

| agenda | Elbow Park Principal Report

Jan. 22, 2026 – 1:30 p.m. [Click here to join the meeting](#)

1. **Welcome: Rideau Park Principal Andrea Riquelme** re: Jr. High grade 7 transition
2. **Staffing**
 - On medical leaves: Mr. Daga (Mrs. Schmlaz) and Mrs. Hutchinson (Mrs. Riegel)
 - Ms. Kunerth – Gr. 6 math and reassigned to Gr.4 & 5 Math (new straight-grade configuration)
 - Student count dropped in Aug/Sept and we had hoped for supportive discretionary funding that we did not triage for, therefore:
 - Reduction in EA Support Staff hours (5)
 - Laid off our Kindergarten ECP (Ms. Nazia) and lost 5th Lunch Supervisor position now being covered by Fech and Warburton (Backwell's class)
3. **Registration**
 - Registered as of Jan. 21, 2026:
 - x16 Kindergarten registered – CBE projected 24 for Sept 2026
 - Grades 1-6: x3
 - Projected 225 (+/-5) 2026-27 enrolment. Current January enrolment is 227.
4. **Centennial & Opera –**
 - Needing parent volunteers to support Opera production (sets & costumes)
 - Centennial classroom projects being planned alongside opera production
 - School Newspaper
 - Centennial landmark design
5. **PAT Results**
 - PAT Results from June 2025:
 - All of our students achieved “acceptable” (grade level)
 - Levels of “excellence” achieved at Grade 6:
 - **Language Arts: 31.6%** compared to provincial average of 12.7%
 - **Writing: 19.4%** compared to 8.9%
 - **Reading: 58.3%** compared to 29.4%
 - **Mathematics (new curriculum): 57.9%** compared to 15.1%
 - Cut score on this test for “acceptable” (grade level) standard was 38%
 - Cut score for “excellent” was 69%
 - Only 15% of students in the province scored higher than 69% on this test
 - **Social Studies: 44.7%** compared to 18.5%
 - Science was not written due to new curriculum
6. **AEAS Results from Spring 2025 – we had 16 parents complete the survey (March 2025)**
 - The percentage of parents who agree that “*students are engaged in their learning at school*” dropped significantly from 83% to 72%. This is in contrast to the number of students who felt

engaged increased from 63% to 69% (this latest result matches results in the previous 4 years and matches the provincial norm).

- The percentage of teachers, parents and students who agree that students have access to the appropriate supports and services at school all declined.
- Percentage of parent satisfaction that students demonstrate the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary for lifelong learning declined significantly from 74% to 48% (provincial average is 75%)

7. AB Ed Assurance Survey (AEAS) - Gr. 4-6 (Survey opens Jan. 26, 2026)

- a. The Alberta Assurance Survey gives your school, your school authority and your provincial government important information about the quality of education your child is receiving. Results are used to find out what's working and identify areas for improvement.
- b. Advanis Inc. has been contracted to administer the telephone/online surveys. Grades 4-6 Parents/Guardians can complete the survey online by going to <https://public.education.alberta.ca/APOS/>
 - i. To access the online survey, parents/guardians need to use the 8-character random-access-code on the insert mailed from Alberta Education
 - ii. Deadline for parent survey completion: **March 6, 2026**
- c. In the event a parent/guardian has misplaced their survey package mailed to them by Alberta Education, direct them to contact the System Assurance Branch using the contact:
 - i. 310-0000 (Toll-free within Alberta)
 - ii. E-mail: EDC.SystemAssurance@gov.ab.ca
 - iii. provide the name of the school, school authority (Calgary School District) and grade of the student
- d. **If a question is not applicable or if the respondent does not feel comfortable answering**, they should:
 - i. leave the response blank or fill in the **circle under "N/A"**.
 - ii. A blank response or response under the "N/A" category does not count against the school

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