

*Glen Allan Elementary School*  
**Kindergarten  
Open House  
2023**

<https://www.glenallanelementary.ca/>







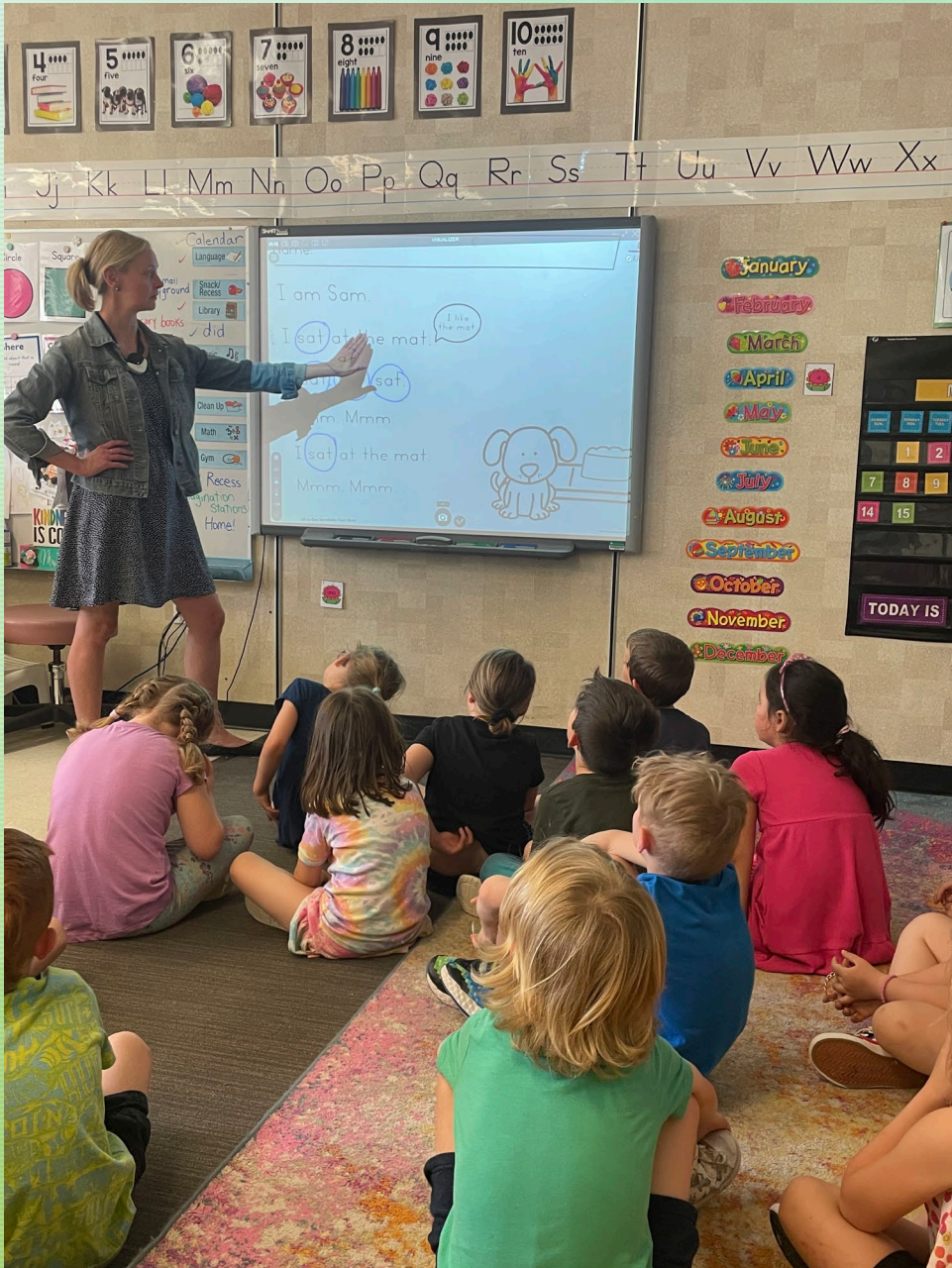
**Welcome to  
KINDERGARTEN!**





**Literacy-rich, play-based programming**





# 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 Draft Curriculum

- New kindergarten curriculum implemented in 2022-23:
  - mathematics
  - English language arts and literature
  - physical education and wellness
- In April 2023, Alberta Education will release the final kindergarten curriculum, to be implemented for the start of the 2023-24 school year, for:
  - fine arts
  - science
  - French immersion language arts and literature



