

ST. ELIZABETH SETON SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new school year! We are looking forward to meeting our new students and welcoming back our returning students. We understand that with some of the new health and safety guidelines, this year will look different than what we have experienced in the past. Please know we are working hard to ensure your child's safety as well as helping with the 'newness' of school. We will do our best to ease your child into their new classroom in a safe but caring way. Our division theme is, 'Trust in the Lord with all your heart' and we will rely on this theme to guide our school year.

We thank you for your patience as we navigate the new circumstances and protocols while offering your child the opportunity to grow and flourish as they enter school. Below you will see the staggered entry schedule for the first 6 days of school.

Pre-Kindergarten

Please note that the children will attend for their entire morning program assigned following their last name staggered entry days. The times listed below are for the Staggered Days Only.

Morning Program:

Start time: 8:55 am End time: 11:40 am

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
31	1	2	3	4
Last Names A-K	Last Names L-Z	Last Names A-K	Last Names L-Z	No Students - Pre-K PLC Day
7	8	9	10	11
No School	No Students - Teachers will be reaching out to parents via phone call to touch base about your child	All students attend at Regular Start and End Times 8:45 - 11:45 am	All students attend at Regular Start and End Times 8:45 - 11:45 am	No Pre-K Programming as per usual calendar

Kindergarten

Please note that due to every other day programming, the divisional staggered entry schedule will not work so the following schedule should be followed. The information you received in June regarding the Parent Information Evening, scheduled for June 27th at 7:00 pm has been canceled.

Please note that for our Staggered Entry Days the

• AM grouping listed below will attend from: 8:55 am to 11:20 am

• PM grouping listed below will attend from: 12:55 pm to 3:20 pm

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
31 - M/W Group	1- T/TH Group	2 - M/W Group	3 - T/TH Group	4 - M/W Group
AM: A-K PM: L-Z	AM: A-K PM: L-Z	AM: A-K PM: L-Z	AM: A-K PM: L-Z	AM: A-K PM: L-Z
7	8 - T/TH Group	9 - M/W Group	10 - T/TH Group	11 - M/W Group
No School	AM: A-K PM: L-Z	All students attend at Regular Start and End Times	All students attend at Regular Start and End Times	All students attend at Regular Start and End Times
		8:45 am - 3:30 pm	8:45 am - 3:30 pm	8:45 am - 3:30 pm

Grades 1 - 5

Students will attend their staggered entry days according to their last names. School times for these days will be the same as for a normal school day (8:45 am - 3:30 pm)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
31 - M/W Group	1- T/TH Group	2 - M/W Group	3 - T/TH Group	4 - M/W Group
Last Names A-K	Last Names L-Z	Last Names A-K	Last Names L-Z	Last Names A-K
7	8 - T/TH Group	9 - M/W Group	10 - T/TH Group	11 - M/W Group
No School	Last Names L-Z	All Students	All Students	All Students

Your child's teacher will make contact with you by the end of the day on **August 28th** to let you know specifics for the start of school, including the required supplies for your child's first day. They will also indicate where their students will line up outside for entry into the school. Although we know that this might be difficult, it will be at this outside location where you will say goodbye to your child before they enter school as parents will not be permitted to enter the school to align with the safety quidelines. While we understand that this might not have been what you

envisioned for your child's first school day experience, we thank you for working alongside us to ensure that the safety of all students and staff in our school is a priority.

We also remind you that masks are not mandatory in school for students in Pre-K to Grade 3, however are strongly encouraged if your child will be riding the bus to and from school.

Please familiarize yourself with the <u>RDCRS Parent/Student Handbook</u> as it contains very important information and procedures to ensure a safe school year for all of our students. This document is being updated as we learn new information or as directives from our government or Chief Medical Officer change. We would also encourage you to visit the <u>Red Deer Catholic YouTube Channel</u> as it has many helpful videos.

Please do not hesitate to contact our school office if you have any additional questions or concerns.

Yours in Catholic Education,

The Staff of St. Elizabeth Seton School