



# KINDERGARTEN

Good Spirit School Division believes in building strong foundations for bright futures. As such the Division is committed to providing high quality early learning environments for Kindergarten students to support readiness for learning.

Kindergarten is a place where your child will learn and grow; where you can expect a stimulating learning environment, active learning, and appreciation for diversity. The Kindergarten program advocates development of the whole child: social-emotionally, physically, intellectually, and spiritually.



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- ☀ Offers an environment that facilitates play, exploration and discovery
- ☀ Believes development and learning are holistic, encouraging children to grow spiritually, physically, social-emotionally, and intellectually
- ☀ Builds confident, independent, and responsible children
- ☀ Actively engages children in learning and provides opportunities for inquiry through play
- ☀ Offers developmentally appropriate educational programming
- ☀ Is culturally affirming for all
- ☀ Includes meaningful, family engagement



# FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

**Family engagement is an important part of Kindergarten. There will be opportunities for students, families and teachers to get to know each other better and build relationships that will have a positive effect on student learning. Educators welcome parent knowledge about the children in their care, and strive to share child development and student progress throughout the year. Open Houses, Family Events, and Student Led Conferences are a few of the avenues for family engagement, and ongoing reciprocal communication is key to student success.**

**In high-quality early learning programs, educators honour the family as children's first teachers and collaborate with them to provide consistent support and culturally responsive learning opportunities. Because family engagement can have a major impact on children's learning, it is vital that parents and teachers become partners in helping young children to be all that they can be**

**(Saskatchewan Ministry of Education, 2008).**

# INFORMATION

- ☀ Children who turn 5 by December 31st are eligible for Kindergarten for that school year.
- ☀ Attendance in Kindergarten is highly encouraged but not compulsory.
- ☀ Students attend for a full day, every other day for the entire school year.
- ☀ The school will host a Kindergarten Open House for children and their parents/guardians in May.



# REGISTRATION

**Schools start accepting applications for the following school year in February.**

**Forms are available online, at any GSSD school or the Good Spirit School Division central office.**

Canora Junior Elementary School	Canora	306.563.6511
Churchbridge Public School	Churchbridge	306.896.2712
Columbia School	Yorkton	306.786.5510
Davison School	Melville	306.728.3955
Dr. Brass School	Yorkton	306.786.5520
Grayson School	Grayson	306.794.2055
Invermay School	Invermay	306.593.2233
Langenburg Central School	Langenburg	306.743.2631
M.C. Knoll School	Yorkton	306.786.5540
Macdonald School	Stockholm	306.793.2020
Miller School	Melville	306.728.3961
Norquay School	Norquay	306.594.2286
P.J. Gillen School	Esterhazy	306.745.2171
Preeceville School	Preeceville	306.547.3148
Saltcoats School	Saltcoats	306.744.2303
Springside School	Springside	306.792.2080
Sturgis Composite School	Sturgis	306.548.2103
Victoria School	Kamsack	306.542.2546
Yorkdale Central School	Yorkton	306.783.5412