



East Lake School 2024-25

Some key information to get started

East Lake School

- Pre-K to Grade 6
- 3 programs of choice
 - French Immersion
 - Pre-School Intervention
 - Christian
- Largest elementary school in RVS and Southern AB
- 960 students (and counting!)



Staggered Entry for Students

Tuesday, Sept 3	Wednesday, Sept 4	Thursday, Sept 5	Friday, Sept 6
Grade 5 and 6 students attend	Grade 3 and 4 students attend	Grade 1 and 2 students attend	All Students Attend (note school ends at 12:50pm on Fridays)
Students in grades 1-4 remain at home.	Students in grades 1, 2, 5 and 6 remain at home.	Students in grades 3-6 remain at home.	

Our staggered entry allows students to get to know our building and some of the routines in a quieter setting. With 960 students, it is very easy to feel overwhelmed, even when the school is familiar.

BUS ROUTES

- If your child rides a bus to and from school, RVS will contact you with a bus route number (ie 47, 114, 251, etc). East Lake School does not coordinate bussing.
- We are primarily a bused school, with 15 buses dropping off and picking up students each day.
- Our BUS LANE is for buses and our families with students in the PIP program. Please **do not** enter the bus lane to drop off or pick up your child. Safety is our priority

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD KNOWS WHICH BUS ROUTE HE/SHE RIDES.

WRITE THIS ROUTE NUMBER ON YOUR CHILD'S BUS PASS. It makes finding a lost bus much easier at the end of the day.

