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ELMER ELSON ELEMENTARY

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Principal's Corner



Hello again! We are almost through September and things are moving along smoothly.

Our current enrollment is 281 students.

Our school culture team has plans to showcase our students in the front entrance. We can't wait to see their new display.

We welcome these new students to EEE: all ECS students, Sylvin Pratt, Emma Boyle and Declan Finney in grade one. Boone Anton and Chase Dutchik in grade two. Einar Buruma in grade three. Hunter Dutchik, Landon Kiyawasew, Dally Anton, Tyson Steiger and Arissa Boyle in grade four. Sydney-Rae Campsall in grade five. Jessica Steiger and Abrieal Boyle in grade six.

Yours in Education,
Nolan Andriuk

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ATTENDANCE POLICY

We require all parents to do the screening questionnaire with your children each morning. An information package has been sent home with the last newsletter with more information. Please keep it in a spot where you can refer to it when necessary.

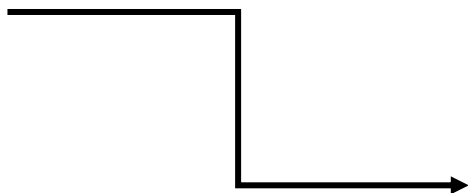
We ask you to inform the school when your child is absent.

STUDENT SAFETY

As parents, you play a key role in ensuring student safety around the school when you are dropping off or picking up your children. Please use the north side of the school for this.

Here are a few key points to ensure everyone has a safe arrival or departure.

- 1) Students and parents should cross at the crosswalks
- 2) If you park on the west side of the school towards the hospital, please walk down to the corner to cross. **Please do not walk between the buses to get to or from your vehicle, as this is unsafe.**
- 3) **Please do not park 2 or 3 deep along the road on the north side of the school.** This makes it too dangerous for the students as they are often hidden behind vehicles.



BUS ZONE

Please do not enter the bus zone between
8:30 to 9:00 a.m. as well as 3:00 to 3:20 p.m.

NGPS TECHNOLOGY ACCESS AND MAINTENANCE FEE

There is a \$31.50 Technology fee for students in grades one to six and \$15.75 for Kindergarten kids.

This mandatory fee enables schools to keep current hardware for our students.

STAFF PARKING



Each of our staff members have an assigned parking stall in the parking lot west of the school. To ensure that all staff parking stalls are available to them, please park on the north side of the school.

Of course, during the day if you stop by the school for a short period of time, you may park in front of the school. However, the bus zone must be free of all vehicles by 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

We have two parking stalls straight west of our main entrance designated for handicap parking.



Please note these dates:



September 21st	Virtual School Council via Goodle Meet @ 6:00p.m.
October 8th	Photo Day for all students

REMIND APP

Thank you to those parents who have already signed up for this app. We will be using it to remind you of school events and activities. If you have not signed up yet, you still can join. This will certainly enhance school to home communication and keep you informed about school happenings. **Enter (587) 316-2959 Text @eesch**

Classroom teachers will also have given you information for joining their classroom. Please be sure to join so you don't miss out on key information.

THINK TANK

Three years ago, our staff began to notice a decline in some student behavior. As such, we struck a committee to investigate ideas on how to proceed for this school year. Out of that work the "Think Tank" was born. In the process of our work we identified three main behaviors: Physical Aggression, Disrespect/Bullying and Disruptive/ Defiant Behavior. Students who are not meeting our behavior standards/expectations may be referred to the Think Tank. While at the Think Tank, students work on proactive measures and strategies related to a certain behavior. When the need arises, The Think Tank will be implemented during lunch recess. We saw a lot of positive gains in many students after implementing the Think Tank model.

ELMER ELSON TILL TAPE COLLECTION

You no longer have to collect till tapes and submit to the school. Go online to support the Parent Fundraising Society. Elmer Elson thanks you for your continued support!



**Support our organization
with your everyday grocery
purchases at the
Mayerthorpe Co-op.**

Register for the Keep it Local Mayerthorpe
program online at
pwcoop.ca/mayerthorpe



**SCAN
HERETO
SIGN UP
NOW!**

or request a form at the customer service desk at the Mayerthorpe Co-op

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

You can register to pay all school related fees for your child online. Please call the school if you would like assistance with this program.

To register please go to:

<https://ngps.schoolcashionline.com>

You may also find the link on the Northern Gateway web page.

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Fast. Safe. Convenient.

Register Today!

1. Create Your Profile

Go to <https://ngps.schoolcashionline.com> and click on "Get Started Today".

2. Confirm Your Email

Check your inbox for the email confirmation and click on the link inside. Sign in with your new login details.

Stay connected by selecting "Yes" to email notifications about upcoming fees.

- ☒ I want to receive email notifications for new fees assigned to my student and updates on school-related activities.

3. Add a Student

Click "Add Student" and fill in the required fields with your child's details.

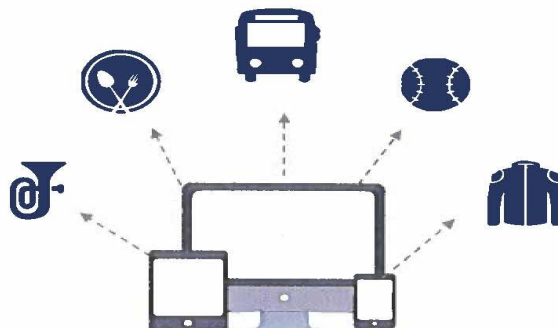
Why sign up for School Cash Online?

School Cash Online is an online parent portal that offers a safe, fast and convenient way to pay for school activity fees.

- ✓ Pay for your child's school fees online. Anytime, anywhere.
- ✓ Stop sending your child to school with money.
- ✓ Get automatic email notifications about upcoming school fees and activities.

Purchase these items and more online.

Use your computer, tablet or smartphone to register and pay online.



Which payment methods are accepted?



Credit Card

Pay with Visa or MasterCard on School Cash Online by entering your credit card number, CVV number (the three digits on the back of your card), card expiry date, and billing information.



eCheck

An electronic version of a paper check used to make payments online. Anyone with a checking or savings account can pay by eCheck on School Cash Online.



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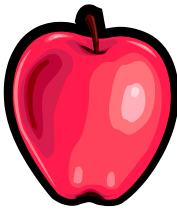
PLEASE SIGN YOUR CHILD OUT



Students who are leaving the school during the day must be signed out at the office. All students who are going home for lunch must advise their teachers of this.

If your child is not returning in the afternoon we must be informed.

applEs for EveryoneE



Our applEs for EveryoneE program is off to a great start! Students who need a snack at recess may get an apple from the office.

We thank all individuals and businesses who have contributed to our program.

Thank you to our local Co-op store for supplying us with apples this month.

IN TOWN BUS FEES



If your child is being picked up by the bus in town please be reminded that a transportation fee is required for this service. This does not apply to students that live in the Paddle Heights Trailer Park by the High School or students north of the tracks by the welding shop, but is in effect for all other students in town. The fee, set by Northern Gateway, is **\$353.00 per student, or \$177.00 for ECS. The family rate is \$883.00.**

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Please be sure to check the Elmer Elson website regularly. This is invaluable for keeping you up to date on the happenings in the school and division.

Also, be sure to check us out on Facebook. We will be using this for communicating school events all year.

we're on the web
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