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## • ELEMENTARY •

Friday, May 27, 2022

Dear FSE Families,

We are so incredibly fortunate to have kudos to send out again this week! Thank you very much to our Parent Society for volunteering their time to hold a bottle drive to raise funds to support our students and for the support of our school community in making this event a success! Also, our neighbourhood Tim Hortons came by on Thursday to provide staff with coffee, cookies, and donuts as part of their 'Tims For Good' campaign! What a wonderful uplifting gesture! Thank you so much!



## Updating Your Contact Information

Have you recently moved or has your contact information changed throughout the past year? Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) encourages families to review their information the Division has on file to ensure it is up to date. Using the Correction and Verification Form available through the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#), families can review their information on file for each student—including addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, parent and guardian information, emergency contacts, medical details and other related information—and submit any updates needed.

Reviewing and updating the form ensures the Division has the most up-to-date information regarding your child. Your review is especially important in case there's any communication the Division or school needs to send out over the summer months related to classes next year. All EIPS families are asked to review their child's Correction and Verification Form by **June 13 at noon**. After this time, EIPS will turn the form off for the remainder of the school year—available again at the start of the 2022-23 school year.

*NOTE:* Only submit updates for the changes that have already taken place. If you're moving this summer, you'll submit the necessary updates to your address through the Correction and Verification Form at the start of next school year after you've moved.

If you have questions about the form or the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#), contact the school at 780-998-7771.

## Little Elk Island Adventure: Registration

Elk Island Public Schools is once again planning to run the Little Elk Island Adventure, a fun and informative program for first-time school bus riders.

Annually, Student Transportation offers the Little Elk Island Adventure to new riders and their parents. The program's aim: To help introduce families to busing so they feel comfortable and at ease before even starting school. Through a series of activities, riders learn about school bus safety, danger zones, tips on boarding and how to sit properly on the bus. After that, both the children and parents hop on the bus to practice what they've learned by venturing out on a short ride.

The Little Elk Island Adventure is for first-time school bus riders entering the 2022-23 school year. The tentative session dates and times are as follows:

Location Date\* Time\*

EIPS Central Services August 16 5 p.m.

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EIPS Central Services August 17 5 p.m.

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EIPS Central Services August 19 5 p.m.

EIPS Central Services August 19 6:30 p.m.

EIPS Central Services August 20 10 a.m.

SouthPointe School August 18 5 p.m.

SouthPointe School August 18 6:30 p.m.

\* Dates and times may change depending on the province's public-health measures.

\*\* SouthPointe School locations are for students attending schools in Fort Saskatchewan.

EIPS Central Services is located at 683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park

SouthPointe School is located at 11 SouthPointe Blvd., Fort Saskatchewan

Register Now

Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

More information about busing for kindergarten children is available at: [eips.ca/transportation/kindergarten-busing-faq](https://eips.ca/transportation/kindergarten-busing-faq).

**REMINDER: School fees for the 2021-22 school year are posted on the PowerSchool Parent Portal.** All fees are due within 30 days of being posted. Throughout the year, fees are often added to cover the costs for various activities, such as field trips, extracurricular activities, and late, damaged or lost textbooks.

To access your fee information, simply log in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal and go to "Student Fees." There you can view fees and pay them online using a credit card. Make sure to monitor your child's account on an ongoing basis.

For more information about school fees, waivers and payment deadlines, visit [eips.ca/schools/fees](https://eips.ca/schools/fees). And, if you have questions, think there is an error or need help creating a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, contact your child's school directly before the summer break.

NOTE: Pursuant to Board Policy 23: School Fees and Administrative Procedure 505: School and Administrative Fees, EIPS will forward any unpaid 2021-22 fee amounts to a collection agency. To prevent this from happening, remember to pay your fees before Aug. 31, 2022.

**Student Transportation:** Planning to use Student Transportation in the 2022-23 school year? If so, make sure your child is registered so Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) can plan routes and send your child a bus pass before the first day of school.

All students who indicated needing transportation services through the returning student or new student registration processes are now registered. Those families have also received tentative route schedules and invoices—fees are due June 30, 2022.

