

2025-2026 Parent Handbook Summary

(Please refer to the Parent Handbook for full details)

Program Details:

Morning Program

- Learning-through-play for 3- & 4-year-olds
- 9:00-11:15 am
- Choose from 2-days (T/Th), 3-days (M/W/F) or 5-days
 3-days (M/W/F) per week (M-F)
- Provides opportunity for children to socialize with their peers
- Provides consistent environment and routine to build security & self-confidence
- Encourages creativity and curiosity
- Enables children to make independent choices and build on their interests
- Parent-involved feedback and assessment

Afternoon Program

- Kindergarten Prep for 4- & 5-year-olds
- 1:00-3:15 pm
- Focus on STEM development while keeping the creative freedom for children to express themselves
- Provide opportunities to improve a child's literacy and numeracy skills as outlined in the Alberta Education Kindergarten Program
- Nurture children's curiosity and development of critical thinking skills that will be beneficial for their future school careers
- Formal feedback and assessment
- Perfect for children attending morning kindergarten

Children must be able to use the toilet (diapers or training pants cannot be changed at the school).

Parent Responsibilities:

- Annual General Meeting attendance is mandatory.
- Volunteering
 - o Parent Job: One parent/guardian is assigned one job per child for the year; a board position can be the parent job; most jobs can be done at home.
 - o Fundraising: All families need to help with the fundraisers so the school can pay for extra activities and supplies, field trips for the children, and to keep fees low; typical fundraisers include a 50/50 online raffle, product sales (chocolate, plants, etc.), and spring activity (ex. carnival or bike-a-thon), if possible.
 - o Casino: A casino is planned for early 2026. Families must provide one casino worker (does not have to be a family member if this goes against cultural or religious practices).
- Financials
 - o Payments are summarized in the table below:

Class	**Registration Fee (paid at registration)	Total Monthly Fee (1st of month Sept-May)	Total Monthly Fee After \$100 grant*
2-day	\$60	\$167	\$67
3-day	\$60	\$205	\$105
5-day	\$60	\$260	\$160

^{*.} Fees are subject to change based on government programs.

- No required in-class volunteer/duty days. Adults can help in class if they would like to.
- If your child has been placed in a class, you will be asked to submit the forms for your banking information and school fees and fines form to the Registrar within 10 business days. Registration is only available online.

^{**}Reaistration fee is non-refundable



<u>Cancelling:</u> Withdrawal Form must be filled out and sent to the Registrar. No less than one full month's notice is required (for example, if you wish to have your child leave any time in December, then notice must be received and acknowledged by the Registrar before November 1st.). Withdrawals on or after March 1 will require payment of program fees for March, April, May, and June.

<u>Communication:</u> We like to keep in touch with our families using emails, private Facebook groups, and newsletters.

<u>Drop-off and Pick-up:</u> Meet the teachers at the front door of the school on 115 Street. Wait for the teachers to take your child before leaving. At pick-up, the teacher will send out your child when they see you. Verbal notification to the teachers is needed if someone not listed in your file will be picking up your child. Call the classroom if you are late.

What to Bring to School: Each child should have a backpack, non-slip indoor shoes (to be left at the school), a healthy snack (nut free), a juice/water bottle, a complete change of clothes (stays in their backpack). Please label all of your child's belongings before their first day. Your child should be dressed appropriately every day for the weather so they can play outside if possible.

AGM: Wed Aug 27th, 6pm, 2025

Visit Days: Tuesday, Sept. 2; Wednesday, Sept. 3; Thursday Sept., 4 and Friday, Sep 5, 2025

Staggered Start Days: Monday Sept. 8; Tuesday, Sept ; Wednesday Sept 10 and Thursday Sept 11, 2025

Full Days: Friday Sept. 12 and Tues Sept 16, 2025