



# ERRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear EES Families,

I hope you have continued to stay well and have been enjoying the summer. I trust you have been following the news about school start-up and hope you have been monitoring the communications being sent by Dr. Elder, our SD69 Superintendent. There are several links on the SD69 website that provide updates on our plans for September.

<https://www.sd69.bc.ca/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

Our EES office is now open if you need to contact us. Phone or email is best. If you do need to come into the building, please phone the office first (250-248-8446) and someone will come out to meet you. Visitors to EES will be expected to follow the COVID-19 protocols (including being symptom free, respecting a 2 meter physical distance, and wearing a mask when physical distancing is not possible).

Planning is well underway here at EES, following the Provincial Return to School Plan.

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/covid-19-return-to-school>

In order to continue our planning, we have a few reminders for families:

- Ensure that we have all your current **contact information** (including email addresses). If you have been receiving emails from the district office, then we most likely have your email address correct in our system. It is critical that we have your email address as we will be sending specific information about your child's back-to-school plans by email.
- Our next step with planning relies on the information collected from the **district survey** that has been sent out. If you haven't done so already, please fill out the survey by tomorrow (Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>). We need this information so that we finalize our class placements and form our groups for recess breaks and special activities.  
[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=wtSAMuc3-Ue7cgV6Q2ecB\\_3D312C-ZpDpBbSw-UC0aZUQTdZUTNUS05IOU1VS0lyR09RM0ZDTEo1MS4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=wtSAMuc3-Ue7cgV6Q2ecB_3D312C-ZpDpBbSw-UC0aZUQTdZUTNUS05IOU1VS0lyR09RM0ZDTEo1MS4u)  
If you need further clarification, please see the attached link to an email sent out by Superintendent Elder.
- If your child rides the **school bus**, you need to apply for a bus pass as soon as possible (if you haven't already done so). The transportation department is working hard to plan routes based on the number of eligible and registered bus riders. If your child had a bus pass in previous years, you need to apply for a new one every year!  
<https://www.sd69.bc.ca/About/Transportation/Pages/default.aspx#/=>
- Please note that our **start and end times** of the day will be slightly different. Start time is 8:12am and dismissal will be at 1:30pm.
- As the district office has shared, students will not be attending on September 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. We will be having a "gradual entry" on September 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. You will receive an email next week to indicate which first day your child will attend (either Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> OR Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>). Students in Grades 1-7 will attend full-time starting on Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. New Kindergarten students will be contacted soon with gradual entry plans. Kindergarten students will be attending full-time starting Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. The email you will get next week will also provide you with your child's class placement as well as important information about morning drop-off routines.

Please continue to stay safe and healthy. We look forward to welcoming students back in a few weeks!

Sincerely,

Sheila Morrison, Principal