

The Ravin' Raven

Elsie Fabian School Monthly Newsletter



Principal's Message Tansi! Edlanet'e! Hello!

Greetings Parents and Community Members,

December and January have been busy months! December brought many festive activities, including pod decorating, spirit week and the Christmas concert. Students also travelled to Westwood to participate in the Dene Handgames Tournament. The entire school also went to Landmark Cinemas for a movie day, which students really enjoyed. From classroom parties to Dreamcatcher making, Elsie Fabian was a busy and joyful place to be.

In January, Junior Chief and Council participated in the Community Talking Circle, and Girls Inc continued working with our Division 1 students on promoting healthy relationships. This program is also supplemented by our Open Parachute program, where students learn social-emotional skills. We also took advantage of the warm spell we had in early January, and took the students sliding. Again, capital projects were there to help out wherever needed, and they built a warm, cozy fire for the students. We also enjoyed hot chocolate! We continue to welcome parents and community members into the school to share their knowledge and expertise. December and January have been busy months, and I am sure we are all looking forward to Spring, which is right around the corner! Blessings to you all.

Merci Cho, Hiy Hiy, Thank you,
EFS Principal, Mrs. Sarah Hiscock



MISSION

To promote and preserve our languages, history and culture. To continue to provide opportunities by advancing our education, economy and health of our people.

THIS month

December & January Issue: What's Inside

Student Success Assembly
Alberta Ballet Showcase
Dene Hand Games
Gingerbread making
Christmas Concert
Christmas Spirit Week
Movie Day
Breakfast with Santa
Cake Walk
Sledding Day
Christmas Break!

STUDENT SUCCESS ASSEMBLY

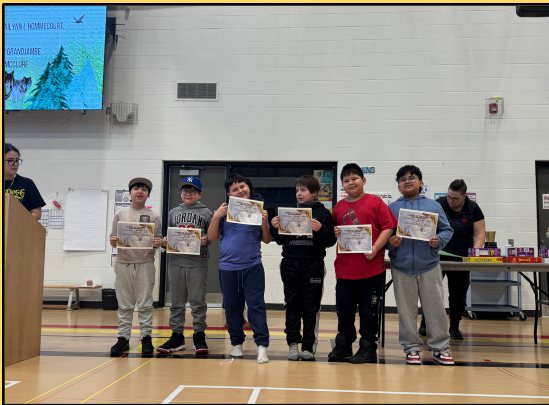


Grandfather Teacher Theme for the Month: Humility



The purpose of our Student Success Assemblies is to foster a feeling of community within our school. Each month will focus on one of the seven Grandfather teachings. This month, our Grandfather Teacher theme centers on Humility and was led by the Grade 9 class.

Humility is to know yourself as a sacred part of Creation. You are equal to others, but you are not better. Humility is represented by the wolf, who are social animals that live in packs. They work in cooperation with each other and for the greater good of the pack.



HUMILITY

STUDENT SUCCESS AWARDS

Student of the Month

DIVISION 1

K5 - KAYLIE SOUCIE
GR.1 - MONTAEVYN FAICHNEY
GR.2 - EDEN LALIBERTE
GR.3 - MEREDITH RAYMOND

DIVISION 2

GRADE 4 - HONOR L'HOMMECOURT
GRADE 5 - LIAM THOMPSON
GRADE 6 - AVA TUCCARO

DIVISION 3

GRADE 7 - ADELE SHOTT
GRADE 8 HARLEY GLADUE
GRADE 9 - KEANNA
WANDERINGSPIRIT

Perfect Attendance

DIVISION 1

K5 - DECEMBER- AVAH AND EMBERLY
JANUARY- AVAH
GRADE 1 - MONTAEVYN FAICHNEY, NIAH BOUCHER, KAILYNN
L'HOMMECOURT, JUNIOR SPENCER
GR.2 - DEC: TYANNA FAICHNEY & LEVON GRANDJAMBE
JAN: TYANNA FAICHNEY & MADDIX MCCLURE

