



JUNE 2019

Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that we are now beginning the last month of the school year. Reflecting on the past year, we have had so many great memories and exciting events to look back on. We continued many successful traditions such as our book fairs, family dance, track & field day, National Indigenous Peoples Day and many more heart felt memories. We also added many new experiences, which we will continue and make new traditions of, such as Family Fun Night.

June still brings us our PAT examinations for our grade six students, final exams for our grade seven students as well as final assessments for all students. All of our students will be working very hard in their studies until the end of June to achieve their goals. In addition, we are also looking forward to several fun culminating events including field trips, year-end activities as well as the National Indigenous Peoples Day.

We are continuing to work to complete our staffing for next year and will have an update on the website as soon as all positions have been filled and finalized. School supply lists for the 2019-20 year are on our website for next year. For those parents that are interested in ordering their school supplies online from Write-On Stationery for pick up in August, more information will be sent in a letter early next week.

Report cards will be available to all parents online at the end of the day on June 27, 2019. Parents will need to sign on to the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) to access the report cards. A special thanks to you, the parents who have contributed in ways small, large and unimaginable! Thank you for the partnership between home and school, which is so important. We appreciate all that you do each and every day for our school and our children!

As our summer begins, I would like to express how grateful I am to be leading such an amazing community of students, parents & staff. It has been an amazing year! I am so proud of all of the achievements and accomplishments of our students here at SouthPointe School.

We hope everyone has a wonderful summer and we are looking forward to seeing you in the fall.

Carol Brown, Principal

Pirates: The Musical!

A HUGE congratulations to all of those involved in *PIRATES: The Musical!* We worked very hard and our efforts were showcased in our performance at the DOW Shell Theatre. Thank you to Ms. Freitag, Ms. Gusniowsky, Mrs. Booker and Mrs. Jefferis for joining me in coaching these budding singers and actors/actresses, to the parents that supervised when needed, and to the students for their commitment to this big undertaking!

Way to go SouthPointe! I'm beyond proud of you.

Mrs. Zapesocki

Talent Show

On Wednesday, June 26, at 12:00 pm, SouthPointe will be having its very first school-wide Talent Show to showcase our school communities talents. We are hoping for solos, duets, trios, and small ensembles. Students can sing, dance, play an instrument or do a variety act such as skipping, magic or comedy! Watch for information coming home!

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 2019-20 school year. Sessions and times are available at these locations:

Location	Date	Time
A.L. Horton Elementary	August 20	6 p.m.
EIPS Central Services	August 20	6 p.m.
EIPS Central Services	August 21	6 p.m.
EIPS Central Services	August 22	2 p.m.
EIPS Central Services	August 22	6 p.m.
EIPS Central Services	August 26	9 a.m.
EIPS Central Services	August 26	6 p.m.
EIPS Central Services	August 28	6 p.m.
SouthPointe School	August 27	2:30 p.m.
SouthPointe School	August 27	6 p.m.

A.L. Horton Elementary is located at 5037 48 Ave, Vegreville

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

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

[Register Now](#)

Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

More information regarding busing for kindergarten students is available at:

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

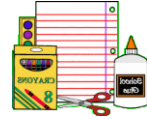


School Supply Lists

Grade-specific school supply lists for the 2019-20 school year are coming home in your child's backpack over the next few days. They are also posted on the [school website](#) and will remain throughout the summer months.

Write-on Stationery

Write-on Stationery provides parents the opportunity to purchase a school supply package for your child that is specific to SouthPointe School and his or her grade. Orders can be placed on-line at <https://www.write-on.ca/> until **July 15, 2019**. School supply packages will be delivered to the school and available for early pickup at the school on August 26 & 27. It is not a requirement to order your supplies through this program. More information will be coming home in your child's backpack over the next few days. **Please Note:** SouthPointe is unable to collect orders/money for Write-on Stationery. **All orders must be placed online.**



Lost and Found

The school has accumulated a large amount of clothing and items in our lost and found. We would appreciate if you and/or your child would have a look through the items before the end of the school year. **Please note that items will be packed up and donated to charity at the end of the day on June 27, 2019.**

Tools for School

SouthPointe School has once again partnered with the United Way for the 2019-20 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 2019-20 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 EIPS Central Services office. All supplies donated within our community are invested back into our region.

For more information about Tools for School, contact the school office at [780-998-2747](tel:780-998-2747) or call the EIPS Central Services at [780-464-3477](tel:780-464-3477).

Kindergarten Farewell



Our Kindergarten Farewell will be held on Wednesday, June 26 beginning at 9:00 am in the school gym. All ECS classes will be participating in the celebration. All family members are welcome. Any questions, please contact kim.sharp@eips.ca or jena.comeault@eips.ca. **Please note: June 26th is also the last day of Kindergarten.**

National Indigenous Peoples Day

June 21 is National Indigenous Peoples Day. We will be recognizing and celebrating the cultures and contributions of the First Nations, Metis and Inuit Indigenous peoples here at SouthPointe School. We have a fun filled, educational day planned. If you would like to volunteer please contact kim.sharp@eips.ca. Thank you.



