



Uncie's Update

June 8, 2018

Important Dates

June 11	Gr. 6 DARE Grad
June 12	Gr. 2 & 3 Field Trip to Telus World of Science
June 12	Bus to Swim
June 14	Grade 5 Field Trip to Elk Island Park
June 15	Talent Show 12:15 pm
June 15	Beach Day
June 17	Happy Father's Day!
June 18	Gr. 1 Field Trip to Telus World of Science
June 18	Grade 6 PAT Part B Language Arts
June 19	Grade 6 PAT Math
June 19	Last Bus to Swim
June 20	Grade 6 PAT Social Studies
June 21	National Aboriginal Day
June 21	Field Trip to the Kinsmen Pool Grades 1-6
June 22	Grade 6 PAT Science
June 22	Kindergarten Year End Celebration beginning at 10:15 am
June 25	Gr 6 Celebration at Camp Van ES
June 26	Sports Day 12:00-2:15pm
June 27	Dress Fancy Day!
June 27	Celebration Ceremonies <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grades 1-3 at 8:00 am• Grades 4-6 at 12:15 pm
June 28	Last Day of School for Grades 1-6 students

Principal's Message

Wow, it's June and we are heading into the home stretch! As usual, there will be a flurry of fun and educational activities this month.

We started with Uncas Canada Day, and enjoyed a pancake breakfast and wore our best Red & White!

As stated at our PAC meeting in May, there are changes in our staffing for next year, and I have updates to share since that meeting. We have two staff members retiring this year.

Congratulations to Ms. Hayes, and I'll pat myself on the back as well as we are both celebrating the end of our teaching careers. Mr. Epp is moving on to teach at SouthPointe School in Fort Saskatchewan after six years at Uncas. Mr. Cooper will be a counsellor at Salisbury Composite High School in Sherwood Park, and Ms. Fedor is extending her leave for one more year.

Rejoining our staff will be Mrs. Chabot, and new to our staff will be Mr. Brett Regher in grade six and Mrs. Diana Graziano as our counsellor, who join Mr. TJ Kennerd, our new principal. If you were at our Pancake Breakfast, you would have seen Mr. Kennerd helping at the grill. We will have our new staff members introduce themselves to the Uncas Community in the first newsletter of 2018-19.



In June we share classroom configuration and associated staffing information for the upcoming school year. Based upon current projections for student enrollment at this time, Uncas School in 2018-19 will deploy staff accordingly:

There will be one section of ECS.

We will accommodate the large number of Division One students with a grade one room (Mrs. Wyllie), a grade one, two combined classroom (Mrs. Chabot), and a grade two class (Mrs. Stokes).

There will be one class in each of grade three (Miss Wiley), and grade four (Mrs. Hart).

We will have three senior classrooms, with a grade 5 (Mrs. Hurl), a grade five, six combined class (Mrs. Soltys), and grade 6 (Mr. Regher).

The teachers will collaborate in assigning students to create the optimal classroom combinations for the combined classrooms according to gender, academics, and socialization.

Families will be informed of the placement of their child via note with their report card.

Have a great June and hopefully we will see you at school or on a field trip in the days ahead!

Please keep our dress code in mind as the weather heats up!

School is the students' place of work and they are expected to dress accordingly. Clothing must be appropriate for a conservative school setting.

This includes: T-Shirts/tops and pants that cover the midriff, t-shirts/tops must completely cover any undergarment front and back, and including undergarment straps. No spaghetti straps allowed. Appropriate hem (skirts/shorts) lengths to the end of the thumbs when arms are held straight down along the sides of the legs, and shirts with appropriate sayings or logos.

Dates for PATs

June 18	Grade 6 PAT Part B Language Arts
June 19	Grade 6 PAT Math
June 20	Grade 6 PAT Social Studies
June 22	Grade 6 PAT Science

All PATs start at 9:00 am. Please ensure your child has a good sleep, a nutritious breakfast, and arrives on time the day of the PATs.

Report Cards

Report cards will be given out on Thursday, June 28 at 2:30 pm and this will be the last day of school for our students. If parents are leaving early for holidays, we will send out report cards in the mail.



**Please remember:
There will be
No Hot Lunch
in the month of June**

Kindergarten Registrations

We are still accepting kindergarten registrations. If you know of anyone with kindergarten age children, please pass this information on to them. Please visit the EIPS website and register under the New Student Registration.