DIVISION 2

GR.4: KIERAN ANTOINE-BOUCHER, MONTREY FAICHNEY, CREEDON
GLADUE, DOMINIC MCISAAC, SAMUEL QUINN, LAYLA SERANFINCHAN,
FELIX FAICHNEY JR.
GR.5- ALIYAH COURTEOREILLE, PERLA LANGDON,
JAY JAY MERCREDI-ORR
GR.6 - DEC: AVA TUCCARO, MCKENNA SERAFINCHAN, AMIRA ASADI

DIVISION 3

GRADE 7- HAYDEN FAICHNEY,
MATAYAH GRANDJAMBE, ADELE SHOTT
GRADE 9 - PATIENCE GRANDJAMBE,
ABIGAIL MCCLURE-RICHARDS, KEANNA
WANDERINGSPIRIT, SADI GLADUE

Most Improved

DIVISION 1

K5- RYLEIGH
GRADE1 - MONTAEVYN FAICHNEY
GRADE 2 - SAMUEL HOWE
GRADE 3 - AURORA GRANDJAMBE

DIVISION 2

GRADE 4- CALLIE LOCKHART
GRADE 5 -ALIYAH COURTEORILLE
GRADE 6 - ALEX GULLICKSON,
CATALAYA LACORDE

DIVISION 3

GRADE 7 - SAMARA DONOFRIO
GRADE 8 - PATRICK HAMELIN
GRADE 9 - TALON MCDONALD

Land Based Award

DIVISION 1

K5 - WILLIAM ANTOINE
GRADE 1 - NIAH BOUCHER
GRADE 2 - NICO L'HOMMECOURT
GRADE 3 - RIEL QUINTAL

DIVISION 2

GRADE 4 -SAMUEL QUINN
GRADE 5 - DECIMUS DELTESS- MCDONALD
GRADE 6- AVA TUCCARO

DIVISION 3

GRADE 7 - HAYDEN FAICHNEY-BOOSTROM
GRADE 8 - KODY SPENCER
GRADE 9 - KEANNA WANDERINGSPIRIT

Cree Award



DIV 1: VANCE CARDINAL
DIV 2: AVA TUCCARO
DIV 3: GRAYSON BOUCHER

Dene Award



DIV 1: KAYLEY SOUCIE
DIV 2: LIAM THOMPSON
DIV 3: MATAYAH GRANDJAMBE





BALLET SHOWCASE



EFS Ballet Showcase

On December 10th, our students wowed parents, staff, and fellow students with an incredible ballet showcase! After weeks of lessons with Alberta Ballet, they confidently performed beautifully choreographed dances, showing off their newfound skills. To top it off, Raven made a special surprise appearance, making the event even more memorable. Amazing job, dancers! 🥰👏🌟



BALLET

CHRISTMAS AT EFS!



CHRISTMAS SPIRIT WEEK

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT WEEK PRESENTED BY JUNIOR C&C!

Santa/Reindeer Day

Crazy Hair/ Grinch Day

PJ / Movie day

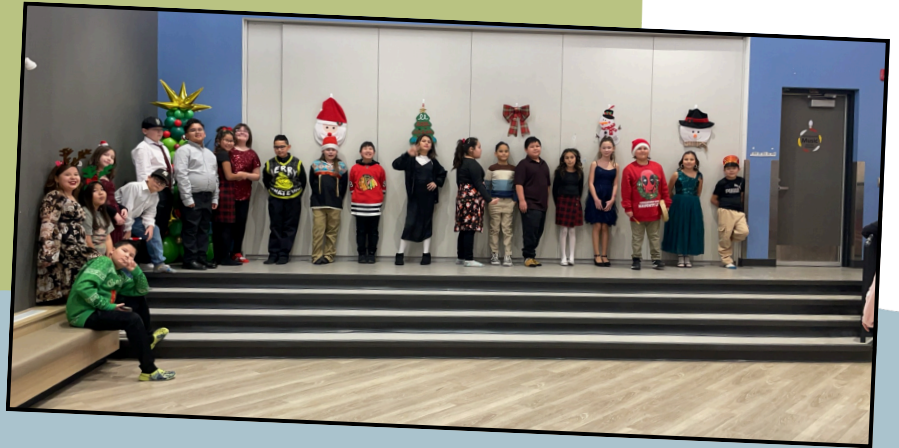
Elf day



EFS CHRISTMAS CONCERT !

