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Valley View School





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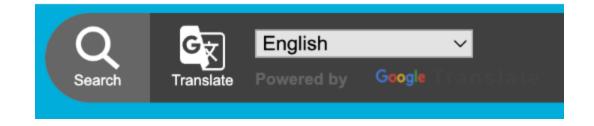












## Agenda











- Kindergarten Birthdate Calendar
- Important dates & times
- Fees School Supplies, Field Trip Fees
- Transportation
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- School Council
- Social Story for Kindergarten
- Resources, Questions and Survey











## Kindergarten Birthdate Calendar

#### Kindergarten Birthdate Calendar | 2024-25 Registration

Locate the child's birthdate in the chart below, then check the colour description below.

2018	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Students will be 6 in 2024
2019	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Students will be 5 in 2024
2020	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Students will be 4 in 2024

Blue Months- Child must be registered in Grade One.

Green Months- Child should be registered in Kindergarten (\*please see below)

Yellow Months- Child is eligible to start Kindergarten in 2024-25 OR 2025-26

Red Months- Cannot register as this child is too young (born after December 31, 2019 cutoff).

\*Children born between September- December 2018 may register in Kindergarten or Grade One. We would strongly encourage children born during this time be registered in Kindergarten unless the child has prior ECS programming.

\*Overage Kindergarten registrations may be processed for children up to age 7 and who have not attended any prior ECS programming pending approval from Early Learning and Alberta Education.

\*If there are any registrations outside of these parameters, please contact Early Learning at <a href="mailto:earlylearning@cbe.ab.ca">earlylearning@cbe.ab.ca</a>.











### Important Times & Dates

#### **Kindergarten Hours Community Program**

Monday – Thursday 8:00am-2:35pm No School Fridays

#### **Science Program**

- Class A (Monday and Wednesday) 8:00am 2:35pm
- Class B (Tuesday and Thursday) 8:00am 2:35pm
- Some Fridays 8:00am 12:15pm

#### **Staggered Entry**

- Thursday August 29<sup>th</sup>
- First Day of School Friday August 30<sup>th</sup> for Mon/Wed Science Kindergarten; Tuesday September 3<sup>rd</sup> for the other groups







## School Supplies

We provide all the school supplies your child will need to learn at school.

You will be responsible for making sure your child has:

- backpack
- 1 pair of clean indoor shoes which they will leave at school
- water bottle
- healthy lunch and snack each day

PLEASE LABEL ALL OF YOUR CHILD'S PERSONAL ITEMS









#### **School Fees**

#### School Supplies Fee:

For the 2023-24 school year, a student supplies fee will apply to all students in Kindergarten through Grade 6. The fee offsets the cost of purchasing supplies like pens, pencils, and erasers so that students have the tools to learn from their first day in class.

Student supplies fees will be assigned after October 2023.

Student Supplies Fee	2023-24			
Half Day Kindergarten	\$20.00			
Full Day Kindergarten and Grades 1-6	\$40.00			

## Field Trip Fees







Field Trips and other experiential learning opportunities are part of school programming. These fees will be shared with you throughout the year, as field trips are planned and shared with families.

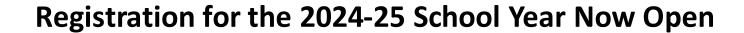
In the Science program, students will have a minimum of 10 field study experiences in the year. These range from in-school field trips, to off-site excursions.

If you are eligible for a waiver, you can apply online through your MyCBE account.

## Transportation | Bussing









Families are now able to register for school bus service for the 2024-2025 school year. Service levels and proposed fees will remain the same as the current school year. Register using <a href="MyCBE">MyCBE</a> by June 16 to be included in route planning over the summer.



We continue to accept registrations after the deadline; however, students are added to the closest existing stop with available space. Processing times could be up to six weeks at the beginning of the school year due to volume.

## Transportation | Bussing











#### My 1st Ride

The CBE offers a school bus orientation program for first-time riders and their parents, called My 1st Ride. The program consists of a 20-minute presentation followed by a short ride on a school bus and a drama presentation. The sessions are free but you must register in advance. Learn more and register.

Parents pay an annual fee for Kindergarten bussing service \$130.00.

Grades 1-6 fee is \$260.

## Transportation | Bussing







#### **Alternate Addresses Requests**

Families are able request a second address to their transportation registration for access to two bus stops and/or routes. This provides flexibility to access bus stops and routes to support childcare arrangements and changing family schedules.

You must register and complete the Alternate Address Request form in MyCBE by the June 16, 2024 deadline. The cost of this request is \$110.



## Volunteering







- Students will experience a variety of field trips and experiences. In order to go, we need your help!
- We must meet the ratio of 1 adult:5 students.
- Our volunteers need a security clearance to participate in school activities.

#### **Volunteer Clearance Process**









- Parents and guardians will be able to register to volunteer online in the SchoolEngage tab in their MyCBE account.
- Once volunteers have created an account they can initiate their police security clearance. Schools will continue to follow the process for generating letters, and will send them to the parent/guardian.

### **School Council**









We have an amazing school council at Valley View School.

The School Council supports us in a variety of ways including:

- Purchasing new resources for learning, like books and math manipulatives
- Subsidizing the cost of field trips like YMCA Camp Riveredge
- Installing 2 water filling stations at the school
- Purchasing staff hoodies and student leadership t-shirts
- Organizing a Community Resource Fair for the school community

School Council is always looking for more parents to volunteer! If you're interested, please join our first School Council meeting date on Thursday, September 17th at 6PM.

## **Social Story**









To help your child prepare for Kindergarten, we have a social story that you can read with them over the summer! Please scan the QR code to access the story.



#### Additional Resources





The Calgary Public Library- Top Tips for Kindergarten Readiness\*



The Calgary Public Library- Kindergarten Booklist

I'm Ready for Screens-Parent Resource

**Calgary Reads Literacy Resources** 



AHS Talk Box – Language Development at age 5

\*Developed in collaboration with the CPL, Calgary Board of Education and the Calgary Catholic School Division

## Questions + Survey









Please email the school valleyview@cbe.ab.ca with any questions!

Also, please take the time to complete the parent viewpoint.

