

Welcome to the Foothills School Division!

Junior Kindergarten
and Kindergarten
Open House and
Registration

January 27th, 2022



FSD's Priorities

Optimum learning is achieved through our priorities

Engagement for each learner

Engagement with learners and community that is timely, meaningful and collaborative.

Support for each learner

Learning environments are welcoming, caring, respectful, safe and inclusive.


Success for each learner

Ensure and maintain division-wide excellence in teaching, learning and leadership.

FSD's Programs



English Kindergarten
All Locations



Full-Time Kindergarten
Okotoks: Big Rock & Dr. Morris Gibson
High River: Spitzee School
High Country: C. Ian McLaren School

Montessori Program
Okotoks: Big Rock School



International Baccalaureate Program
Millarville: Millarville Community School



Nature Based Learning Program
Okotoks: École Percy Pegler School



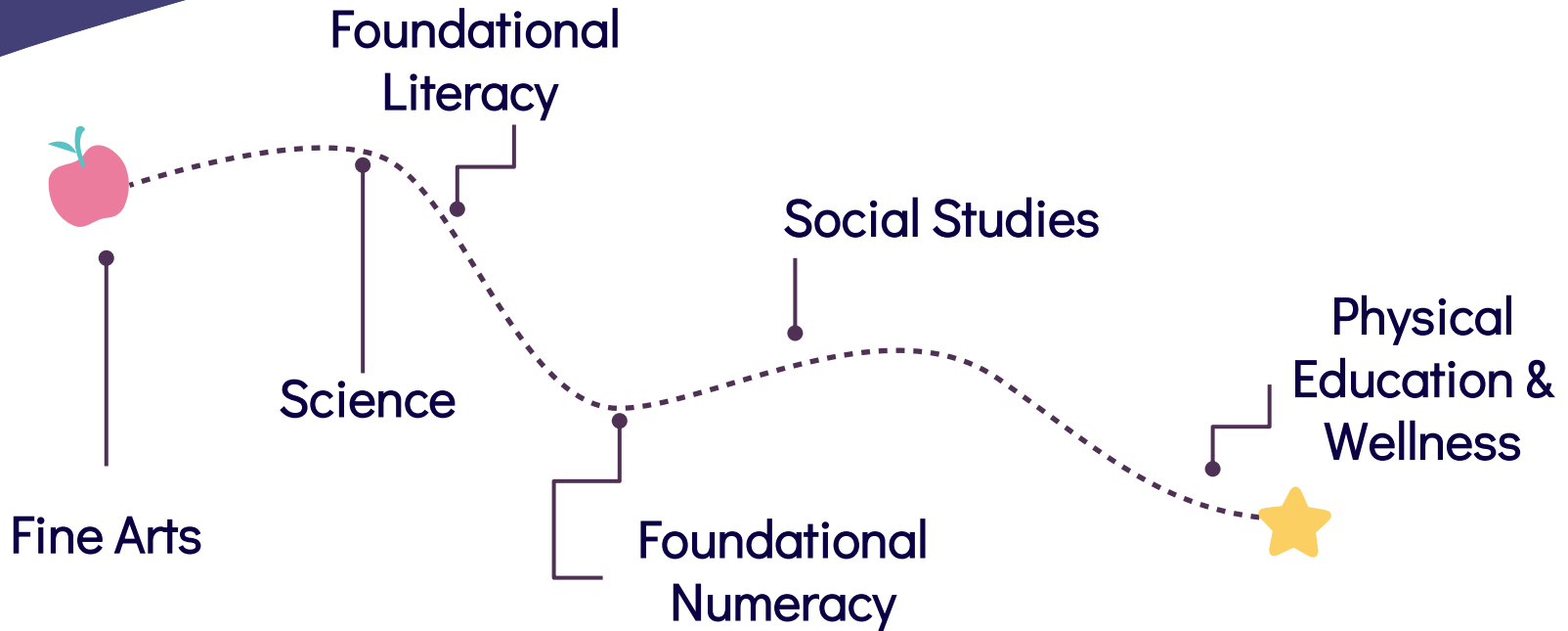
French Immersion Kindergarten
Okotoks: École Percy Pegler School
High River: École Joe Clark School



Jr. Kindergarten
Okotoks: Big Rock School, École Percy Pegler
High River: Spitzee School, École Joe Clark
Blackie: Blackie School



Kindergarten Learning Priorities



2021 Draft Kindergarten—Grade 6 (K—6) Curriculum

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Frequent Questions

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At what age can my child start school?