EFS Christmas Concert 2025

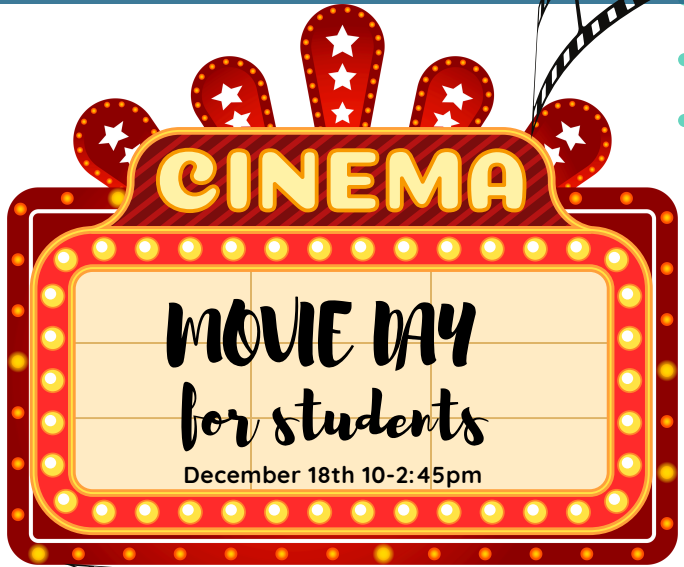
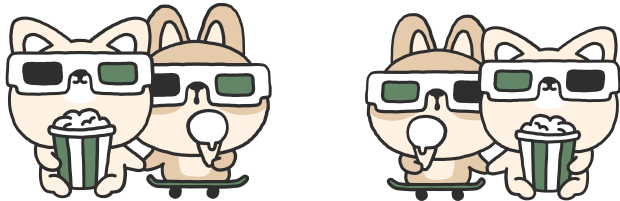
Our students did a beautiful job at this years EFS Christmas Concert 2025! A huge thank you to our parents, community, and leadership for attending and making it an extra special night. Our Division 3 students who MC'd the event with all of their funny jokes, did such a great job! A special appreciation goes to our amazing music teacher, Ms. Chandra, for organizing and leading the performances, and to all our dedicated teachers for their hard work in making the event such a success. You are the best! 🎄🎵🌟



MOVIE DAY FIELD TRIP

EFS MOVIE DAY AT LANDMARK!

ON DECEMBER 18TH, THE ENTIRE SCHOOL ENJOYED A SPECIAL MOVIE DAY AT LANDMARK CINEMAS! STUDENTS AND STAFF GOT TO RELAX WITH POPCORN, TREATS, AND A FUN-FILLED EXPERIENCE BEFORE HEADING INTO THE HOLIDAY BREAK. IT WAS A FANTASTIC WAY TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON TOGETHER AND CREATE LASTING MEMORIES. WE HOPE EVERYONE HAD A WONDERFUL TIME!



DREAM CATCHER MAKING

WITH MR. GRANDJAMBE



**THANK YOU MR. GRANDJAMBE FOR
TEACHING US & SPENDING THE
DAY WITH US AT EFS !**



CHRISTMAS POD DECORATING CONTEST AT EFS!

Division 1 - WINTER WONDERLAND



Division 2 - GRINCH WHOVILLE VILLAGE



Division 3 - THE 'GINGERBREAD' HOOD



MERRY
grinch
mas



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



SANTA VISITS EFS!

A BIG THANK YOU TO SANTA FOR VISITING EFS FOR BREAKFAST, BRINGING PRESENTS, AND SPREADING HOLIDAY CHEER! SANTA MADE HIS WAY TO EACH CLASSROOM, GREETING STUDENTS AND MAKING THE DAY EXTRA SPECIAL. WE HAD SO MUCH FUN CELEBRATING WITH HIM, AND WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR THE JOY AND MAGIC HE BROUGHT TO OUR SCHOOL. UNTIL NEXT YEAR, SANTA! 🎅📺🌟



Ho ho ho! 🌟



LEARNING OUR CREE & DENE LANGUAGE TOGETHER!

