Glen Allan Elementary School Kindergarten Open House 2024

https://www.glenallanelementary.ca/



Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) serves:

- Sherwood Park
- Fort Saskatchewan
- Strathcona County
- Lamont County
- Western Portion of the County of Minburn



Literacy-rich, play-based programming

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Curriculum Areas

- English Language Arts and Literature
- Mathematics
- Physical Education and Wellness
- Science
- Social Studies
- Fine Arts
- French Immersion Language Arts and Literature

New Kindergarten Curriculum

- New kindergarten curriculum implemented:
 - Mathematics (2022-23)
 - English Language Arts and Literature (2022-23)
 - Physical Education and Wellness (2022-23)
 - Science (2023-24)
 - French Immersion Language Arts and Literature (2023-24)
- Future kindergarten curriculum implementation:
 - Social Studies (anticipated 2025-26)
 - Fine Arts (to be determined)

Learn more at <u>curriculum.learnalberta.ca/curriculum/en</u>



PowerSchool Parent Portal

- Online access to your child's progress report, attendance and school fees
- One Parent Portal account to link all children in the family together
- Your account follows each student as they move through the Division

Learn more at eips.ca/parents/powerschool





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We acknowledge with resp. PowerSchool Parent Portal pm Treaty 6 was entered into and the land upon which Elk Island Public Schools reside. We also acknowledge the traditional homeland of the Métis Nation, and our responsibility as Treaty 6 members to honour the heritage & gifts of the First Peoples.

School Fees

- Paid online through the PowerSchool Parent Portal
- Assessed at the start of the year
- Others may be added throughout the year
- Fee waiver policy
 Learn more at: <u>eips.ca/schools/fees</u> <u>eips.ca/schools/fees/waiver-of-fees</u>



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SchoolMessenger

- EIPS uses the SchoolMessenger system for sending information to families by phone and email—including bus cancellations or delays, inclement weather, upcoming events, school newsletters, parental engagement opportunities, emergency notices and more.
- Families can manage their subscription preference through their SchoolMessenger account.
- Download the app to stay connected on the go.

Learn more at eips.ca/contact/subscribe





Permission Click

- EIPS uses the online Permission Click platform for many school and Division forms.
- Forms are easily accessible and fillable from mobile devices. No log in required.
- Emails will come from Permission Click.
 - Add <u>notifications@permissionclick.com</u> to your safe-sender list to ensure required forms aren't mistakenly directed to your junk mail folder.





Student Transportation

- Bus routes
- Bus passes
- Transportation fees
- Little Elk Island Adventure
- First day of kindergarten busing: September 5
 Transportation fees are due June 30, 2024
 Fees are paid online at <u>eips.ca/transportation/</u> <u>transportation-fees/student-transportation-online-payments</u>



Student Transportation: Little Elk Island Adventure

Students and parents learn:

- How to be safe when around the bus
- What the Danger Zone is and where it is located
- How to board the bus and scan their bus pass
- How to sit properly on the school bus
- EIPS' Code of Conduct

Learn more at

eips.ca/transportation/little-elk-island-adventure

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EIPS offers full-day programming on alternating days.

Monday, Wednesday and **select** Fridays, or

Tuesday, Thursday and select Fridays

Find the Division calendar at eips.ca/calendar

475 instructional

hours

per year

Visit the calendar page on the school's website for school specific dates and events

Staggered Entry

- To introduce new kindergarteners to school, Glen Allan offers staggered entry at the start of the school year.
- Children come in smaller groups for part days to learn a bit about the classroom, the school and daily routines.
- 2024-25 Staggered Entry dates will be:
 - KA: August 30 and September 4 (8:45 – 3:00 on the 30th and 8:45 – 2:00 on the 4th)
 - KB: August 29 and September 3 (8:45 – 3:00 each day)
- Your 2024-25 staggered entry date will communicated prior to the start of the school year
- First day of kindergarten busing: September 5





School Supplies

 School supply lists are available on our school website https://www.glenallanelementary.ca/paren t-info/supply-lists



Tools for School is a program from the United Way that provides backpacks filled with school supplies to students in kindergarten to Grade 12 whose families have limited resources. The supplies provided may not be everything that's on your child's supply list, but it's a start.

If you would benefit from the Tools for School program, contact the school office.

Events and Field Trips

This year, the kindergarten classes had multiple field trips. We visited Safety City and went to a Salisbury Drama production, Shrek. In addition to this, we had Forest Day nature field trips to engage responsibly with nature and observe the changes in seasons.







