



École Percy Pegler School

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Dear Panther families,

As we approach the end of another school year, I wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude. The 2022-2023 academic year has been quite a journey, filled with challenges and triumphs, but together we have managed to create a thriving learning community.

We are filled with excitement and anticipation as we look ahead to the 2023-2024 school year; it will be a year of growth, discovery, and accomplishments. Our students have shown incredible resilience and determination, and I have no doubt that they will continue to shine brightly in the coming year.

I want to extend my deepest appreciation to our dedicated staff members who have gone above and beyond to provide quality education and support to our students. Your hard work, passion, and commitment to our learning community are truly commendable. Your efforts have not gone unnoticed, and I am grateful for the positive impact you have made on the lives of our students.

And to our departing staff members, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Henry, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Webb, Mme. Lawson, Mme. Gottselig, and Mrs. Reschke as the school year ends, we wanted to take a moment to express our heartfelt gratitude for your dedicated service. Your contributions have made a lasting impact on our students' lives, and we truly appreciate all that you have done. Thank you for your commitment and wishing you the very best in your future endeavors.

To our students, I want to say how proud I am of each of you. You have demonstrated remarkable adaptability and perseverance throughout this year. Your eagerness to learn, your kindness towards one another, and your enthusiasm inspire me every day.

Lastly, I would like to wish everyone a restful and enjoyable summer break. Take this time to recharge, spend quality time with loved ones, and pursue your passions outside of the classroom. Reflect on your accomplishments and set goals for the future. Remember to take care of yourselves, both physically and mentally, so that you return to school in the fall with renewed energy and enthusiasm.

Before we part ways for the summer, please know that classroom assignments for the 2023-2024 school year will be shared with students and parents via email towards the end of August. Please keep an eye out for this important communication, as it will contain vital information about the upcoming school year.

Once again, thank you for your unwavering support and dedication to our learning community. Enjoy your summer break, and I look forward to welcoming you all back in the fall for another incredible year of growth and learning.

Kind regards,

Rona Reid



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Monday-Friday Office Schedule 2023-2024

EPPS office will open on Wednesday, August 23rd, 2023

School starts at 8:30 am

School ends at 3:10 pm

School Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:00am- 4:00pm Tel: 403.938.4449

FSD Calendar & ECS Calendar [FSD calendar](#) .

First Day of School! Staggered Entry!

- **Grades 1-6**
 - LAST NAME A-L Thursday, Aug 31st all day
 - LAST NAME M-Z Friday, Sept 1st all day
 - **All students in attendance on Tuesday, Sept 5th**

Kindergarten

For the 23-24 school year, all EPPS kindergarten programs are running on the same calendar, no matter the program.

- Kindergarten Orientation Thursday, September 7th @ 6 pm (more information to come at the end of Aug)
- LAST NAME A-L Wednesday, **September 20th**
- LAST NAME M-Z Wednesday, **September 20st**
- All students in attendance for Monday, **September 26th**

Who will be my child's teacher?

Families will receive an email **on Monday, August 28th** indicating their child's homeroom and a map to let you know where to find your child's doors. For new families, we encourage you to either come to the front office doors where we will have staff to assist you and your child find their classroom doors. or you may can to the side entrances of the school where staff and student helpers will assist in finding your classroom.

Parking at the school can be challenging and so we recommend that if you are coming to drop your young Panther at the school on the first day that you park at the Rec Centre or along Okotoks Dr.

Transportation: If you have questions about your child's bus route please call transportation at (403) 652-6547. Or go to the [FSD website to apply for transportation](#).

JOIN OUR INSTAGRAM! @percypegler Curious about daily affairs at the school? A great way to stay current is to FOLLOW our Insta!



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Fall Gathering Meet the Teacher

Mark your calendars for Thursday, September 14th! Our Fall Gathering is an opportunity to meet and greet families, friends, and EPPS staff. There will be a staff introduction in the gym at 6 pm, followed by a quick opportunity to visit your child's classroom. After that we will have music and hotdogs, and informally meet with staff and other Panther families.

School Supplies (Supplies for ECS are included in school fees)

We are excited to offer the opportunity to purchase your school supplies through **School Start** for the 2023-24 school year. **School supplies will NOT be included in your school fees (unless your child is in ECS)**. Families may wish to use School Start to purchase online for the 2023-24 school year, or you can purchase them on your own. For families who may be struggling financially and may need a hand for the back to school season, please see [STB School Letter.pdf](#) for support available.

School Supply lists will be posted on the EPPS website! Please note that this should be posted on July 10th.

Please ensure that your child comes to school on the first day with supplies.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS THAT YOUR CHILD WILL NEED:

- Indoor **gym** runners with non-marking soles (NO BLACK SOLES PLEASE)
- Headphones
- A full size backpack and lunch kit

Voluntary items that would be greatly appreciated:

- A box of Kleenex
- A box of non-latex band-aids

School Fees for K-6

EPPS will share school fee information at school start up. Fees will be charged for enhanced course fees, non-curricular fees, and transportation fees if applicable. All remaining School Fees will remain the same or decrease in 2023-24. Fees are established by FSD and reviewed by Alberta Education.

Our Nature-Based Explore program is committed to providing a nature-based learning experience that allows our students to explore, discover, and grow in unique and inspiring ways. To support the incredible opportunities we offer, there will be division-specific fees. For students in **kindergarten, the fee is \$100**, for students in **Grades 1-3 (Division 1), a fee of \$150.00** will be required. This fee will contribute to the resources, materials, and activities that enhance the nature-based curriculum and provide enriching experiences for our young learners. For students in **Grades 4-6 (Division 2), a fee of \$250.00** will be required. This fee will support the continuation of the nature-based program and will enable us to offer specialized equipment, outdoor excursions, and other educational resources tailored to their age group. We understand that managing school expenses can sometimes be challenging, and we want to assure you that these fees



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are essential to maintain the high-quality education and unique learning opportunities we provide. All fees will be collected through Maplewood or through the office with Miss Linda.

Mabel's Labels (great way to organize your kids' things!)

You may wish to check out this opportunity brought to you from our School Council. We wish to bring this to our EPPS families as they end the year and prepare for the summer and the next school year. As a bonus, if you order your labels as École Percy Pegler School we will receive a % of the funds. **Check out the site at campaigns.mabelslabels.com and search for École Percy Pegler School to order.**

FLIPGIVE

École Percy Pegler School Council uses FlipGive - a free team funding app. Use the app when doing your groceries. It doesn't cost a thing! The QR Code will take you right there. Join our team now

<https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?joincode=YKHHHL> Want to learn more? Check out this 2-minute video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5vTO_Qg4n80