



# UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

## WERKLUND SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

### UPE Gotcha Game

September 5 – 8, 2023

Join your fellow pre-service teachers in a challenge of wits, perseverance, and sticky-ness. Your goals, if you choose to accept them, are:

- Hang on to your popsicle stick for as long as you can
- Covertly identify other players in the game
- Catch your BEd colleagues with their popsicle sticks down

Keep your original stick and collect the largest number of others' popsicle sticks for your chance to win a UPE prize. **Outwit. Outlast. Outstick.**

#### Preparing to Play

- UPE students interested in playing must sign up during the Student Opportunities Fair on September 5, 2023 through an online form available during the Student Opportunities fair.
- After you have received your stick and wrist band, please complete the game registration through the QR code. You may begin playing the game after you submit your registration.
- You are also invited to join the UPE Gotcha 2023 [WhatsApp group](#) to stay up to date with what is happening in the game.

#### Game Rules

- Players must always hold onto their popsicle sticks in their hands (other than when the game is paused)
- Players **must** be wearing their wristbands to be able to “catch” other players. If possible, please wear your player wristband whenever you are on campus.
- If one player sees another player not holding their popsicle stick during game play, they may (gently) tag the player on the arm or shoulder, or go up and say “caught you” to the player not holding their stick
  - It is easier to “catch” someone when you can see they are playing UPE Gotcha and have their popsicle stick and/or wristband visible.
  - If you think someone is playing the game but you cannot see their popsicle stick or wristband, please ask them if they are playing UPE Gotcha before tagging them
- The “caught” player then gives their popsicle stick **and** any popsicle sticks they may have collected from other players to the player who caught them
- Players who have lost their popsicle sticks may come to the UPE office to answer some UPE trivia and receive a one-time-only second popsicle stick (while supplies last).

When the game is paused, players **cannot collect popsicle sticks**:

- During class times
- During presentations/speakers
- In washrooms
- Off campus



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### Points

- Student & staff gotcha sticks: 1 point each
- Faculty sticks: 5 points each
- The Two Sticks to Rule Them All: 10 points each

### Determining the Winner

- The game concludes at **12:00 pm on Friday, September 8, 2023**. Those who think they have the most sticks can submit the number of sticks they have collected as well as a photo for proof on an online form: [https://survey.ucalgary.ca/jfe/form/SV\\_eqXgcsIq7MYkdg](https://survey.ucalgary.ca/jfe/form/SV_eqXgcsIq7MYkdg)
- The player(s) with their original stick and who have collected the most other popsicle sticks will be contacted by email on Monday, September 11 and will be asked to bring their sticks into the UPE Office (EDT 230) for confirmation and to take a photo with their prize.
- In the result of a confirmed tie, the winner's name will be drawn at random by UPE Staff.

**Questions?** Please contact [wse.experiential@ucalgary.ca](mailto:wse.experiential@ucalgary.ca)