

Poplar Ridge Elementary School



August 30, 2021 Newsletter



Principal's Message

Welcome to all our Poplar Ridge students and families! It is so hard to believe that summer has come and gone so quickly. I hope that everyone had a chance to enjoy time with family and friends and to take advantage of the amazing weather we had. Since June many things have changed for us. Please see below for the details.

Reconfiguration of Classes

The first big change is that we have had to solve a good challenge- increased enrollment! As a result of more students coming in, particularly in the grade 1, 2 and 3 classes, we have had to reconfigure our classes. Below is the new configuration for this year. I have already personally spoken to parents of students affected. If you haven't received a call, your child is with the same teacher stated on your report card.

Kindergarten	Mrs. Lidgren use the north door
Grade 1	Mrs. Warder use the south door
Grade 2	Mrs. Galenza use the north door
Grade 2/3	Mrs. Klumpenhower use the south door
Grade 3/4	Ms. Reed use the north door
Grade 5	Mr. Pickering & Mrs. Haspect use the west door
Grade 6	Mrs. Sargent use the west door

Students in grade 2, 3 and 4 will be with their peers for Social Studies and Science classes.

Covid Guidelines Update

We can look forward to some relaxed Covid guidelines at this time, which is wonderful. Please take the time to review the changes carefully. Overall, we are moving to a more 'normal' year!

What's the Same?

- All students on buses, must wear masks until we hear differently from the Chief Medical Officer
- Student drop off and pick up routine is exactly the same (except buses unload/load on the east side of parking lot) Supervision has been adjusted for this change
- Our start and end times to the day stay the same. Student drop off is **no earlier than 8:30am** and pick up is 3:05pm
- If your child will be late, call the office when you arrive and Ms. Salomons will meet them at the front door.
- All students sanitize upon entry to the bus, into the school and into the classrooms
- Students should stay home when sick and will be sent home when they have Covid symptoms (we use the AHS Checklist)
- Parents and visitors are only allowed into the school by appointment
- We cannot have full school assemblies, but can bring them in in smaller groups

Dates to Remember – Mark your Calendar

First Day of School —Sept 1
First Day of Kindergarten—Sept 2
No School (Labor Day)—Sept 6
School Photos—Sept 23
No School—Sept 24
Kindergarten Friday—Oct 1
No School—Oct 8
No School (Thanksgiving)—Oct 11

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What's Changed?

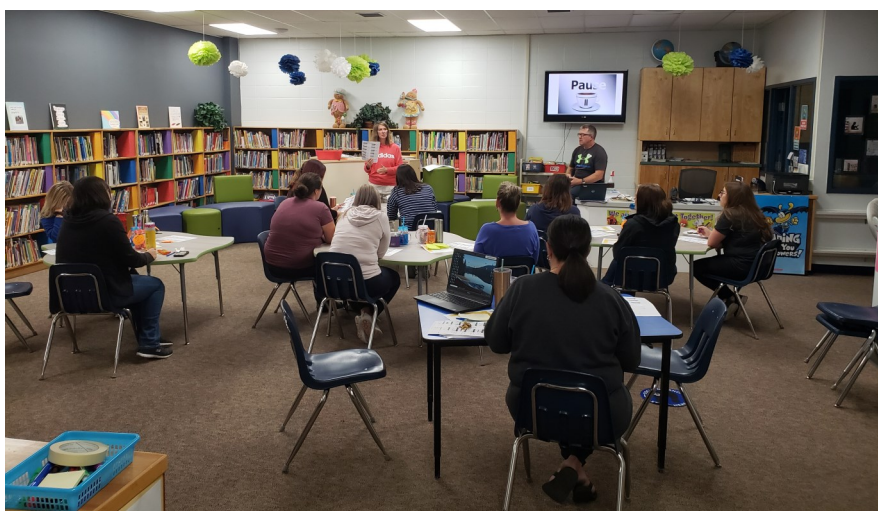
- Students and staff do not have to wear masks in school or on the playground. We fully support those who choose to wear them.
- We do not have to cohort students at this time. This means that students can interact across grades in the school and on the playground
- Students will be allowed to play outside from 8:30 am drop off until the 8:40 am bell rather than go straight to their class upon arrival. **Supervision begins at 8:30 am**
- All students will eat lunch in their rooms first and all go out and play at the same time
- All music and PE activities will resume as normal
- We can offer clubs and extracurricular activities and run field trips