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How can we register?

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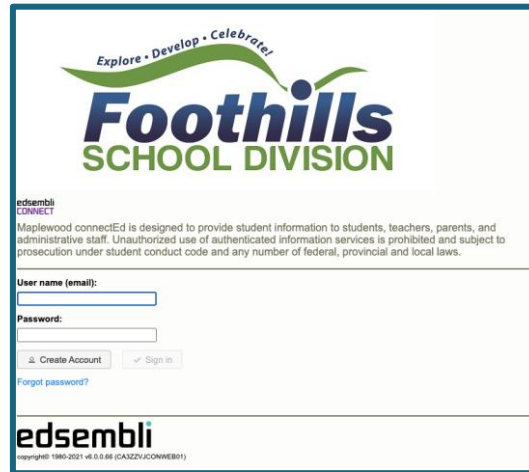
What's our designated school?

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How do we arrange busing?

How to Register

[Click Here](#) for full registration information



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Step 1: Click [Here](#)

Step 2: Create a new account or sign in if you already have one

Step 3: Complete the registration form

You will need:

- Child's proof of citizenship (e.g. birth certificate)

If you are having problems with online registration, please call your designated school for support.



Registering for Full Time Kindergarten



We are offering Full Time (full days M-F) kindergarten at 4 school sites:

C. Ian McLaren, Spitzee, Big Rock, and Dr Morris Gibson

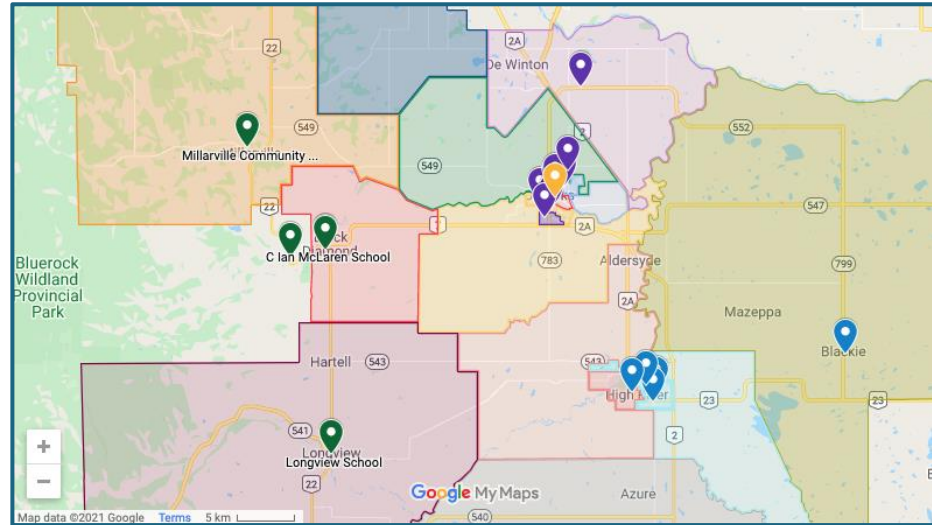
To apply:

When you register online, you will have the option to select either 'Part Time' or 'Full Time' kindergarten.

*Selecting 'Full Time' is your way of indicating you are interested in full-time kindergarten. It does not mean a guarantee of a full-time program in September. We will connect with all families by Mid-May to indicate if we have enough children registered to run!

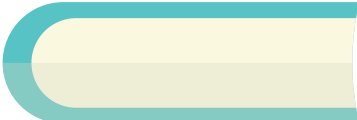
School Boundaries

Interactive Boundary Map





Busing



Kindergarten : If you live **1.6km** or farther from your designated school you may qualify for busing.



[Application Form](#)

[Transportation Rules](#)



[Transportation Contact & FAQ](#)



Questions?