For those students who didn't indicate needing transportation services during the registration process and want to now register, simply contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151 or email [st@eips.ca](mailto:st@eips.ca).

For more information about EIPS Student Transportation, visit [www.eips.ca/transportation](http://www.eips.ca/transportation).

NOTE: Families can pay fees online using the PowerSchool Parent Portal. To pay in-person, contact Student Transportation to make an appointment.

### **Summer Hours at Elk Island Public Schools**

Throughout the summer break, Fort Saskatchewan Elementary is closed. It reopens on August 22 at 9 a.m. If you have any school-related questions or concerns while the school is closed, contact EIPS Central Services—the office is open all summer to complete year-end activities and prepare for the 2022-23 school year. Students return to school on August 30.

EIPS Central Office Summer Hours: June 29 to August 19

Open Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Phone 780-464-3477

Address 683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park

Statutory Holidays

Closed July 1 Canada Day

Closed August 1 Heritage Day

NOTE: Student Transportation also remains open during the summer months—operating the same hours as EIPS Central Services.

### **Tools for School**

Fort Saskatchewan Elementary has once again partnered with the United Way for the 2022-23 Tools for School campaign. Annually, Tools for School provides backpacks and school supplies to students in Kindergarten through Grade 12 whose families have limited resources. If you're a parent or know a parent who needs access to the program, contact the school directly. Staff will discretely provide the backpack to the child at the beginning of the 2022-23 school year.

Alternatively, if you'd like to donate to the program, you can pick up a few extra supplies when you're out shopping for back to school. Drop-off boxes are located at the EIPS Central Services office, all Staples locations and various businesses in the community. Any supplies donated within the community are invested back into the region.

For more information about Tools for School, contact Manon Marcoux-Jones at 780-998-7771 or call EIPS Central Services at 780-464-3477.

[United Way Tools for School: 2022-23](#)

**School Council/Parent Society** 

Want to order Hot Lunch? Click [here!](#)

**Hot Lunch**

- **Friday June 3 ~ Boston Pizza (cut off to order is May 24)**

**Caregiver Education Series**

The Caregiver Education Team is proud to offer free mental health programming for parents and caregivers of children and youth through our partnership with the [Mental Health Foundation](#). In response to the global pandemic, programming continues to be offered virtually at this time.

**CYF Caregiver Education [June 2022 Newsletter](#).**

**What is your child's love language?** Join Nicole Pawlick of One Tree Psychological *Wednesday June 1, 2022, from 6:30 – 8 p.m.* at BGC Fort Saskatchewan for this **free** workshop meant to help you develop a better understanding of how your child's attachment style, temperament, & personality can be used to parent in an effective, supportive, loving & fun way! Contact Tammy via telephone @ 780-992-0103 ext. 26 or via email @ [Tammy@fsbgc.ca](mailto:Tammy@fsbgc.ca).

**ARE YOU MOVING?** As we begin preparing for next year, it is important that we have accurate student counts. To this end, if for whatever reason your child is attending another school for the 2022-23 school year, we ask that you notify the office as soon as possible at 780-998-7771. Thank you in advance for your assistance!

**Looking ahead to June:**

**June 1 ~ Early dismissal**

**June 3 ~ Hot Lunch**

**June 10 – 16 ~ Pride Week Fort Saskatchewan**

**June 15 ~ Gr. 6 PAT Math Part A**

**June 17 ~ 'Not a Backpack Day!'**

**June 19 ~ Father's Day**

**June 20 ~ Gr. 6 PAT Math Part B**

**June 21 ~ National Indigenous Peoples Day**

**June 22 ~ Gr. 6 PAT Science**

**June 23 ~ Gr. 6 PAT Social Studies**

**June 24 ~ Gr. 6 PAT ELA Part B**

**June 27 ~ Gr. 6 Celebration!**

**June 28 ~ Last day for students! Report cards published online**

**June 29 ~ Last operational day for staff**

As we head into June, there is still much learning happening, so I hope you all find time this weekend to rest and relax in preparation for the busy month ahead.

As always, if you have questions or concerns feel free to reach out to me at 780-998-7771 or [shelby.labrecque@eips.ca](mailto:shelby.labrecque@eips.ca).

Sincerely,

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