Field Trips

Many classrooms have field trips booked for the month of June.

Each teacher will provide individual information for these classroom activities. Thank you to our Parent Advisory Council for continuing the tradition of helping to fund one field trip for each class again this year!



Lost and Found

There are many items in our lost and found. Items will be displayed June 11 to June 28. Teachers will be walking all students by the tables during this time. Any items not claimed by, June 28 will be disposed of. Please come and check the lost and found for any items you are missing. Thank you.



Fee Schedule for 2018/2019

To assist you in planning for the fall, there are some fees you need to keep in mind.

ECS Fees:

Noon Supervision	\$35.00
Supplies	\$25.00
Field Trip	<u>\$40.00</u>
Total	100.00

Grade 1-3 Fees:

Noon Supervision	\$70.00
X-Country skiing	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total	\$80.00

Grade 4-6 Fees:

Noon Supervision	\$70.00
Downhill skiing	<u>\$20.00</u>
Total	\$90.00

We had sent out an agenda survey asking parents if they wanted to purchase an agenda from the school. If you indicated that you would purchase one from the school, a \$6.00 fee will be added to your student's school fees for purchasing that agenda from the school.

All fees are due the end of September. Please remember that if there are extenuating circumstances that make it difficult to pay by the deadline, please call the principal to discuss other options of payment.



News From The Library

The end of the school year is coming, so it is time to bring those overdue books back to the library! All books are due June 14, so please settle any fines and bring back any overdue books before then. In fact, we will be having a contest and the first class to bring back all their books by June 14 will get a pizza party! Let's see which class can bring in all their books first.

Happy Reading,

Miss L. Gamache

Coming Soon: School Supply lists for the 2018-19 school year

New next year, Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) is adopting a Divisionwide school-supply list to lift some of the financial burden from families. Each grade will now have a standardized list of required supplies to complete the year to ensure families aren't purchasing materials in excess of what is being used in the classroom. The grade-specific lists are posted to the school website and will remain throughout the summer months.

Tools for School

Uncas Elementary has once again partnered with the United Way for the 2018-19 Tools for School campaign. Annually, Tools for School provides backpacks and school supplies to students in Kindergarten through Grade 12 whose families have limited resources. If you're a parent or know a parent who needs access to the program, contact our school directly. We'll discretely provide the backpack to your child at the beginning of the 2018-19 school year.

Alternatively, if you'd like to donate to the program, you can pick up few extra supplies when you're out shopping for back to school. Drop-off boxes are located at various businesses in the community during the summer months—including Staples and the Central Office at Elk Island Public Schools. All supplies donated within our community are invested back into our region.

For more information about Tools for School, contact the school office or call the Central Office at 780-464-3477.

Uncas Out of School Care

Uncas Out of School Care is accepting registrations for the upcoming school year of 2018-2019.

We provide before and after school care and full time care for Kindergarten children including non-school days. Additionally, we provide summer care for any children aged 5 to 12. The program is not only for Uncas Elementary School students – we have permission to accept any child from any school that may not provide out of school care.

For more information please contact Anna at 780-297-0023 or email at a.m.groszek@gmail.com



Little Elk Island Adventure: Registration

Elk Island Public Schools is once again running Little Elk Island Adventure, a fun and informative program for *first-time school bus riders*.

Annually, Student Transportation offers the Little Elk Island Adventure to new riders and their parents. The program's aim is to help ease any anxieties a family may have about riding the bus before even starting school. Through a series of activities, riders learn about: school bus safety, danger zones, tips on boarding and how to sit properly on the bus. After that, both the children and parents hop on the bus to practice what they've learned and then venture out on a short ride.

The Little Elk Island Adventure is for *first-time school bus riders* entering the 2018-19 school year. Sessions and times are available at these locations:

Location	Date	Time
EIPS Central Office	August 21	6 p.m.
EIPS Central Office	August 23	10 a.m.
EIPS Central Office	August 23	6 p.m.
EIPS Central Office	August 27	6 p.m.
EIPS Central Office	August 29	6 p.m.
SouthPointe School	August 28	6 p.m.
Mundare School	August 28	10 a.m.