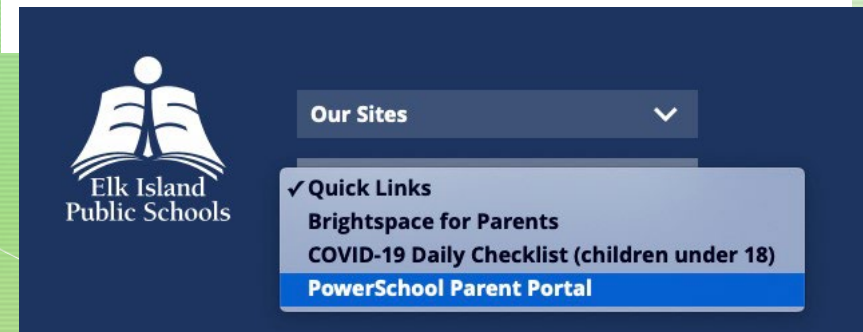
Learn more at  
[curriculum.learnalberta.ca/curriculum/en](https://curriculum.learnalberta.ca/curriculum/en)



# 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](https://eips.ca/parents/powerschool)





# 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:

[eips.ca/schools/fees](https://eips.ca/schools/fees)

[eips.ca/schools/fees/waiver-of-fees](https://eips.ca/schools/fees/waiver-of-fees)







# Student Transportation

- Bus routes
- Bus passes
- Transportation fees
- Little Elk Island Adventure

Transportation fees are due June 30, 2023  
Fees are paid online at [eips.ca/transportation/transportation-fees/student-transportation-online-payments](https://eips.ca/transportation/transportation-fees/student-transportation-online-payments)





# 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](https://eips.ca/transportation/little-elk-island-adventure)



# 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.
- 2023-24 staggered entry dates will be communicated prior to the start of the school year







# School Supplies

- School supply lists are available on our school website - <https://www.glenallanelementary.ca/parent-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.



A photograph of several young children sitting at a table, engaged in an activity. One child in the foreground is wearing a green long-sleeved shirt and looking down at the table. Another child in the background is wearing a white shirt with a name tag that says 'Bella'. The image is partially covered by a green semi-transparent overlay on the left side, which contains text.

# Events and Field Trips

- This year, the kindergarten classes had multiple field trips. We visited Rutherford House, had an in-class art field trip and visited the Strathcona Public Library. In addition to this, we had multiple Forest Day 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





# 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 self-care, regulation and motor skills.





# Specialized Supports Informed Consent

## School and Program Preference

For the 2023-24 school year, it is anticipated that all students will attend school in person.

Enrolling Grade required i

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 2023-24 schedule options, then return to this form and select your kindergarten schedule preference. The selected preference is taken into account but is not guaranteed.





# Preparing for Kindergarten





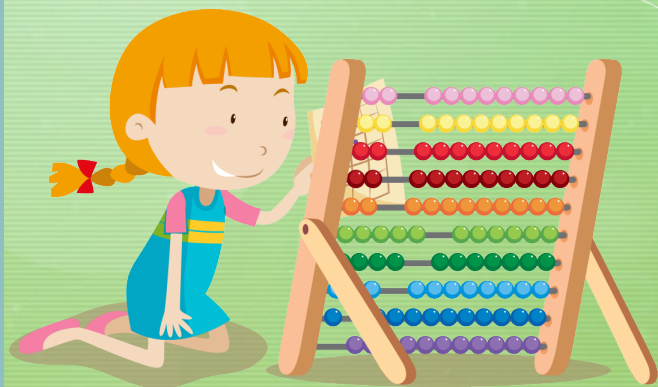
Communication and literacy



Motor skills



Social-emotional development



Numeracy



Self-help skills



Eye See, Eye Learn

Learn more at [eips.ca/programs-services/early-learning/kindergarten/preparing-for-kindergarten](https://eips.ca/programs-services/early-learning/kindergarten/preparing-for-kindergarten)





## Preparing for Kindergarten Series

- EIPS, together with local partners, is planning a series of videos and resources for kindergarten families to help prepare for the year ahead.
- Families will receive information through a series of emails sent in May and June.
- Watch your inbox for details. Prizes available to be won!