Tansi! Edlanet'e!

DECEMBER telt'eghe yati za

At Elsie Fabian School, we're dedicated to fostering a learning environment where students connect deeply with both Dene and Cree language. Each month, we introduce new words in Dene and Cree to help students build a strong foundation in these languages, and we encourage you to practice these words together at home as a family.

Take a few moments to practice these words with your children. It's a wonderful way to honor our traditions and foster respect for language and culture, both inside and outside of school.



THIS MONTH'S WORDS:

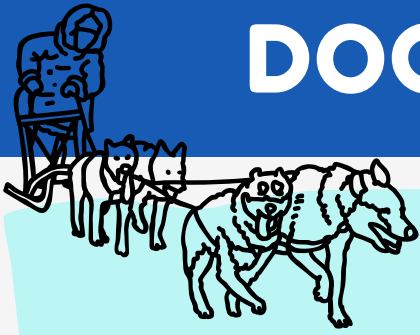
eghálada - Work

jéthchené - Fishing rod

ełelts'ełts'ún dziné zaghé - January



HAPPY
NEW YEAR



DOG SLEDDING AT EFS



ELSIE FABIAN SCHOOL PRESENTS

THE CONNER FAMILY DOG SLED RIDES

Thursday, January 16
2025

DURING PHYS ED
CLASSES

- ✓ Please return permission forms.
- ✓ Remember to dress in your outdoor snow gear!



SLIDING PARTY FUN!



THURSDAY, JANUARY 9TH

SLIDING AGENDA

- Kindergarten to Grade 4
- 12:40pm- K5- Gr 4 leave the school
- 1:45pm return to EPS
- Grade 5 to Grade 9
- 2:00pm- Gr 5-9 leave school to Amphitheatre
- 3:00pm return to EPS
- Parents are invited to join

DON'T FORGET!

- Bring toque, mitts, jacket & skivants
- Winter boots
- Pack an extra pair of pants & socks just in case

TO-DOS

- Bring a sled
- Write your name on your sled



Name: _____

Date: _____

Winter Word Match

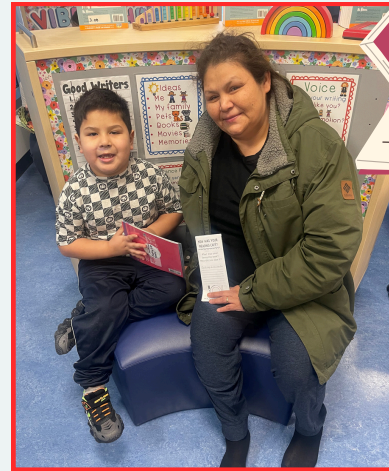


Match each Winter word to its correct definition

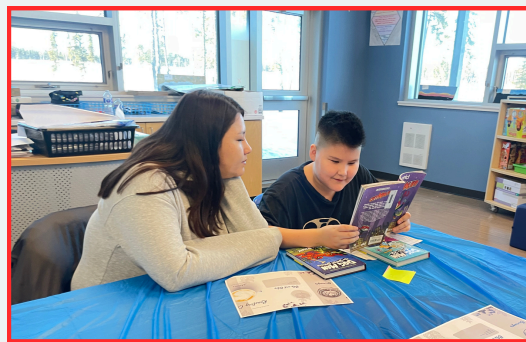
1. Snow ☐ A long piece of fabric worn around the neck to stay warm.
2. Snowman ☐ Soft, white flakes of frozen water that fall from the sky.
3. Scarf ☐ Shoes with metal blades used to slide on ice.
4. Hat ☐ A flat object used for sliding down snowy hills.
5. Gloves ☐ A piece of clothing worn on the head to keep it warm in winter.
6. Sled ☐ Sturdy footwear to keep feet warm and dry in snow and ice.
7. Ice ☐ Warm clothing for your hands that keeps all fingers together.
8. Chimney ☐ Clothing for your hands with separate spaces for each finger.
9. Mittens ☐ Frozen water that becomes slippery and cold.
10. Polar bear ☐ A large white bear that lives in icy regions.
11. Ice skates ☐ A tall structure on a house that allows smoke to escape from a fireplace.
12. Winter boots ☐ A figure made by stacking large snowballs, often with a carrot nose and stick arms.