EIPS Central Office is located at 683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park

SouthPointe School is located at 11 SouthPointe Blvd., Fort Saskatchewan

Mundare School is located at 5201 Sawchuk St., Mundare

Space is limited and pre-registration is required. To register for this year's Little Elk Island Adventure, visit

<https://goo.gl/forms/cqYb15mBLAspUJ1W2>.

More information regarding busing for Kindergarten students can be found at:

www.eips.ca/transportation/kindergarten-busing-faq.

Summer Hours at Elk Island Public Schools

Throughout the summer break, Uncas Elementary will be closed and will reopen on August 27, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. If you have any school-related questions or concerns while the school is closed, contact the Central Office at Elk Island Public School—the office is open all summer to complete year-end activities and prepare for the 2018-19 school year.

EIPS Central Office Summer Hours (July and August)

Open: Monday to Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Phone 780-464-3477

Address 683 Wye Rd.,
Sherwood Park

Statutory Holidays

Closed: Monday, July 2 - Canada Day

Closed: Monday, August 6 - Heritage Day

NOTE: Student Transportation will also remain open during the summer months and operate during the same hours as Central Office. Student Transportation can't accept in-person transportation payments on the days it's closed.



2017-18 EIPS Parent Survey Results Report

The results are now available for the 2017-18 EIPS Parent Survey conducted in March. Thank you to all families who took the time to share their feedback with the Division. The survey included 20 questions related to the three priorities outlined in the EIPS 2015-18 Three-Year Education Plan:

- Priority 1: Promote growth and success for all students
- Priority 2: Enhance high-quality learning and working environments
- Priority 3: Enhance public education through effective engagement, partnerships and communication

The overall Division results represent 2,918 responses from parents and guardians across EIPS, which is an increase from 2,678 responses the previous year.

The feedback gathered will help EIPS schools and the Division measure its progress toward meeting the priorities and goals outlined in the EIPS 2015-18 Three-Year Education Plan and develop strategies to better serve students and the wider community moving forward.

Complete Parent Survey results for the Division are available by visiting www.eips.ca/about-us/planning-and-results/parent-survey.

Parent Survey results are available by visiting uncas.ca

Student Transportation Services for 2018-19



Planning to use Student Transportation in the 2018-19 school year? If so, make sure your child is registered so Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) can plan routes and send your child a bus pass before the first day of school.

All students who indicated needing transportation services through the pre-enrolment process are now registered. Those families have also received tentative route schedules and invoices—all fees are due June 30, 2018.

For those students who didn't indicate needing transportation service through the pre-enrolment process and want to now register, simply contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151 or email st@eips.ca.

For more information about EIPS Student Transportation visit www.eips.ca/transportation.

NOTE: Fees can be paid online using the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) or in-person at the Student Transportation office—683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park. The office will remain open during the summer months operating during the same hours as Central Administration.



Share your Thoughts: Provincewide Student Transportation survey now open

Currently, Alberta Education is conducting a survey regarding student transportation. Parents, school authorities and stakeholders are asked to take the survey. The feedback received will help determine if changes need to be made to the distance criteria, mandated service levels and the safety considerations. When completing the survey keep in mind the government has said there is no more money for Student Transportation, which means if something new is funded something else may be lost. **The survey closes June 15, 2018.**

To take the survey and learn more visit www.eips.ca.

Provincial Curriculum Parent Information Sessions

The provincial government and its partners are requesting parent and guardian feedback on the draft K-4 provincial curriculum. Twenty face-to-face meetings will be held in school communities across Alberta from **May 31 to June 14, 2018**. Each session is limited to 100 participants.

Visit www.eips.ca for more information about session dates and registration details.



Note from Strathcona County

Strathcona County is beginning the design phase for future upgrades to Township Road 524 from Highway 630 to Range Road 213, as well as Range Road 213 from Township Road 524 to Highway 630. Upgrades will include road widening, better sightlines and improved access to subdivisions.

As we progress with design plans for this project, we would like to invite you to an open house, where you can learn more and ask any questions you may have.

Please drop in at our Open House on:

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Antler Lake Uncas Community Hall

1A 52343 Range Road 211, Antler Lake

If you are unable to attend, information will be available on the Strathcona County website after the open house: strathcona.ca/twp524

We thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to improve Strathcona County's roadways.