Parent Involvement

Glen Allan School Council (GASC) Parent Volunteers Parent Teacher Conference

Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) Services

- SLPs in kindergarten provide the following services, as needed:
 - Informal classroom-based speech and language screening
 - Speech and language assessment to identify need for further services
 - Followup intervention or consultation for children transitioning from preschool programs
 - Direct intervention and consultation based on identified needs
 - Parent consultation



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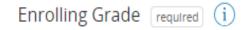
Occupational Therapy (OT) Services

- OTs informally screen students' participation in the classroom setting and provide universal strategies to the classroom staff.
- Service is primarily consultative, providing resources to classroom staff and parents when needed.
 Students with mild to moderate needs will be primarily served through these general classroom suggestions.
- OTs may have more direct involvement with children who have significant needs in the areas of selfcare, regulation and motor skills.



Specialized Supports Informed Consent

School and Program Preference



Kindergarten

Review Kindergarten Specialized Supports Informed Consent

I have read and understand the Kindergarten Specialized Supports Informed Consent. required

Please choose from the two options below regarding Kindergarten supports screening for your child. required

) Accept Screening

) Decline Screening

Refer to the Kindergarten Calendar information for the 2024-2025 schedule options, then return to this form and select your kindergarten schedule preference. The selected preference is taken into account but is not guaranteed.

Early Years Evaluation – Teacher Assessment (EYE-TA)

- Administered in the fall
- Uses teachers' regular observations and informal assessments
- Helps determine a child's progress and development in five key areas
 - Awareness of self and environment;
 - Social skills and approaches to learning;
 - Cognitive skills;
 - Language and communication; and
 - Physical development
- Assessment findings used to help plan instruction and will be shared with parents at the first progress reporting term in November
- Parent sessions providing more details and explanation will be available in the fall

Learn more at eips.ca/download/412368



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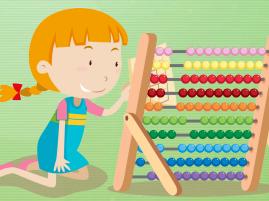




Communication and literacy



Motor skills







Social-emotional development

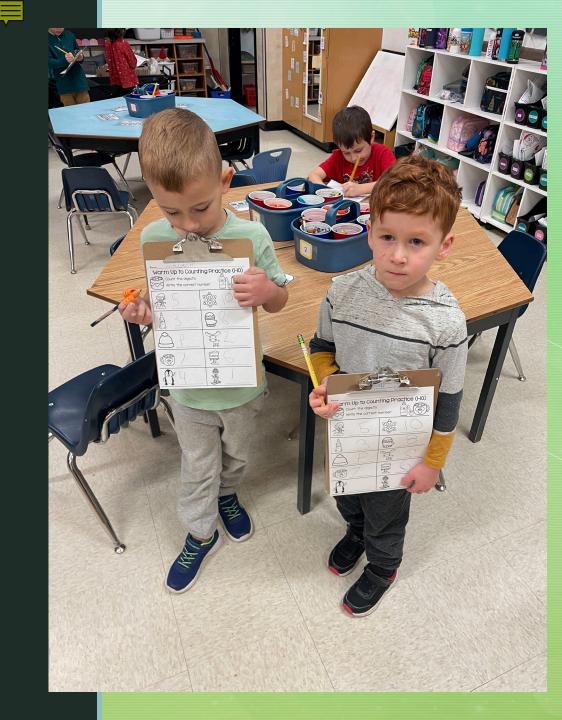


Numeracy

Self-help skills

Eye See, Eye Learn

Learn more at <u>eips.ca/programs-services/early-learning/kindergarten/preparing-for-kindergarten</u>



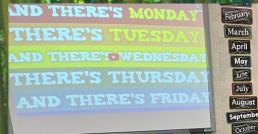
Preparing for Kindergarten Series

- EIPS, together with local partners, is planning some opportunities for kindergarten families to help prepare for the year ahead.
- Watch for more information about these opportunities coming to you email inboxes in May.
- Follow us <u>@eipsearlylearning</u> on Instagram to check out resources and what's happening in EIPS Early Learning!