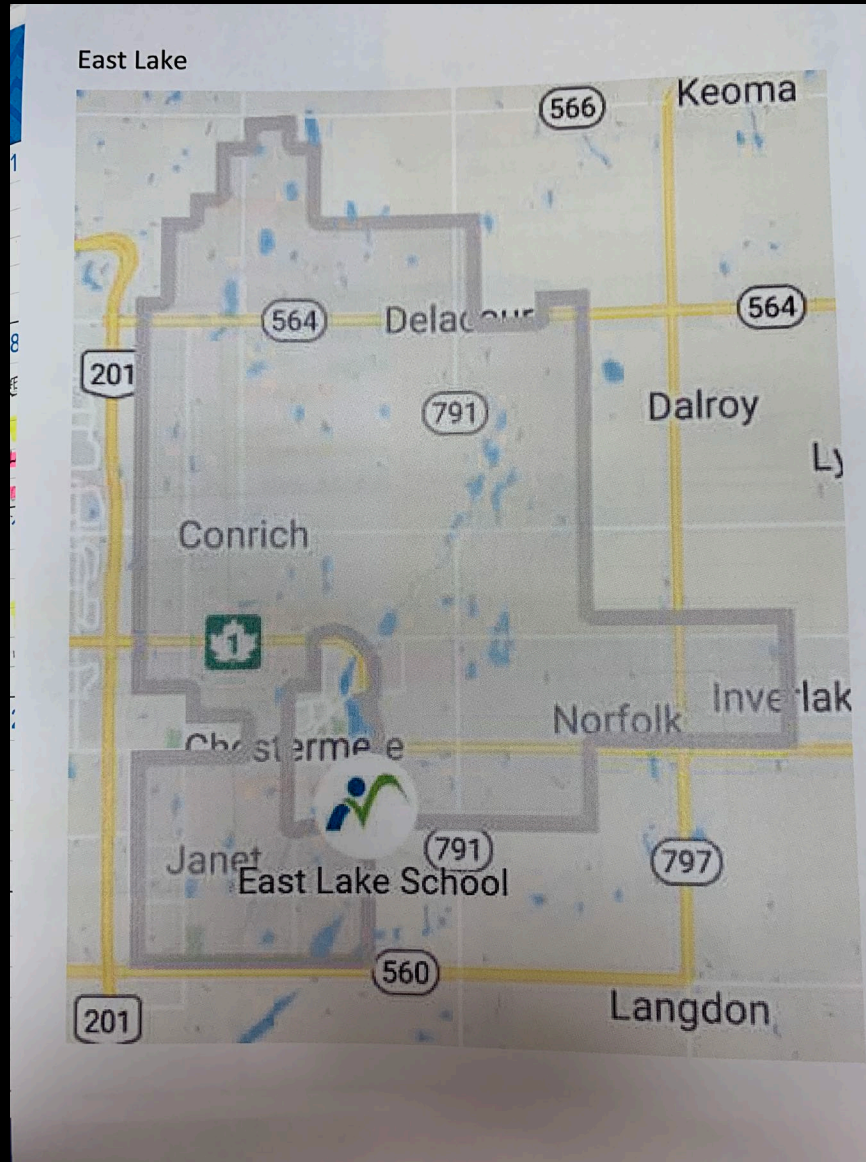
Mission and Vision at East Lake

Vision:

- At East Lake School we aspire to be brave problem solvers who embrace challenges, explore possibilities and grow through creative and innovative learning experiences.

Mission:

- Inspiring learners to set goals, persevere, and find success in the emerging process of learning.



Where do our students live?

- East Lake serves the rural population around Chestermere.
- Our students also come from the communities of Kinniburgh, Chelsea, Dawson's Landing, South Shores and Waterford.
- French Immersion and Christian students may live outside our catchment area.

We are the EAST LAKE EAGLES. WE S.O.A.R.!

- S = Safe
- O = Organized
- A = Accountable
- R = Respectful



Students are recognized for SOAR-ing behaviour with a GOTCHA from our GOTCHA GUYS.

We are a PBIS School.

- Positive Behaviour Intervention Strategies (PBIS) are used in all we do.
- Expected behaviours are TAUGHT and REINFORCED throughout the whole school.
- We have PBIS lessons for
 - Hallways
 - Recess
 - Lunchtime
 - Bus
 - Assemblies



Eagles SOAR in the *CLASSROOM*

Safe

HANDS, FEET & BODY TO SELF
STAY IN MY OWN SPACE
FOLLOW SAFETY PROCEDURES



Organized

FOLLOW DIRECTIONS
FINISH ALL OF MY WORK
BE PREPARED TO LEARN

Accountable

STICK WITH THE TASK
ALWAYS DO MY BEST
ASK FOR WHAT I NEED



Respectful

USE KIND AND SAFEWORDS
HELP OTHERS
LISTEN TO EACH OTHER

Each PBIS lesson has an accompanying Matrix.

- This is the CLASSROOM matrix.
- Reviewing the expectations for all common and shared areas on a regular basis is important.
- Common language at school is very helpful



Class Lists

With so much construction in our catchment area, our class lists are being added to daily.

When we place students into a class, we consider many factors: academic, social-emotional, behavioural needs, and strengths for each student. We also look globally at a class cohort. We then make a best-fit choice for the teacher.

Best friends do not always make best learning partners.

We are a large staff. Here are a few of the critical people to know:

- **Your child's teacher.**
- **Our Office Team:**
 - **Mrs. Karen Hanks-Craine (Secretary III)**
 - **Mrs. Lori Lew (Secretary II)**
 - **Mrs. Cheryl Babbott (Reception)**
 - **Mrs. Joan Pease (Reception)**
- **Our Administration Team**
 - **Mrs. Amanda Schultz, Principal**
 - **Mrs. Susan Noble, Assistant Principal**
 - **Mme Alexis Gross, Assistant Principal**



Your Child's Teacher is the First Contact

- It is important to connect with your child's teacher. The teachers will send out information about the classroom and learning.
- Should issues or concerns arise, please contact the teacher first.

Restoring Relationships

- Conflict is a normal part of growing up and working with different people or in different environments. Not all conflict constitutes bullying.
- All of us will experience conflict at one point in our lives. It is important we help our students navigate resolutions and move forward.
- At East Lake, we use restorative practices to help students deal with conflicts that arise. We take all concerns seriously and find including students in the process is the best course of action.
- Should your child come home with concerns or a specific incident, please contact your child's teacher to discuss what has happened.
- Learning to promote better future interactions is the goal.