T: 403-652-6547

E: Transportation@fsd38.ab.ca

Next Steps

1. Register your child!

Complete the [Google Form](#) on the [TVS Kindergarten Registration page](#)

2. Attend a Screening

Why:

To help students get excited and feel comfortable for school! We can't wait to meet you!

To determine if any students require extra support (Early support can make a big difference for Gr 1-12).

What:

The EYE-DA (The Early Years Evaluation Direct Assessment)

When:

- i. March 24 & 25
- ii. Our school will contact you to schedule an appointment.

3. Check your email and the TVS website regularly.

You will be given the full year kinder calendar and class assignment (MW or TTh) by the end of June. School supply lists will be posted in the TVS website. First day information and welcome letters will be send out in August.



The Learning Partnership



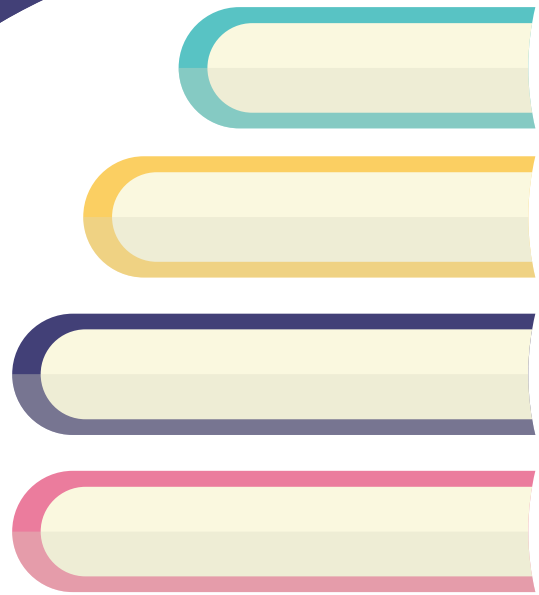
In the Spring (May or June):

- You will be invited into our school to play and learn with your child. We will engage in an hour of playing games and having fun.
- Families will receive a Welcome to Kindergarten package of goodies to take home!
- We will share more information when we see you for kindergarten screening.





How you can help your child get ready for school

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- Read books together every single day and point to the words. Ask questions too!
 - Develop fine motor skills (how to hold a pencil, use scissors, play with playdough)
 - Follow 2-3 step instructions
 - Practice letters and letter recognition
 - Find letters/numbers in the environment
 - Count with concrete items (toys, rocks, Lego)
 - Build your child's self esteem with praise, hugs and listening
 - Help your child take responsibility (cleaning up toys, using the bathroom, getting their own healthy snacks, dressing and undressing in outdoor clothing - independently)



Supports from Alberta Health Services



Alberta Health Services provides Speech Language (SLP), Occupational Therapy (OT) and Physiotherapy consultations and support for children aged 0-5.

Parents can connect to access a "Speech Chat" with an AHS Therapist by calling: **403-995-2638**.

Also, AHS anticipates re-opening their OT/PT/SLP drop-in clinics out of the Okotoks Wellness Centre early spring 2022.

Helpful Resources

- ★ [Developmental Milestones](#)
- ★ I am ready for Kindergarten [Books](#)
 - [English](#)
 - [French](#)
 - [Tagalog](#)
- ★ I am Ready for Screens [Book](#)
- ★ [Resources Galore:](#)
 - [9 Things to do this Winter](#)
 - [Getting Ready for Kindergarten](#)
 - [Age 5 Activities](#)



Welcome to Turner Valley School!



Turner Valley School

21st Century Learners



- K-6
- ~ 240 students

Kindergarten at TVS

- Half time program
- Full day attendance: M/W or T/Th
(with a select number of Fridays)
- 8:25am-3:00pm



Full Year Calendar

2020 - 2021 Kindergarten Calendar Template (Updated January 2021)