Fundraising Association and School Council Update

A HUGE thanks to everyone who purchased pizza kits and the awesome volunteers who helped sort orders. Over 342 kits were sold, raising \$2,052 for our school! A big shout out to 1/2H for being the top sellers. Enjoy your pizza party!

Another huge thank you to everyone that helped at our bottle drive and those people who donated bottles. \$652.32 was raised for playground items for the junior high students. Thank you to everyone that has helped to make this fundraising year a success! Looking forward to September.

Please take the time to consider being on the FASS Board and the School Council. The following positions will be available for the next school year.

Fundraising Association

1. President

- main spokesperson for the Association; attends and chairs all meetings of the Association
- communicates with members via school newsletter write-ups and emails.
- has signing authority
- works collaboratively with the SouthPointe School Council Co-Chairs and the school administration

2. Vice President

- attends all meetings of the Association and acts as Chair when the President is absent
- assists the President and assumes duties as required (ie. chairing a committee)

3. Treasurer

- attends all meetings of the Association
- has signing authority
- ensures the Association's financial records are up to date (accounting for all deposits, receipts and expenditures)
- pays invoices approved by the Association
- prepares monthly financial reports for the Association meetings
- prepares all annual financial reports (for AGM, Corporate Registry and AGLC)

4. Secretary

- attends all meetings of the Association
- records minutes of meetings and posts them on the school website
- distributes correspondence to members (emails)
- keeps the Register of Members up to date using the Association Membership Form.

All positions need to be filled for the FASS Board in order to stay incorporated. All fundraising money goes through FASS and not School Council.

School Council

1. Co-chairs

It is expected that the school co-chairs will be parents of students attending the school. The co-chairs should be able to work collaboratively and knows how to organize both programs and people. They should actively encourage others to become engaged in meaningful ways.

Typical chairing duties include:

- chair all meetings of the school council
 - coordinate with the principal to establish meeting agendas
 - ensure that the operating procedures are current and followed
 - be the official spokespeople of the school council
 - ensure there is regular communication with the whole school community
 - stay informed about the school board policy that impacts school council
 - comply with the School Councils Regulation by providing the school board with an annual report that summarizes the school council's activities for the previous school year, including a financial statement relating to money, if any, handled by the school council.
- ### 2. Secretary
- The school council secretary typically acts as a recorder at each meeting and ensures that the minutes are prepared accurately to reflect the directions agreed to at the meeting.

Our AGM will be September 18 at 6pm. Have a great summer and see you in September!

Family Fun Event

You are invited to join us for our SouthPointe School Family Fun Night. Families will have an opportunity to participate in a number of fun activities and enjoy snacks organized by our School Council. We hope you and your family can join us for this fun filled evening!

Date: Wednesday, June 26, 2019

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Where: SouthPointe School (Playground Area)

If you are able to attend, please fill out [this survey](#) by June 21, 2019 to help the School Council prepare for this event.

Student Transportation: 2019-20 registration is now open

Planning to use Student Transportation in the 2019-20 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. Families registered will received tentative route schedules and invoices by the end of the month—fees are due June 30, 2019.

For those students who didn't indicate needing transportation service through the returning student registration process and want to now register, simply contact EIPS Student Transportation at [780-417-8151](tel: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 the Central Administration office.

Summer Hours at Elk Island Public Schools

Throughout the summer break, SouthPointe School is closed and will reopen on August 26, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. If you have any school-related questions or concerns while the school is closed, contact EIPS Central Services—the office is open all summer to complete year-end activities and prepare for the 2019-20 school year.

EIPS Central Office Summer Hours

Open Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Phone [780-464-3477](tel:780-464-3477)
Address 683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park

Statutory Holidays

Closed Monday, July 1 Canada Day
Closed Monday, August 5 Heritage Day
Closed Monday, September 2 Labour Day

NOTE: Student Transportation will also remain open during the summer months and operate during the same hours as EIPS Central Services Office.

UPCOMING DATES

June 7 Grade 7 – Swimming at Harbour Pool
June 10 Grade 7 – Swimming at Harbour Pool
June 12 Kindergarten Field Trip – Telus World of Science
June 13 Grade 1 Field Trip – Ukrainian Village
Grade 7 Field Trip – Elk Island National Park
June 14 Grade 7 Outdoor Education - Birch Bay
Hot Lunch – Panago Pizza
June 17 Grade 2 Field Trip – Ukrainian Village
PAT Exam - Grade 6 English Language Arts, Part B
June 18 Rocks and Rings
S.Y.N.C (Gr 5/6) – Southfort Bend Gardens
PAT Exam – Grade 6 Math
June 19 Rocks and Rings
PAT Exam – Grade 6 Social Studies
June 20 Grade 4 Field Trip – Strathcona Wilderness Centre
PAT Exam – Grade 6 Science
June 21 National Indigenous Peoples Day
June 26 Talent Show
June 27 Last Day of School
Grade 5 & 6 – Turner Park Picnic Field Trip
September 3 First Day of School



~ **GAMES ~ SNACKS ~ FAMILY FUN** ~
~ **SCHOOL SPIRIT** ~

**SOUTHPOINTE
SCHOOL
FAMILY FUN EVENT**

Wednesday, June 26
6-8pm

**HOSTED BY THE
SOUTHPOINTE SCHOOL
PARENT COUNCIL**