

# GET READY TO LEARN

## JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION GUIDE



### WELCOME TO FSD!

Registering your child for preschool-- or as we call it at Foothills School Division, Junior Kindergarten (JK)--is a big milestone. This resource is to help you be informed on the enrollment process, making it easy to register your child at one of our great schools.

### GETTING STARTED

You will need to gather a few documents and understand the requirements before registering your child. What you may consider:

- Is my child old enough to enroll?
- Do I have the correct documents?
- Do I want my child registered in an alternative learning program for Kindergarten?

### THE PROCESS

1. Find your nearest school
2. Gather required documents
3. Complete online registration
4. Connect with the school
5. See you in the Fall!

### WHEN TO REGISTER

You may register your child for Junior Kindergarten as long as they turn four (4) years old on or before December 31 of the school year they enroll in Junior Kindergarten.

Children under four (4) and with a demonstrated need may be eligible for funding to participate in this program for more than one year. Please visit our website for details.

### IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS FOR REGISTRATION

You must provide proof of your child's age, legal name, citizenship and address.

Acceptable identification documents for your child include:

- Canadian birth certificate
- Your child's Canadian passport
- Canadian Indigenous status card



*To save time, scan the documents to your computer ahead of time to have them handy during registration.*

Accepted forms of **proof of address** and other accepted forms of identification can be found on the online registration form (see Registration).

**Non-Canadian students** see registration process in registration section of this guide or visit the our website for more details.

### PATHWAYS FOR ALL - CHOOSING YOUR SCHOOL

The Junior Kindergarten program is not yet available at every elementary school in our division. You can enroll at your nearest school that offers Junior Kindergarten to take advantage of what the program offers and then register your child for Kindergarten at your designated school the following year.

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## FIND YOUR JK SCHOOL

Junior Kindergarten is offered at the following schools:

- **Okotoks:** Big Rock & École Percy Pegler
- **High River:** École Joe Clark & Spitzee
- **Blackie:** Blackie
- **DeWinton:** Heritage Heights

## REGISTRATION

Junior Kindergarten registration is online

### Registering as a Canadian student

- New to FSD? Create an Edsembli account.
- Once an account is created, you will receive confirmation and can register your child by following the prompts.
- Existing Edsembli Portal users can select the “Kindergarten Registration” form.

Please refer to our website for complete registration information details.

### Registering as a non-Canadian student

- To register your child for school, you must create an Edsembli account.
- Once you have submitted the registration form through Edsembli, contact the school to complete your registration.

### Preparing for Kindergarten

- Re-registration at your designated (or chosen school for an alternative program) is required.

## YOUR EDSSEMBLI ACCOUNT

Once your child is registered, your Edsembli account is your portal into your child’s learning. You can:

- View and edit your child’s information
- View all of your children under one portal
- Access your child’s grades and attendance
- Pay fees online
- Sign field trip forms

## FORGOT YOUR PASSWORD?

For help with your Edsembli account, please view the resources at our website or contact your child’s school.

Schools can reset your password to help you regain access into the portal.

## WHY JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN?

JK is a fantastic opportunity to understand your child’s learning needs and prepare them for their academic career ahead.

Children develop social skills, foster lasting friendships, and build a solid foundation for learning, all within a familiar school setting.

We look forward to meeting you and your little learner in Junior Kindergarten!

## SCHEDULE

Junior Kindergarten is offered on a part time and full time basis, depending on the capacity of the school.

Contact your school of choice or visit our website for details.

## FEES

School-based preschool programs are not funded by Alberta Education. To offer the program a fee is charged per month. Fees cover the cost of staffing and resources and are proportional to the number of days a student attends per week. Some students may be eligible for funding support, based on demonstrated learning needs.

For details, please see our website.

## TRANSPORTATION

Families are responsible for the safe transportation of their children to and from Junior Kindergarten.

Students may become eligible for bussing once in Kindergarten.