



December 9, 2022



WESTBORO ELEMENTARY

Weekly Newsletter

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

December 13: Elk Island Logos Society Meeting at Westboro Elementary, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

December 15: Pajama and Pancake Breakfast Day for **Kindergarten**. Wear your PJs to school!

December 16: Pajama and Pancake Breakfast Day for **Grades 1-6**. Wear your PJs to school!

PAJAMA AND PANCAKE BREAKFAST DAY

Our wonderful school council and volunteers will be hosting our annual Pancake Breakfast again this year on

December 15 for Kindergarten and **December 16 for Grades 1-6!** Students will be served pancakes and sausages shortly after the first bell of the day. Students are welcome to wear their pajamas to school too!

WESTBORO ELEMENTARY FACEBOOK PAGE

Westboro Elementary now has a Facebook page that is school run. We will post information about what's going on around the school! Click the link below to join the group!

[Westboro Elementary Facebook Group](#)

CAREGIVER SERIES: DECEMBER AND JANUARY SESSIONS

Alberta Health Services offers free online programming for parents and caregivers of children and youth, as well as sessions for adults. Sessions are offered through Zoom. Upcoming topics for December include mindfulness and understanding autism. Upcoming topics for January include understanding anxiety and how sleep affects your family's mental health. The lists of [December 2022](#) and [January 2023](#) sessions are now available.

FEE WAIVER APPLICATION DEADLINE

If circumstances exist where you're unable to pay school or transportation fees, you can apply to have [fees waived](#) by submitting an [Application for a Waiver of Fees](#). The application deadline is Dec. 15, 2022. If you're new to the Division, the deadline is the latter of Dec. 15, 2022, or 45 days after registration.

To access your fee information, simply log in to the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) and go to "Student Fees." There you can view your fees and pay them online using Visa or MasterCard. All fees are due within 30 days of being posted.

Don't forget to also log in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal regularly throughout the year. Fees are often added to your child's account to cover the cost of various school activities such as field trips, class projects, extracurricular activities and more.

For more information about school fees, waivers and payment deadlines, visit www.eips.ca/schools/fees and <https://www.westboroelementary.ca/about/fees>. Alternatively, contact Billie Jean Mephram at Westboro Elementary at 780-467-7751.

CHRISTMAS BREAK

Westboro Elementary will close for the Christmas break at the end of the day on Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2022. The school will reopen on Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2023. During this time, if you have any school-related questions or concerns, contact Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) Central Services at 780-464-3477.

EIPS Central Services Christmas Break Hours

Open December 22 and 23; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Closed Dec. 26, 2022 to Jan. 2, 2023

Open January 3; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. *for location and contact information visit www.eips.ca.

From everyone at Elk Island Public Schools, we wish all of you a happy holiday season and a wonderful New Year

RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION FOR 2023-24

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) will once again conduct an online returning student registration process to confirm student registrations for the 2023-24 school year. Families of all current students—with the exception of graduating Grade 12 students—must complete the process to confirm the school their child plans to attend in the 2023-24 school year or advise the Division of their plans not to return to EIPS. Additionally, students who want to attend a non-designated school need to make that request through the returning student registration process—acceptance is based on available space. The 2023-24 returning student registration takes place Feb. 1-28, 2023.

Access to the Returning Student Registration Form is provided through the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). If you don't have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, you need to set one up before Feb. 1, 2023.

[Create a PowerSchool Parent Portal account](#)

For more information, contact the school office at 780-467-7751.

Save the date.

December 4th – 10th

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From every
pizza sold.

Pizza Night with Panago Pizza and Westboro School

From **December 4th to 10th** your Parent Council will be partnering with our local Wye Road Panago Pizza location to offer our families a great deal and raise money for our school.

When you order from the Wye Road Panago Pizza December 4th to 10th, \$1 from every Small, Medium, Large and Extra-Large pizza sold will be donated to our school!

Let's all come together and make December 4th to 10th a pizza week that pays back! We thank you in advance and look forward to a successful fundraising event.

Order online at www.panago.com

Call 310-0001 to place your order over the phone.

Order in person at the Wye Road Panago Pizza location:
#23, 99 Wye Road, Sheerwood Park

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CAREER PATHWAYS NEWS

The [December Career Pathways News](#) is now available. Include these exciting opportunities in your school newsletters and share them with your school community.

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH NEWSLETTER

The December edition of the Alberta Health Services Addiction and Mental Health Newsletter focuses on joy during the holiday season. [Newsletter](#)

Themes include:

- [Increasing your joy during the holiday season](#)
- [Joy through mindfulness](#)
- [Tips to help children feel joy](#)
- [Joy through self-care practices](#)

Strathcona County Information

SANTA CONVOY

The Santa Convoy will make its way through Strathcona County this weekend!

- December 10 Santa will visit the Sherwood Park route
- December 11 Santa will visit the rural Strathcona County route

Find out what time he'll be in your neighbourhood:

<https://www.strathcona.ca/.../festival.../winter-activities/>

SANTA SKATE

Come join us at the **Glen Allan Recreation Complex** for our annual Santa Skate!

Sunday at 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

- Free admission
- Visit from Santa
- Free skate rentals
- Photo opportunities
- Cookie decorating
- Hot chocolate

THE RECREATION AND CULTURE GUIDE RETURNS!

[The Winter 2023 Recreation and Culture](#) program guide is available now for online viewing.

Printed copies are now available for pick-up in our facilities.

Registration starts:

- Tuesday, December 13 at 7 a.m. for swimming
- Thursday, December 15 at 7 a.m. for all other programs

[More info here.](#)

SHINNY, STICK AND SKATE

New shinny and stick & skate times available. Shinny and stick & skates are included on the Active Pass+. View all indoor skating times and locations

<https://www.strathcona.ca/.../acti.../skating-shinny-hockey/>