READING CAFE



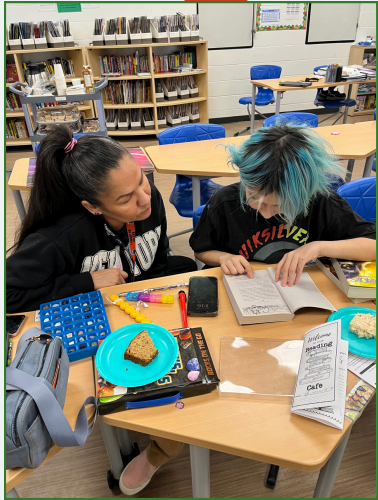
BOOKS ARE
THE WINDOWS
TO AN INFINITE
WORLD OF
WISDOM



LET'S CULTIVATE
READING!



READING CAFE



I ♥ READING



**TODAY A
READER**
**TOMORROW A
LEADER**



NAME:

DATE:

NEW YEAR WORDSEARCH

Find the vocabulary words relating to New Year hidden horizontally and vertically in the grid below.



c	e	l	y	e	a	r	h	c	a
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a	b	w	o	p	s	n	w	d	a
p	r	o	m	p	l	i	k	o	f
p	a	r	t	y	u	g	s	w	g
c	t	k	m	i	d	h	m	n	l
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happy
new
year

celebrate
countdown
resolution

fireworks
party
midnight



SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AT EFS

Daily in-school & Extracurricular Activities

Volleyball Club



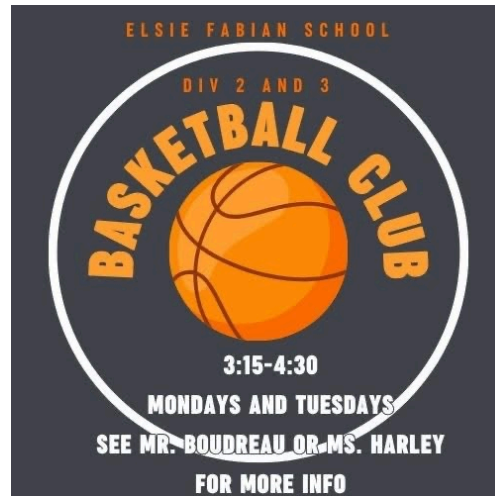
Craft Club



Hockey Academy



Basketball



Upcoming School Activities in February...

- Inclusion Week
- Anti Bullying Week
- Pink Shirt Day!
- Family Day
- Teachers Convention

Kindness
MATTERS



Check out the **FEBRUARY** Calendar for details on upcoming school activities..

FEBRUARY



FEBRUARY 2025


MIKISE WIPISIM
DET'ÁNICHOGH ZAGHÈ

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	NOTES
						1	<div><p>Hockey Academy Day 1 - Advanced Day 2 Novice Teachers Convention from Feb 24th - Feb 28th</p></div>
2	3 Day 2 Jr C & C meeting Basketball 3:15-4:30pm	4 Day 1 Basketball 3:15-4:30pm	5 Day 2 Trek workshop Gr 8/9 @ 1pm Safe Space 3:15-4:15pm	6 Day 1	7 Day 2	8	
9	10 Day 1 Jr C & C meeting Basketball 3:15-4:30pm	11 Day 2 Basketball 3:15-4:30pm	12 Day 1	13 Day 2	14 NO SCHOOL 	15	
16	17 NO SCHOOL FAMILY DAY	18 Day 1 Basketball 3:15-4:30pm	19 Day 2 Safe Space 3:15-4:15pm	20 Day 1 Pink Shirt Day @ EFS	21 Day 2	22	<div><p>Feb 3-7 Inclusion week Feb 10-13 Anti-bullying week Feb 18-22 Kindness week</p></div> <div></div>
23	24	25	26	27	28		
****TEACHERS CONVENTION WEEK****							



