



Community Connect

August 24, 2022

Welcome Back Meadow Ridge Families,

We hope you are having a wonderful and relaxing summer holiday with your family. As we prepare for your child(ren)'s return to school, we are excited to welcome you back!

Although school does not start until September, we wanted to send out a few updates and reminders for the 2022/2023 Start Up.

Attached to this email are a few items for next year:

1. Kindergarten Staggered Entry Dates and Timelines for first week
2. Grades 1-9 Staggered Entry Dates and Timelines for first week
3. A school map outlining classrooms and where they are located
4. A map of entry/exit doors

[2022 2023 Gr 1-9 Staggered Entry Information .pdf](#)

[2022 2023 Staggered Entry Kindergarten.pdf](#)

[Entrance Exit Maps.pdf](#)

[Class Maps.pdf](#)

Class Placements

We will be emailing class placements on **Monday, August 29th**. Please note that in June, teachers took considerable time ensuring classes are balanced and thought carefully about the needs of each student, including academic, peer, and social-emotional needs. One class change could potentially impact many others and it is difficult to make changes. There is a process for parents to follow when making requests, which was sent out several times in the Community Connect, our school newsletter, in April and May and can also be found on [the school's website](#).

Meadow Ridge has an experienced faculty who is dedicated to doing their best for your child. They love their students and do an amazing job working with them, and you as parents, to ensure each person succeeds. We would ask that you trust the decisions your previous teacher made with your child's placement and provide the opportunity for them to experience the class they are placed in. A child's peer group can grow and expand through this process and people often gain an appreciation for the teacher. At this time of year, we cannot accommodate any requests for teacher changes. Thank you for your continued support.

Staggered Entry

We have a staggered entry planned again this year. The plan for our first 4 days of school is attached. Due to an extended Easter break, we have had to adjust our start and end times as a school. **Classes will start at 8:40 (the first bell will ring at 8:30 am) and our dismissal time is now 3:20 pm.**

Kindergarten students attend ONE DAY only during the first week of school. Please check the attached PDF for your scheduled day.

Parent Volunteers

We cannot wait to welcome parent volunteers to MRS this year! Please contact your child's teacher for more information about this great opportunity! We would require an up-to-date police check and ensure proper forms are completed. You may get the forms from office along with a letter for a criminal record check for the vulnerable sector.

Supply Lists

School supply lists can be purchased in person at any location or online through Staples:
<https://www.staples.ca/>

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Forchuk or Mr. Skeet at 403-995-4808 or forchukr@fsd38.ab.ca or skeetb@fsd38.ab.ca

We look forward to having a successful year with our Meadow Ridge families and students. We are so excited to get to see everyone soon.

We look forward to another wonderful year at Meadow Ridge School,

Rebecca Forchuk
Principal

Brad Skeet
Vice Principal

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday, August 24th – Office open from 9:00 am – 12 pm and 1:00 -4:00 pm

Thursday, August 25th – Office is closed from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Monday, August 29th – Class Placements Emailed to parents

Wednesday, August 31st – Bus Pass pick up at office from 1:00 to 3:45 pm

Monday, Sept 5th – Labour Day – NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, Sept 6th Last names A – L attend school

Wednesday, Sept 7th – Last names M – Z attend school

Thursday, Sept 8th – Regular attendance for all students except Kindergarten

Monday, Sept 19th – Life Touch Photos for M/W Kindergarten, Grades 1 – 5
Tuesday, Sept 20th – Life Touch Photos for T/Th Kindergarten, Grades 6 - 9
Thursday, Sept 22nd – Welcome Back BBQ/Meet the Teacher (4:30 – 6:30 pm)
Friday, Sept. 23rd – Professional Learning Day: NO SCHOOL
Friday, Sept 30th – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation: NO SCHOOL