



April 14, 2022



WESTBORO ELEMENTARY

Weekly Newsletter

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- April 15:** Good Friday - No school for staff or students
- April 18:** No School - Easter Monday
- April 21:** Grade 2 Boats and Buoyancy In School Field Trip
- April 22:** Earth Day
- April 22:** PLACE Swimming Lessons 12:40 p.m.

HOT LUNCH IS BACK!

Welcome Back, Westboro Parents!!!

We are so excited to be able to offer Hot Lunch again!!!

Our 1st menu will be a Booster Juice and COBS lunch on **April 25th!** Ordering for this menu runs from **Monday, April 11 to Sunday April 17, 2022.** Payment can be made by cash or cheque only. Please make cheques out to **Westboro Parents Group.** The last day to send in money will be Tuesday, April 19, 2022. *No late orders or payment can be accepted.*

Please visit our Hot Lunch online ordering system at:

<https://westboro.hotlunches.net>

Please follow instructions on the main page. **Access code is WBHL**

Once the students have been added to the system, you will be able to place lunch orders!

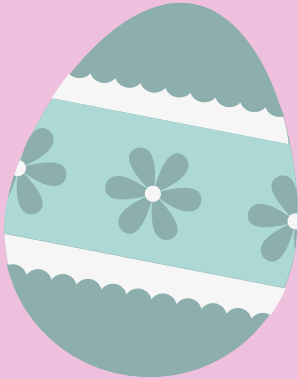
IT'S THAT EASY! Don't delay register today!!!

If you have any questions, contact Allison Usher at westboroparents@gmail.com.

STRATHCONA COUNTY CHILD AND YOUTH COALITION: APRIL NEWSLETTER

The [April 2022 Strathcona County Child and Youth Coalition newsletter](#) is now available.

CELEBRATING EASTER AT WESTBORO



STRATHCONA COUNTY EGG HUNT



For more info, visit www.theparkchurch.ca

SATURDAY, APRIL 16TH 10AM - 2PM **BROADMOOR LAKE PARK/FESTIVAL PLACE** **EVENT DETAILS**

Egg Hunt begins at 10:00am - racing start

All other activities available until 2:00pm

Parking available in designated areas

Food available for purchase at Food Trucks on site

ACTIVITIES INCLUDED:

Egg Hunt (over 50,000 chocolate eggs plus golden egg prizes)

Edmonton Stingers meet and free throw competition

Kids craft area

An appearance by the Easter Bunny

Free coffee, giveaways and SWAG

A BIG THANK YOU TO EIPS VOLUNTEERS

National Volunteer Week takes place April 24–30. On behalf of the Board of Trustees at Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS), I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all EIPS volunteers and school families for your support over the last 24 months. Collectively, we've had to react, shift and adapt throughout the various COVID-19 waves and changing public-health restrictions. Despite that, EIPS volunteers showed tremendous flexibility, commitment and creativity to ensure schools continue providing exceptional education and opportunities for all students.

So, thank you for your time, efforts and support. It's inspiring and making a difference in the lives of students. I encourage everyone to join in this year's National Volunteer Week by celebrating the hundreds of volunteers within EIPS and reflecting on the role of volunteers in our future.

Trina Boymook Chair, EIPS Board of Trustees

GET READY FOR KINDERGARTEN

Do you have a child registered in kindergarten next year? If so, make sure to attend Westboro Elementary's upcoming Kindergarten Information Night on **Tuesday, May 3 at 6:30 p.m.**

You'll get to:

- tour the school;
- meet the teacher;
- gain insight on play-based learning; and
- see what a typical day looks like.

To make the transition to school as smooth as possible, Elk Island Public Schools has put together a toolkit for families. The kit includes information about registration, important dates, programming options, what to expect, eligibility, finding your designated school, transportation and more. Find it at: [Welcome to EIPS Kindergarten](#).

Additional information about Westboro Elementary's kindergarten program is available on the school website www.westborelementary.ca

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

Red flashing lights are used throughout Elk Island Public Schools, with the exception of urban Sherwood Park and the City of Fort Saskatchewan. School bus safety is everyone's responsibility.



SPREAD THE WORD: EIPS IS HIRING SUBSTITUTE EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANTS

Do you know someone who's great at working with children and youth and eager to support student learning? Someone who's looking for a flexible schedule and variety in their day-to-day tasks? Spread the word! Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) is hiring substitute educational assistants (EA) to work on a casual, on-call basis supporting all school locations.

