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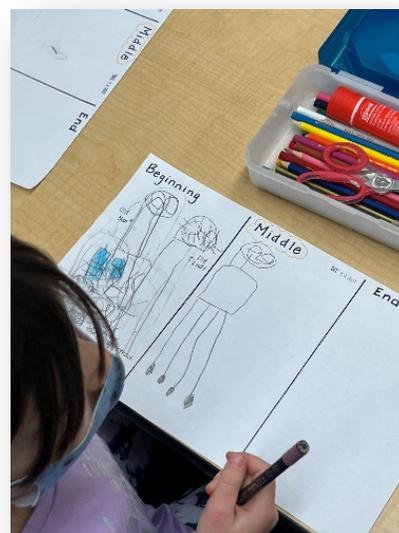
Kindergarten at Evergreen School

2024-2025

Philosophy at Evergreen School:

Kindergarten is the start of an exciting adventure for your child. At Evergreen School, each child is welcomed into the classroom as a unique individual with their own strengths, interests and passions. We are committed to supporting each child in a safe, inclusive and welcoming environment and nurturing their identity as a learner and their role as a citizen in our greater school community.

At Evergreen, we believe the acquisition of knowledge is active and that children learn best when engaged in meaningful learning experiences and working together with their peers. Your child will learn through playful approaches to developing early literacy and numeracy skills, building a solid foundation for reading, writing, mental mathematics and problem-solving. They will study and investigate as scientists - observing, asking questions, hypothesizing and testing their theories. Your child will become an active, responsible citizen through opportunities to learn about different cultures, understand perspectives and develop awareness of who they are in relation to others in their world. They will grow socially and emotionally as they learn to identify and understand their emotions, set and achieve personal and collective goals, develop healthy relationships, and make responsible and caring decisions. Your child's curiosity, creativity and imagination will thrive through opportunities in the visual arts, music, drama and movement. Given our proximity to Fish Creek Park and our beautiful outdoor learning space, there will be many opportunities for your child to learn outside from and with the environment.



We will laugh with your child, problem-solve with them, listen to their stories, amaze in their achievements, nurture their confidence and sense of self and allow space for them to grow as a learner in their own unique way.

Please see the [Alberta Education Kindergarten at a Glance](#) for more information on programming in Kindergarten.

Program Information:

- **Registration Process:** Please visit the [CBE Registration](#) page for information on how to register.
- **Calendar:** Evergreen School follows the [CBE traditional calendar](#).
- **Program:** Our AM program runs from 8:30AM-11:25AM M-TH and the PM program runs from 12:20PM-3:15PM M-TH. AM and PM programs run on alternating Fridays from 8:15AM-11:50AM **This should remain the same for the 2024-2025 school year, but may change depending on enrollment numbers.**
- **Eligibility:** Children must be at least five years old as of December 31 to start kindergarten in the fall of that kindergarten year. This means that a four-year old child may start kindergarten if they will turn five on or before December 31 of that kindergarten year.

- **Before and After Care:** Evergreen School is privileged to house *TOPP Kids*, a before and after school care program for K-5 students. Please visit their [website](#) for more information or call Sarah Klein, the Evergreen Program Coordinator, at (587) 434-7318 for more information.
- **Transportation:** One-way transportation to school is available for kindergarten children who attend the designated school for their community and live within the established transportation service area. Transportation is provided in the morning to the AM program and after school from the PM program. **There is no mid-day transportation offered for either the AM nor PM programs.** Please click on this [link](#) to access a map with our designation area and walk zone to see if you are eligible for transportation. You can also contact Transportation Services at 403-817-7433 or email transportation@cbe.ab.ca for more information.



- **“Welcome to Kindergarten Orientation”:** If you decide to register your child for Kindergarten at Evergreen School, you will receive an invite in early spring to attend our orientation on Thursday, May 23, 2024 from 6:00pm-7:00pm.
- **MyCBE/PowerSchool Parent Account:** Once you have registered your child, you will be able to create a MyCBE/PowerSchool Parent Account, which will provide you seamless access to pay fees, fee waivers, transportation registration, noon supervision registration, D2L Parent Access, booking school conferences and the ability to view child progress online.

Parent Involvement:

There are many ways for you to become involved in your child’s education at Evergreen School:

- follow the classroom Blog
- talk with your child each day about what they did at school
- volunteer in the school or on field trips
- attend assemblies and other school events
- Student Learning Conferences
- attend the Evergreen School Council and Parent Association meetings by contacting our Council at evergreenschoolcouncil@gmail.com.



Getting Ready for Kindergarten

Starting kindergarten is an exciting adventure full of promise. You can help prepare your child for this important experience in a number of ways. Talking about Evergreen School and helping your child feel excited about their new adventure will make a positive difference. You can also reference our [Ideas for Parents](#) guide.

If you have any questions regarding Kindergarten at Evergreen School, please do not hesitate to contact the school at (403) 777-6288 or evergreen@cbe.ab.ca.