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	Mon/ Wed	Tues/ Thurs
August		3 10 17 24 31	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28		0.5	0
September		7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	10 17 24 1	11 18 25 2	4	8.5	8
October		12 19 26	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	9	10
November		9 16 23 30	2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	9	10
December		7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	1 8 15 22	2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	6.5	6
January		11 18 25	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	10	9
Semester 1								43.5	43
February		1 8 15 22	2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26		7	8
March		1 8 15 22 29	2 9 16 23 30	3 10 17 24 31	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26		12	10
April			5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	7	7.5
May			10 17 24 31	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	10	9
June		7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23	1 8 15 22	2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	10	9.5
Semester 2								44	44
TOTAL								87.5	87

- On TVS website by June
- M/W or T/TH

Monday/Wednesday Attendance Day	Tuesday/Thursday Attendance Day
Monday/Wednesday HALF Day Attendance	Tuesday/Thursday HALF Day Attendance
Elementary Non-Attendance Day	Christmas/Easter Break
Statutory Day – Schools Closed	Kindergarten screening – no school for current kinders
	V4.0 (TVS)

Note: March 12 is now a PD day

What does a kindergarten day look like?

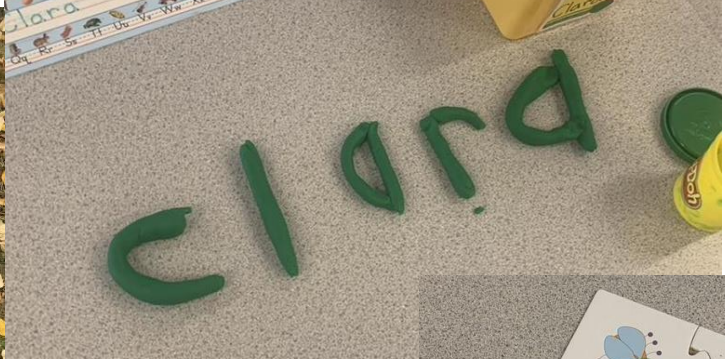
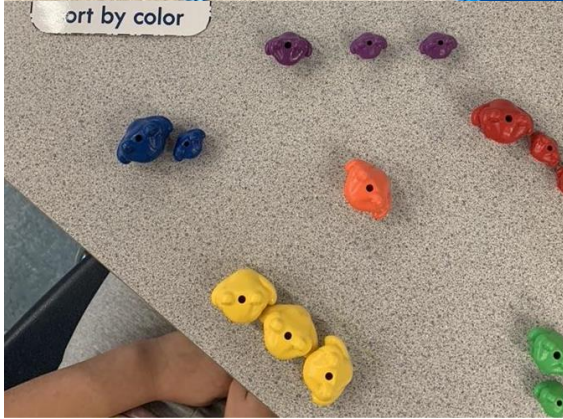


- Circle time
- Movement Break(s)
- Outside Learning
- Large Group & Small Group Activities
 - Phonics and phonological awareness
 - Handwriting
 - Word Work
 - Journals / “kid-writing”
 - Mini Lessons (themes)
- Literacy Centres (TRIP)
- Snack
- Quiet “Reading”
- Gym, Library, Music, Buddies
- Recess (x2)
- Lunch
- Math Centres (MaRTI)
- Story Time
- Choice Centres
 - Art, Construction, Dramatic Play, Theme Exploration, Sensory Play, etc.

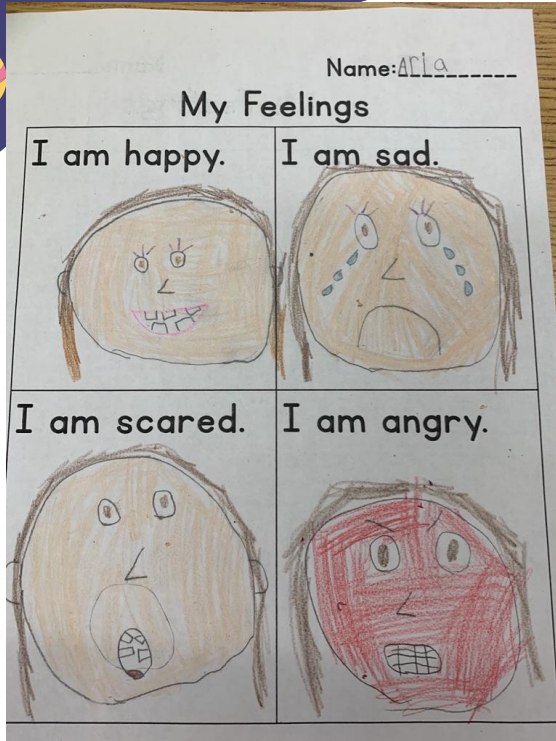
Foundational Literacy & Numeracy



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Personal and Social Responsibility