EAs are integral to the school team, assisting teachers with instructional and non-instructional tasks in the classroom and other school activities. Whether it's working one-on-one with individual students or with a small group of students in a class or special program, EAs provide support and assistance to help students achieve success. Substitute EAs are critical to ensuring the continuity of student learning each and every day.

Substitute EAs are needed to fill positions until the end of the school year. If you know someone who'd be great in this role, encourage them to [apply today](#).

JUNIOR HIGH INFORMATION NIGHTS

Each junior high in the Division hosts an information night in the spring. These events are an opportunity for you to take a tour of your new school, meet the teachers, get a sneak peek at the classrooms and learn about the upcoming curriculum at your child's junior high school. All [Junior High Information Nights](#) are now posted on the Division website.

PALS FAMILY SESSIONS

Do you have a child currently in the PALS pre-kindergarten program? Join [Elk Island Public Schools](#) for upcoming sessions to help build on the skills your child is learning in the classroom. Virtual sessions take place in April through June.

<https://bit.ly/35CGtBw>

APRIL 2022 CAREGIVER SERIES

[Alberta Health Services](#), in collaboration with the [Mental Health Foundation](#), offers FREE online programming for parents and caregivers of children and youth.

Caregiver Education Sessions: 90-minute online sessions intended to provide parents, caregivers, teachers and community members with introductory information regarding mental health challenges that can affect children and youth.

Lunch & Learn Webinars: 60-minute sessions intended to provide parents, caregivers and community members with information regarding mental health challenges that can affect children and youth. When topics are presented as a series, participants can attend one or all sessions.

Drop-in Series: 90-minute, interactive workshops for parents and caregivers looking to strengthen their foundational parenting skills, address parenting challenges and support their child's social and emotional development.

Learn more: www.eips.ca/download/385650

Strathcona County's
Agricultural Service Board

POSTER CONTEST

From field to fork

Grains, vegetables, fruit, and livestock—farmers work hard every day to provide us with nutritious food that they grow in their fields. Draw a picture of all the farm-grown food you love to eat.

Prizes

Prizes will be presented to three winners from each grade.

**1st Place - \$100 | 2nd Place - \$75
3rd Place - \$50**

Contest open to all Grade 3, 4 and 5 students in Strathcona County and Fort Saskatchewan.

In order to claim their prize, a parent or legal guardian will be required to sign a Release and Consent form.

Contest opens:
Monday, April 4, 2022

Contest closes:
Friday, May 6, 2022

For contest rules and entry guidelines, visit:
strathcona.ca/postercontest



Chances of winning are dependent on number of entries received. Contest entries will be judged by Strathcona County, Transportation and Agriculture Services Selection Committee based on creative representation of the theme of "From field to fork" and visual appeal. No purchase is necessary.



Strathcona County Information

COVID-19 UPDATE

For latest COVID-19 information click [here](#).

EARTH DAY

We are all connected, and it is important for us to recognize that our actions and choices today can impact the environment, our future, and those around us. Join the community to celebrate Earth Day at the Ardrossan Memorial Hall and learn more about leaving a positive footprint on our planet.

Please register at <https://www.strathcona.ca/.../family-resource-network/>

SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

Mother nature might not know it yet, but summer camp registration is just around the corner.

Summer camp registration for all programs began **on Tuesday, April 12**. Make the most out of your summer with half day, full day, indoor or outdoor opportunities out in the sun.

Summer camps are available for advance viewing starting today if you'd like to plan ahead.

<https://www.strathcona.ca/.../act.../recreation-programs/...>

GLEN ALLEN RECREATION COMPLEX

The dry surface area at Glen Allan Recreation Complex is now open for daily use.

- 3 pickleball courts and one flex court
- Basketball hoops
- Ping-pong

Various sports equipment, blocks and mini stick hockey.

Available for drop-in use from 5:30 a.m. – 10 p.m. throughout the spring & summer months.

Regular facility admission rates apply.

AT HOME ALONE

Are you thinking about leaving your child at home by themselves for the first time? Even if it's for a short while, the At Home Alone program may be ideal for your 8 to 12 year old child to attend.

Topics include general safety, the value of 9-1-1, dealing with different types of emergencies, potential hazards in the home and some brief first aid. Next class is **April 19 at 6:30 p.m.**

Register today!

<https://reonline.strathcona.ca/.../browse/PROGX921CSAP>