# 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





# Typical Kindergarten Day

- Bell schedule
- Early dismissal days
- Parent drop off and pick up
- Typical day includes literacy, numeracy, social studies, science, gym and art. We have music and library once a week. We have one snack time in the morning, one lunch break and 3 recesses. We finish the day off with structured play.







Lockers





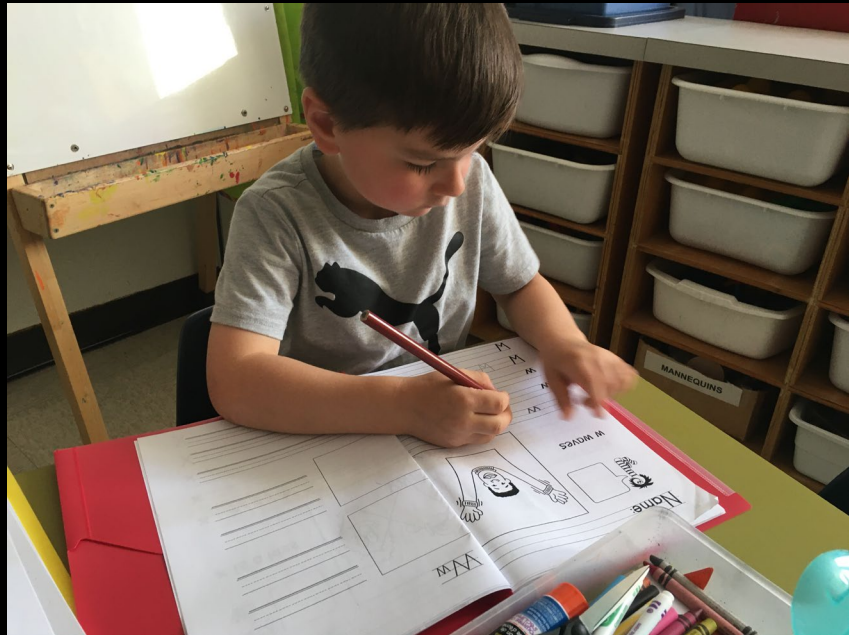
# Calendar





Snacks and Lunch





# Centers











# Music











## EIPS KINDERGARTEN CALENDAR 2023-24

Regular School Day

Early Dismissal for Students

First Day of Class

No School – Statutory Holiday

No School for All Students and Staff

No School for Students – Professional Learning/Operational Day

**SCHEDULE A:**  
Mondays, Wednesdays  
and select Fridays

**SCHEDULE B:**  
Tuesdays, Thursdays  
and select Fridays

### Important Dates

Aug 29 Professional Learning Day  
Aug 30 Operational Day  
Aug 31 First Instructional Day Calendar A  
Sept 1 First Instructional Day Calendar A  
Sept 4 Labour Day – Statutory Holiday  
Sept 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation  
Oct 6 Professional Learning Day  
Oct 9 Thanksgiving Day – Statutory Holiday  
Nov 6-10 November Break  
Nov 11 Remembrance Day – Statutory Holiday  
Dec 25 - Jan 5 Christmas Break  
Dec 25 Christmas Day – Statutory Holiday  
Dec 26 Boxing Day – Statutory Holiday  
Jan 1 New Year's Day – Statutory Holiday  
Jan 31 Professional Learning Day  
Feb 8 & 9 North Central Teachers' Convention  
Feb 19 Family Day – Statutory Holiday  
Mar 1 Professional Learning Day  
Mar 22 School Closure Day  
Mar 25 - 29 Spring Break  
Mar 29 Good Friday – Statutory Holiday  
Apr 1 Easter Monday – Division Closure  
May 3 Professional Learning Day  
May 16-17 School Closure Day  
May 20 Victoria Day – Statutory Holiday  
June 21 National Indigenous Peoples Day  
June 24 Last Instructional Day Schedule A  
June 25 Last Instructional Day Schedule B  
June 26-27 Operational Days

### AUGUST 2023

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### JULY 2024

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# EIPS offers full-day programming on alternating days.

475  
instructional  
hours  
per year

- Monday, Wednesday and select Fridays, or
- Tuesday, Thursday and select Fridays

Find the Division calendar at [eips.ca/calendar](https://eips.ca/calendar)

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