Typical Kindergarten Day

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- Early dismissal days
- Parent drop off and pick up







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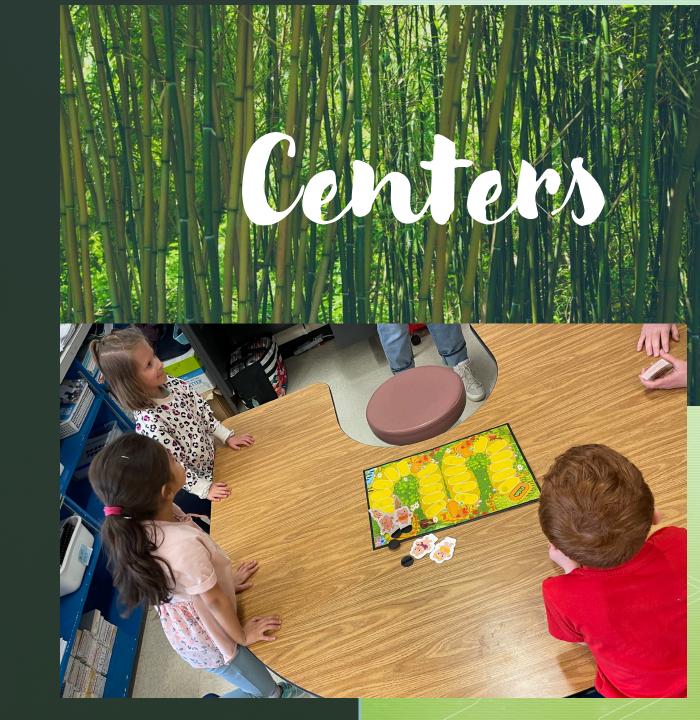


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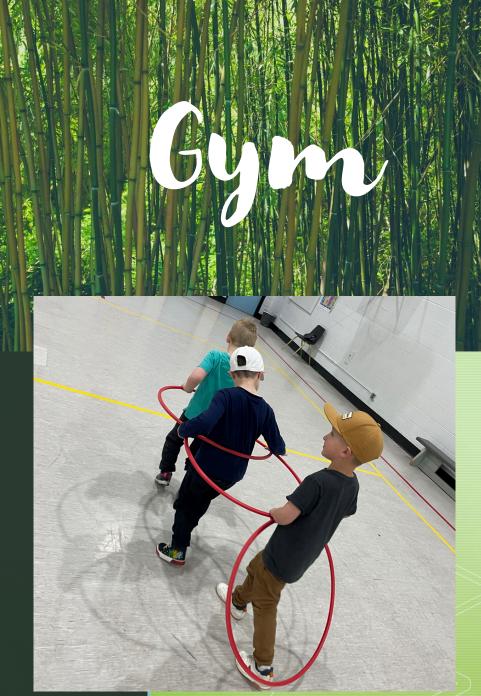






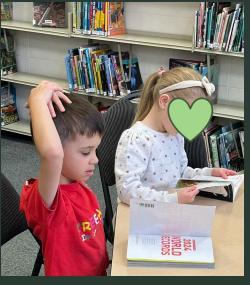


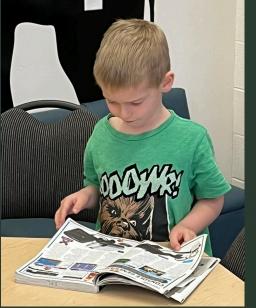
















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Family and Community Services



Visit: strathcona.ca/fcs

Phone: 780-464-4044 **Location:** 401 Festival Lane, Sherwood Park (Community Centre, Second Floor)

Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Is my child ready for Kindergarten?

Family Resource Network: Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)

Starting school is a big change for many children and parents/caregivers play a critical role in supporting their success. The ASQ is one tool that might help.

What is it?

A series of questionnaires designed to help you monitor your child's physical, mental, and emotional development at regular intervals from 2 months to 5 years old.

You can complete both the Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ-3) and the Social-Emotional Questionnaire (ASQ:SE-2) online at **strathonca.ca/agesandstages.**

Once completed you will be contacted by a Family Resource Facilitator with the results and provided additional information to continue promoting your child's development.

Questions? Email familyresourcenetwork@strathcona.ca or call 780-464-4044



Helpful Links

- eips.ca/kindergarten
- Facebook: <u>facebook.com/ElkIslandPublicSchools</u>
- Twitter: *twitter.com/eips*
- <school website>
- Facebook: <school Facebook page>
- Twitter: <school Twitter page>
- Instagram: <school Instagram page>
- Alberta Education curriculum: <u>curriculum learnalberta.ca/curriculum/en</u>