Student Safety

- Kinniburgh Boulevard can be very busy during drop-off and pick-up. Please ensure you teach your child how to safely navigate crossing the street. The best way is to use the designated crosswalks.
- Consider an alternative drop-off and pick-up point at the edge of the back field on East Lakeview Road
- Our parking lot is **CLOSED** between 7:45 and 2:50. There are pylons out to remind everyone to stay out of the parking lot.
- The **BUS LANE** is for **BUSES**. Unless your child is part of our PIP program, please refrain from dropping your child off in the bus lane.



Student Safety

- If for any reason there are court documents regarding access to or the safety of your child, please ensure the school is aware. We need these documents on file in order to follow them.



Bell Times

Supervisors are on duty as of 7:50am. Students who arrive prior to this time are unsupervised.



	Monday-Thursday	Friday
Student Entry	7:50-7:59	7:50-7:59
Classes start	8:00	8:00
Lunch	11:45-12:25	11:05-11:45
Dismissal	2:27	12:50
PARKING LOT CLOSES	7:45	7:45

Alternative Drop off and Pick up East Lakeview Road

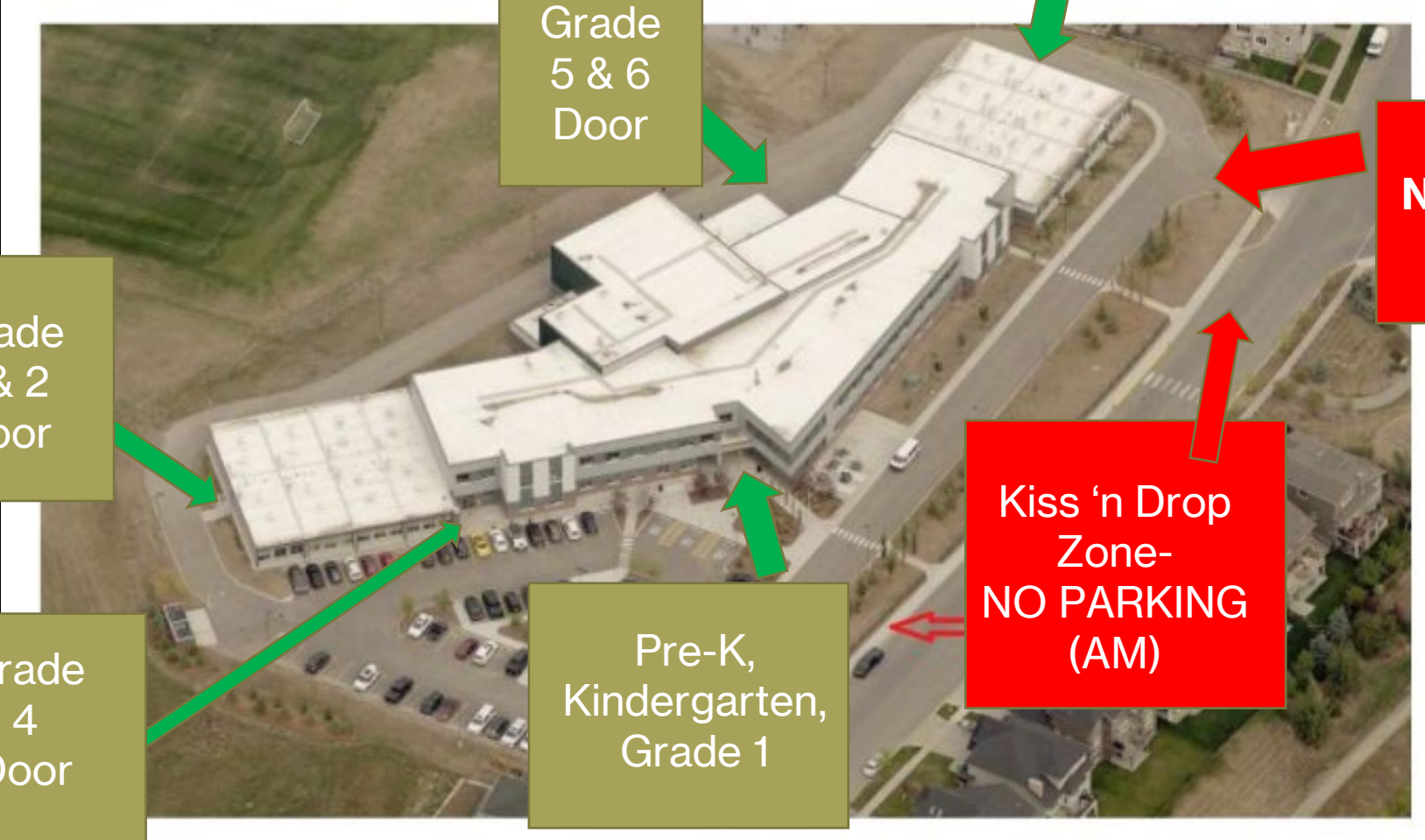
Drop off and Pick up for Grade 3, 5, 6

**Bus Lane-
NO PARKING
NO DROP-OFF**

Drop off and Pick up for Grades 4, 5, 6

Drop off and Pick up for Grade 1 and Grade 2





Grade
3
Door

Grade
5 & 6
Door

**Bus Lane-
NO PARKING
NO DROP-
OFF**

Grade
1 & 2
Door

**Kiss 'n Drop
Zone-
NO PARKING
(AM)**

** Grade 1-2
Combined classes
use Grade 1&2 Door
**Grade 2-3 and 3-4
Combined classes
use grade 3 Door.
**Grade 5-6
Combined classes
use grade 5&6 Door.

Grade
4
Door

Pre-K,
Kindergarten,
Grade 1

Why should your child use his/her designated door to enter and exit the school?

- It may seem like one door is more convenient over another. However, with over 950 students entering and exiting the building at the same time. It is important to spread them out, so we do not create unnecessary congestion at any one entrance/exit. Please discuss with your children the importance of using their designated door.



We love Volunteers at East Lake!

- All volunteers with our school **MUST** have a current criminal record check on file with the school. We have forms you can take to the RCMP at the office.