Fine Arts





Science



Physical Education & Wellness



Getting Involved with the School

In Class:

- Classroom volunteer, field trips, special days, “behind the scenes”



Getting Involved with the School



In the School at Large:

- Parent Council
- Hot Lunch Program
- Reading Support
- School Events (Sports Day, Welcome Breakfast, Gingerbread in the Gym)

TVS School Community

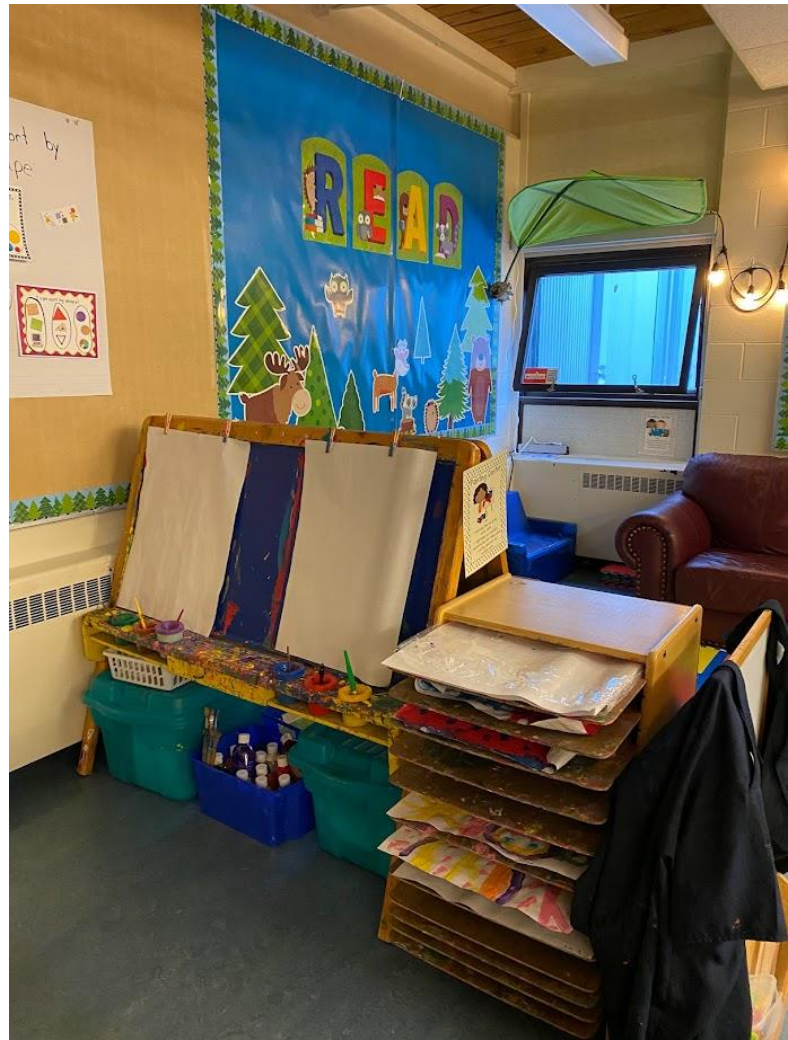


- Welcome Back Breakfast
- Walking Wednesday
- Reading Buddies
- Gingerbread in the Gym
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Tiger's Den
- Family Literacy Day
- Sports Day









Additional Resources

[Alberta Kindergarten Curriculum](#)

- [Kindergarten at a Glance](#)

[Early Learning in Foothills School Division](#)

Alberta Health Services

[Vaccinations](#) - forward completed forms to
vaccination.services@ahs.ca

[Eye See, I Learn](#)

- We recommend that all children have their eyes checked by an optometrist in the year prior to attending kindergarten





Do you have any questions?

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