



January 2024

Welcome Back!! We are very excited to begin this second half of the 2023/2024 school year

All the best as we head into this new, exciting year of learning!



Upcoming Events:

PAC Meeting - Jan. 16 @ 5:30pm in multi purpose room

Kindergarten Registration - Jan.29 to Feb. 2

Cross Catchment Application
Deadline - Feb.23



Bell Schedule

Morning Bell: 8:45

Short Recess: 10:15 - 10:30

Long Recess: 12 - 12:30

Dismissal: 2:30

September 2024 Kindergarten Registration

If your child is turning 5 in 2024 it's time to register for kindergarten! Kindergarten registration week will begin January 29, 2024 and continue until the end of the week on February 2. Register by May 13, 2024 to secure your space at Penfield Elementary School.

This year, SD72 is offering the option of online registration. You can find instructions for the online registration [here](#).

Other methods of registration are completing a fillable PDF [Elementary Registration Form](#) and dropping it off at the Penfield School office.

Documents you will need to accompany the registration:

- *Copy of the student's birth certificate (Canadian) or proof of citizenship;*
- *Copy of front and back of the student's BC Care Card*
- *Proof of parent/guardian residency (BC Care Card, driver's license, utility bill, rental/purchase agreement)*
- *Any legal custody, access and/or guardianship documentation*
- *Any information to support special learning needs*

Out-of-Catchment Kindergarten students will be accepted at their sibling's school (without a Cross Catchment Application) provided the sibling will still be in attendance when the Kindergarten student begins attending the out-of-catchment school. Parents or legal guardians are asked to register their child for Kindergarten at the sibling's school by February 2nd.





Cross Catchment Application Information

Applications to attend a different school for the 2024/2025 school year must be submitted by 4:00pm on the last Friday of February. To request a school other than your neighbourhood catchment school, the student must be registered at their catchment school and then the application for Cross Catchment should be submitted via email to student.registration@sd72.bc.ca.

Approval will depend on space and staffing resources. Requests will also be considered based on the date and time that they are received.

Parents should note that if their application is approved, they will be responsible for providing transportation to and from the school they are applying to, in accordance with the District's operational procedures for student transportation. Parents or legal guardians may however apply to the transportation department for courtesy ridership each school year. Courtesy ridership requests are reviewed and approved on a year-to-year basis. The transportation department can be reached at 250-287-8808.

Transferring to a Different School



EMERGENCY, UNSCHEDULED AND WEATHER CLOSURES



While we try to keep schools open on every instructional day, there will be occasions when schools must temporarily close due to extreme weather, power outages or for emergency reasons. The superintendent may decide to temporarily close any or all district schools when the safety of students and staff may be compromised.

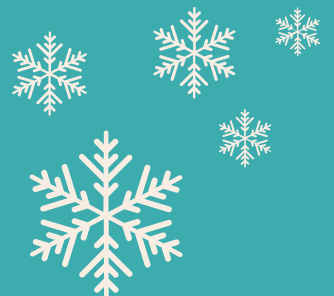
Parents, students and school district staff will be informed when schools are closed for weather or power outages through the school district's website, their school website, [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and by notifying the local media by 7:00 a.m. – at the latest. Those who have downloaded and enabled notifications from the district's [parent portal app](#), will get a notice to their cell phone as soon as the message is posted to our websites.

If there is no announcement on the school website/social media, listen to one of the local radio stations:

- 99.7 FM - The River
- 97.3 FM - The Eagle
- 98.9 FM - The Jet
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No announcements by 7:00 a.m. indicates schools are open and operating as usual.

Even if schools are open, the Campbell River School District, and our schools, respect and support parents if you feel that it is unsafe to send your child to school or wish to pick-up your child early due to potentially unsafe weather conditions. We just ask that you report your child's absence through the school's attendance line if you choose to keep your child home.



January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Pro D Day	9 Back to School	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 PAC Meeting 5:30 multi purpose room	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

**Kindergarten Registration Week**

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**

Kindergarten Registration: Jan 29 - Feb 2
Pro D Day: Feb.16
Family Day (Schools closed): Feb. 19