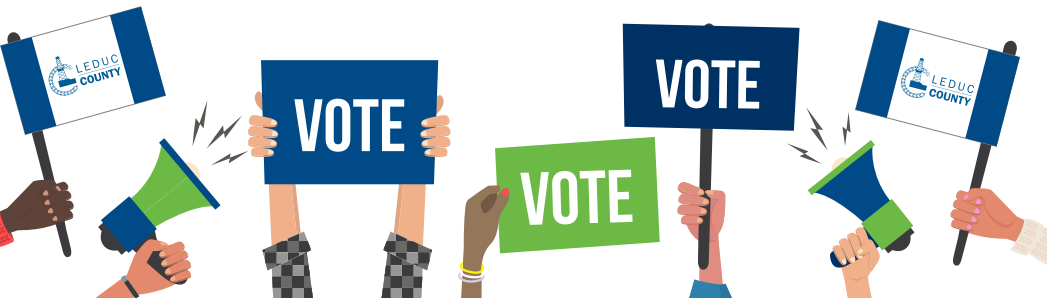
School trustee elections

Three school divisions are represented within Leduc County boundaries and are holding elections for board trustees:

- ▶ Black Gold Regional Schools
- ▶ Elk Island Catholic Schools

- ▶ St. Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic Schools

Full details, including voting station locations, are available on our website at leduc-county.com/election under 'Voter information.'



ELECTION DAY IS MONDAY, OCT. 20

UPDATE: ROAD PROGRAMS AND MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES

Leduc County's Road Operations department has been busy this past season completing annual programs and key maintenance activities. Some of the work completed includes:

Rural Roads Initiative

- ▶ Shoulder pulls: **9.65 km** completed (contracted work)
- ▶ Rocky roads: **20 km** of rock removal completed by County crews
- ▶ Soft spot repairs: **195 m** repaired at two locations
- ▶ Shoulder repairs: **6.03 km** completed at six locations
- ▶ Vegetation removal: **60,000 sq. m** cleared

Other programs

- ▶ **Street sweeping:** occurred between May 5 and June 21
- ▶ **Dust control:** two rounds of product was applied at 456 residential locations

- ▶ **Bridge cleaning and maintenance:** 37 of 72 bridges completed as of Sept. 10

- ▶ **Crack sealing:** 60 per cent completed; work is ongoing

Maintenance activities

- ▶ Pothole repairs: **1,308**
- ▶ Culvert marker installations: **1,534**
- ▶ Beaver dam removals: **17**
- ▶ Graveling: more than **320 km** completed

Work will continue throughout the rest of the year on projects such as culvert replacements, line painting, roadside ditching and asphalt repairs.



County crews working on a culvert replacement at Range Road 274 and Township Road 483



October 2025

Harvest Festival

Falling leaves, pumpkins and crisp morning air — fall is here, and Leduc County is ready to embrace the season!

Celebrate with us at our upcoming Harvest Festival, which will feature pumpkin patch photos, cookie decorating, games and more! Everyone is welcome to drop in and enjoy the event.

- **Date:** Saturday, Oct. 4
- **Time:** 2 to 5 p.m.
- **Location:** Strawberry Community Hall – 1544 Township Road 502



Harvest Festival in Leduc County

Learn more at leduc-county.com/recreation.

What is the Family Resource Network?

It's programming focusing on three core areas:

- Child development and well-being
- Caregiver capacity building
- Social connections

Our program is about strengthening parent and caregiver knowledge and connections, coping and problem solving, child and youth development and community resources.

We offer weekly family drop-in programs offering a variety of activities, tools and resources to support childhood development. Programs are hosted in Devon and Thorsby with more information listed in our community calendar on our website. All families are welcome.



Learn more:

- Web: leduc-county.com/frn
- Email: fcss@leduc-county.com
- Phone: **780-979-2385**

Coming soon...winter walking!

Leduc County Parks and Recreation is working on a new winter activity for the region! Winter walking trails will soon be available at Jubilee Park. More information on this adventure will be available in the November County Chronicle newsletter.

What's happening in October

As we officially enter autumn, we hope you check out our events calendar to see what's available across Leduc County.

- Election* advance voting (Oct. 4, Oct. 8)
- Harvest Festival (Oct. 4)
- Making Friends in the Adult World (Oct. 14)
- Election Day* (Oct. 20)
- Leading Beyond Bias: Practical Inclusive Leadership Skills (Oct. 17)
- Community Café (Oct. 30)



- Family Resource Network drop-in programming (Mondays in Devon, Tuesdays and Thursdays in Thorsby)

Learn more at leduc-county.com/calendar.

*Learn more about the 2025 election:

- Web: leduc-county.com/election
- Email: legservices@leduc-county.com
- Phone: **780-770-9259**

Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 5 to 11

This year, Fire Prevention Week's campaign is *Charge into Fire Safety: Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home*.

From Oct. 5 to 11, follow Leduc County's Fire Services Facebook page – [@LeducCountyFireServices](https://www.facebook.com/LeducCountyFireServices) – for tips and information regarding fire safety as well as battery safety, storage and usage.

Charge into fire safety with these three key steps:

- buy only listed products
- charge devices safely
- recycle batteries responsibly

Used batteries can be recycled at the Leduc Eco Station and New Sarepta and Sunnybrook waste transfer stations.



Parks and Recreation summer statistics

Thank you for an amazing summer! Leduc County hosted several events and activities this past summer, and they would not have been as successful without you — our residents!

Highlights from the past season include:

- Leduc County hosted **38** events, such as Leduc County Days, Park and Play, ice cream socials and an online art contest.



- **1,966** people attended summer programs and events, such as summer camps, Parks Day and the Diamond Estates playground grand opening.



- Leduc County partnered with several organizations at community events across the region, such as Warburg Heritage Days, New Sarepta Fair, Beaumont Rural Roots Festival and more. Through these partnerships, **2,810** participants were reached.



While summer is over, recreation doesn't stop! Learn more about upcoming events at leduc-county.com/recreation.

Halloween safety

If you're behind the wheel, walking as a group or letting the older kids trick or treat without you, we offer a few safety tips to keep in mind (courtesy of the Alberta Motor Association):

- See and be seen — choose light-coloured costumes, use glow sticks, flashlights or reflective tape. Use face paint instead of masks and choose designated crosswalks (looking both ways) to cross the road.
- On their own — make sure older trick or treaters know their route and to check in regularly. Remind them to make smart costume choices and not to go inside a stranger's home even when invited.
- Drivers aware — make eye contact with pedestrians, avoid distractions, watch your



speed and for kids running out from between parked cars. If a Halloween party is on your agenda, have a plan for a safe ride home.

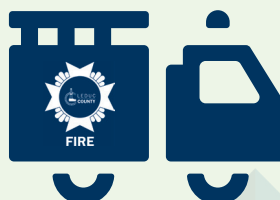
More information:

- Web: ama.ab.ca/articles/halloween-safety-tips
- Phone: **780-979-2110**
- Email: enforcement@leduc-county.com

Leduc County Fire Services year-to-date response

There are six fire districts in the County that are served by Fire Services and our regional partners. We manage five districts — New Sarepta, Nisku, Calmar, Thorsby and Warburg — and provide funding to the Millet district.

So far in 2025, our crews have responded to **749** fire/rescue calls:



- 407 IN NISKU DISTRICT
- 68 IN NEW SAREPTA DISTRICT
- 105 IN CALMAR DISTRICT
- 95 IN THORSBY DISTRICT
- 54 IN WARBURG DISTRICT
- 20 IN MILLET DISTRICT

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