



Kindergarten FAQ's & Information

How old does my child need to be in order to register?

To be eligible to attend Kindergarten in the **2016/17** school year, *your child must be five years of age on or before December 31st, 2016.*

When is the Kindergarten program available?

Morning or afternoon classes run Monday – Friday at Wes Hosford. Classes commence early in September and finish in late June. Students receive 475 hours of instruction. The kindergarten schedule is as follows:

Mornings 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Afternoons** 12:23 p.m. – 3:18 p.m.

What will my child learn?

Kindergarten programming promotes child development in early literacy, early numeracy, citizenship and identify, personal and social responsibility; physical skills; creative expression; and community and environmental awareness. Complete details on Kindergarten programming are available on Alberta Education's website www.education.gov.ab.ca/parents/handbooks

What if my child has special needs?

EIPS provides programming for students with special needs. For further information, please see visit our EIPS website www.eips.ca and click under *Special Education Programs*.

What is a parent's role in the classroom?

Parents are encouraged and welcome to volunteer their time in the classroom and to assist in supervising on class field trips.

How do I register?

Complete the [Kindergarten Registration & Student Information Form](#) and indicate your preference of morning or afternoon (not guaranteed). **A copy of your child's birth certificate must accompany the registration or it will not be accepted.** Placements are on a first-come, first-serve basis for students.

Is bussing provided?

It is EIPS' policy to transport eligible Kindergarten students (those living 2.4 km or greater from their designated school) who require transportation to and from the school they have been designated or directed to attend. Please direct all inquiries to [Student Transportation \(780\) 417-8151](#).

Can my Child(ren) Attend a Non-Designated School for Kindergarten?

Priority is given to children who live within a school's attendance boundary. Parents who want their children to attend an out-of-boundary, or non-designated school must fill out and submit a **Boundary Exemption Request Form, (available on the EIPS website mid-January) directly to their requested school between February 1st – April 15th. Final decisions will be made by April 22, 2016.**

WHF Kindergarten Information Night

Thursday, April 28th from 6:30 – 7:30 pm