- All volunteers **MUST** complete our Volunteer Orientation. Annual forms must be completed prior to volunteering.
- Orientations will be held throughout the year.
- Our first Orientation will happen on Wednesday, September 11th in alignment with our Meet the Teacher Event.

School Contact and Information Sources

- **Email:** eastlake@rockyview.ab.ca
- **Phone:** 403 248 1091
- **Student Absences:** We are now using the SAFE ARRIVAL app. This is part of School Messenger. Please download this and use to enter student absences.
- **PowerSchool.** Please ensure you log into PowerSchool once the student logins are sent home. These will be sent as soon as possible. Your child's teacher will regularly post achievement data to PowerSchool.
- **School Cash.** All payments are made through School Cash. We no longer accept cash or cheques at school.

Important to Know

- Please keep all contact information up to date. When we need to contact parents, it is important we have current phone numbers and emails.
- A weekly newsletter, **News From The Nest**, is sent out Friday afternoon. Please check your junk mail, as sometimes it gets bounced. There is critical information regarding school events and information.
- Our school website– www.rockyview.ab.ca/eastlake houses more information about our school, policies and procedures.
- Our socials! Instagram: @eleaglessoar and Facebook: East Lake School



Parent Council

- The BEST way to stay informed and active in our school community is to join our Parent Council.
- Typically, our meetings are held the third Wednesdays starting at 6 pm.
- Friends of East Lake School is our fundraising arm. You are welcome to join these meetings as well. They occur immediately after the Parent Council meetings.



SAVE THE DATE...

- Wednesday, September 11th, 2024 – **Meet the Teacher** from 3:00pm-5:00pm
- Wednesday, September 18th, 2024- **Parent Council** at 6pm
- Monday, September 30th- No School for **National Truth and Reconciliation Day**
- Wednesday, November 6th and Thursday, November 7th – **Student Led Conferences**



We are looking forward to a fabulous year of growth and learning with your children at East Lake.