As we all know, these guidelines are subject to change and we will deal with it as it comes. As always, safety of our students and staff is our first priority. If you have any questions, feel free to give us a call.

We are planning on sending an additional newsletter in the first few weeks of September to provide more information on important things like volunteering in the school. If you want to get started on the required paperwork, please see our [website](#).

We look forward to welcoming back our students and families on Wednesday, September 1st! Enjoy your last few days of summer!

Carolynne



Our wonderful staff has been working hard to get the school ready for everyone on September 1

Timetable	Poplar Ridge School 2021—2022
8:40 am	First Bell
8:45 am to 10:30 am	Periods 1 to 3
10:30 am to 10:45 am	Recess (Whole School)
10:45 am to 12:15 pm	Periods 4 to 6
12:15 pm to 12:35 pm	Lunch Break (Whole School)
12:35 pm to 12:55 pm	Lunch Recess (Whole School)
12:55 pm to 3:05 pm	Periods 7 to 10
3:05 pm	Dismissal (Whole School)



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2021-2022 Student Attendance Traditional Calendar - Poplar Ridge School

AUGUST 2021						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Aug 27 Focused PD Day
Aug 30/31 School Organizational Days

FEBRUARY 2022						
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27	28					

Feb 4 Kindergarten Friday
Feb 11 Collaborative Day - No School
Feb 21 Family Day
Feb 21-25 Winter Break - No School
Feb 24-25 Teachers' Convention

SEPTEMBER 2021						
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Sept 1 First Day of School (Grades 1 to 6)
Sept 2 Staggered Entry for Kindergarten
Sept 6 Labour Day - No School
Sept 7 First Full Day of Kindergarten
Sept 24 Focused PD Day - No School

MARCH 2022						
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Mar 4 Non Instructional Day - No School
Mar 11 Kindergarten Friday
Mar 25 Non Instructional Day - No School

OCTOBER 2021						
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Oct 1 Kindergarten Friday
Oct 8 Non Instructional Day - No School
Oct 11 Thanksgiving Day
Oct 22 Collaborative Day - No School

APRIL 2022						
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Apr 1 Kindergarten Friday
Apr 15 Good Friday
Apr 18 Easter Monday
Apr 18-22 Spring Break - No School

NOVEMBER 2021						
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Nov 11 Remembrance Day - No School
Nov 11-12 Fall Break - No School
Nov 19 Kindergarten Friday
Nov 26 Collaborative Day - No School

MAY 2022						
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May 6 Collaborative - No School
May 13 Kindergarten Friday
May 20 Focused PD Day (TPGP Day) No School
May 23 Victoria Day
May 27 Kindergarten Friday

DECEMBER 2021						
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Dec 10 Non Instructional - No School
Dec 17 Kindergarten Friday
Dec 20-31 Christmas Break

JUNE 2022						
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Jun 3 Non Instructional Day - No School
Jun 24 Kindergarten Friday
Jun 28 Students Last Day
Jun 29 School Organizational Day

JANUARY 2022						
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Jan 3 Students Return
Jan 14 Collaborative Day - No School
Jan 21 Kindergarten Friday
Jan 31 School Organizational Day - No School

LEGEND	
	School Planning Day
	Focused P.D. Day
	Holiday
	Non-Instructional Day
	Kindergarten Friday
	Significant Start and End Dates
	Breaks
	Collaborative Days - No school for students. One Focused PD Day will be designated as the TPGP

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