

| agenda | Elbow Park Principal Report

May 8, 2025 – 6:30 p.m. [Click here to join the meeting](#)

1. Next Year Budget & Staffing –

a. Current Year:

- i. 232 students
- ii. 12.3 teachers + 1 EA (25 hours) + 1 EA (20 hours) + School Asst in Kindergarten (15 hours)
- iii. **Current (2024–25) configuration:**
 1. Kindergarten: 29 students
 2. Grades 1–2: three classes of 23
 3. Grades 3–4: three classes of 23
 4. Grades 5–6: three classes of 23

b. Next year

- i. 233 students
- ii. 12.4 teachers + 1 EA (25 hours) + 1 EA (20 hours) + ECP in Kindergarten (15 hours)
- iii. Grade Counts:

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| • Kindergarten – 23 | • Grade 4 – 34 |
| • Grade 1 – 37 | • Grade 5 – 34 |
| • Grade 2 – 34 | • Grade 6 – 32 |
| • Grade 3 – 39 | • Total = 233 |

- iv. **If current structure were carried into 2025–26**, we would see class sizes of 21 in Grades 5–6 and 24 in Grades 1–2.

v. **New configuration for 2025–26 will be:**

1. **Kindergarten:** 23 students
2. **Grade 1:** two classes of 19 students
3. **Grades 2–3:** three classes of 25 students
4. **Grades 4–5:** three classes of 23 students
5. **Grade 6:** one class of 32 students

vi. **Note:**

1. Teachers will be creating *new* class lists next year, rather than carrying forward existing ones.
2. We will continue to consider friend requests (an online form will be shared later in May).
3. The new Alberta curriculum ensures all students receive complete instruction in their grade-level outcomes, even in combined classes.

c. Class Placements:

- i. Parent requests - email jwfech@cbe.ab.ca. Class placement considerations re: social-emotional and/or academic concerns
- ii. Friend suggestions for classes next year – parent online form email to follow AGM – **DUE: Sun, June 1 (midnight)**

d. Historical student count & staffing:

- i. 2018: 203 students = 11.5 teachers
- ii. 2019: 209 students = 10.7 teachers + 1 SA
- iii. 2020: 222 students = 11.3 teachers + 1 SA
- iv. 2021: 202 students = 11.7 teachers + 1 SA
- v. 2022: 217 students = 12.3 teachers + 1 EA
- vi. 2023: 210 students = 12.0 teachers + 1 EA
- vii. 2024: 232 students = 12.3 teachers + 2 EA's + 1 SA
- viii. 2025: 233 students = 12.4 teachers + 2 EA's + 1 SA

2. Next Year Residency Budget

- a. Selection Process / Criteria:
 - i. CBE Values (inclusive, equity, students come first, learning is central purpose, public education serves the common good)
 - ii. EPS School Development Plan Goals (Literacy, Numeracy, Wellness)
 - iii. Provide a variety of unique experiences for students
- b. Programming balance between instructional time and curricular outcomes
- c. Parent & Teacher Input

3. Before & After School Care: Child's Play

- a. Our program opens at 7am and closes at 6pm. We are open 8am – 5pm on Professional Development days.
- b. Registration is currently open for next school year. We have full time and drop in options available. If you would like to register, please contact Tara @ tara@childsplaycanada.ca or 403-669-2072.

4. Current / Upcoming Events:

- a. May 9 - Scratch coding (gr.5-6) U of C Minds in Motion
- b. May 23 – Teacher's Pet Science in Kindergarten
- c. May 28 – Grade 6 Written ELAL PAT
- d. Sexual Health Unit in Wellness for Gr.4-6 – parent opt-out letter coming home
- e. Ultimate Frisbee PE Residency (week of May 26)
- f. Parent Appreciation Celebration – June 6 (10:00-11:00) **RSVP to follow**
- g. Kindergarten Student Orientation June 12 (9-10 a.m.)
- h. Grade 6 Provincial Achievement Tests:
 - i. Math Pt. A Calculations – June 13
 - ii. LA – June 16
 - iii. Math Pt. B (problem solving) – June 17
 - iv. Social Studies – June 18
- i. Friday, June 20:
 - i. Indigenous People's Day
 - ii. **Activity Day – Parent Volunteers Needed to run stations: 2-3 per homeroom**
 - iii. **BBQ Fun Lunch (11:00 – noon) – Organizer: Cam Inglis**
- j. Tues, June 24 – Student Variety Show (1:30 – 3:00) **Parents welcome.**
- k. Wed., June 25 – Report Cards available online (only until July 30)
- l. Thurs., June 26 - Grade 6 Farewell Ceremony (10:00-11:30)
- m. **Muffin Mixer Parent Social on Sept. 2, 2025 (7:30 a.m.) - Volunteers Required**

5. Next meeting – Sept. 11, 2025