



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

To Parents/Guardians of children born in 2005



Options

We believe it is important that your child's start to school is the most successful possible. You should be aware of the following options:

- 1. You may register your child for the 2010/11 Kindergarten year.**
- 2. You may delay entry until the following school year.**

If you decide to delay entry, your child would then register for either Kindergarten or Grade 1 the following year, depending on his/her needs at that time.

Based on what we know about how children learn, it is Board policy that students for Kindergarten to Grade 8 are not retained but continue through school with their entry level peers. So, choosing the best time for school entry is very important.

The school system builds on your child's prior learning experiences. The following questions are provided to help you decide on the most suitable entry date for your child.

- What are some indications you have that your child is interested in attending school?
- What are some positive experiences your child has had away from the family?
- Does your child show signs of stress when separated from parents?
- How does your child feel taking part in a social experience with a group of peers?
- How well does your child share and co-operate in large and small groups?
- To what extent is your child able to understand and follow directions?
- How well does your child handle decision making and accept consequences of his/her actions?
- How long is your child able to stay interested in an activity?
- How well does your child take responsibility for personal care (e.g. toileting, dressing, etc.)?
- In what ways does your child show interest in and enjoyment of physical activities and movements?
- Would extra time (a delayed entry until next year) ensure a successful beginning to your child's school career?

Do you need more information?

Contact your local school to:

- Get more information and discuss any concerns you may have;
- Find out about possible classroom visits;
- Meet the school principal and kindergarten teacher;
- Visit the school to become familiar with it.

Registration

**Registration for September 2010 is at your school – February 1
– 5, 2010, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**