MARCH

2025

Sunday	Monday	Tue.Sday	Wedne.Sday	Thur.Sday	Friday	Saturday
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Children's Oral Health in March 3-7	3 Day 1 Jr C & C meeting @ lunch Basketball 3:15-4:30pm	4 100th Day Day 2 Assembly @ 9:19am Basketball 3:15-4:30pm Gr4-9 Badminton 3:15-4:30 Parent Council meeting 5pm	5 Day 1 EFS Tubing @ Vista Photography Club 3:15-4:15pm	6 Day 2 Trappers Festival Talent Show (PM) Gr4-9 Badminton 3:15-4:30	7 Day 1 Trappers Festival (Am)	8 Div 2 Boy's Basketball Tourney
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23	24 Day 1 Jr C & C meeting @ lunch Basketball 3:15-4:30pm	25 Day 2 Gr4-9 Badminton 3:15-4:30 Parent teacher Interviews 3:15-6pm	26 Day 1 Photography Club 3:15-4:15pm	27 Day 2 Gr4-9 Badminton 3:15-4:30	28 NO SCHOOL PD day	29
30	31 Jr C & C meeting @ lunch School Assembly 1:27pm Basketball 3:15-4:30pm					



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT EFS

WHAT'S
NEXT?

IN

MARCH



Trappers Festival

March 6 & 7 at Elsie Fabian School

This event will incorporate Land-based activities students have been learning this year.

Activities for grades 4 to 9:

Log cutting, Nail Pounding, Rabbit Snaring, Fire building/tea/bannock making, Snowshoe race, Lean-to Building, Animal Calls & Portage Sled Race.

Handgames, Jigging contest & School feast

On March 7 we will finish off with having handgames, jigging contest from each grade and a school feast to celebrate.

Activities for KS to grade 3:

Shaving logs, Collecting Kindling, Target shooting, Ice sculpting/snow painting, Snowshoe race & Snow snakes.

Tuesday, March 4th, 2025 is

100 DAYS OF SCHOOL!

Let's celebrate by dressing like we are 100!

BUS LEAVES
9 AM!

TUBING

All Grades!

5 MARCH

Please remember to dress appropriately in full winter gear!

VISTA RIDGE

Check
it
out



ELSIE FABIAN
SCHOOL

TALENT SHOW!

SING, DANCE, RAP, COMEDY SKIT,
GUITAR, DRUMS, PIANO, VOICE
IMPRESSION, PUPPET CD SHOW, ETC

MARCH 6

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW AS
WE FINALIZE THE SCHEDULE

ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT
ASHTON & BRITANY



PARENT REMINDERS

SCHOOL CLOUD

Parents should have received a link to create a School Cloud account during the first week of school. Once you create an account, you will be able to view your child's academic progress, lates or absences. Please check your Spam folder if you have not received the link. For more information on School Cloud please visit the link below:

<https://sites.google.com/fortmckayededucation.ca/schoolcloud/home>



REMIND/CLASS DOJO

Parents may receive a link from their child's teacher to opt in to the Remind text messaging program or Class Dojo program. This allows your child's teacher to communicate with you. These great communication tools can keep you up-to-date on what is happening in your classroom, and at school. For more information, see the links below:

<https://www.remind.com/>

<https://www.classdojo.com/>



ABSENCES, LATES OR LEAVING EARLY

Please call the front office if your child will be late, absent or has to leave early to excuse them. If your child is absent and not excused, staff will begin making phone calls at 9:00 am to inquire about their whereabouts.

If you need to pick up your child early from school, or drop off something to them, please go to the front office to sign in and wait for your child. While we want parents to visit the school, it must be during appropriate times. We must ensure that visitors do not disrupt the learning environment. If you need to see your child during the school day, the front office will call their classrooms and they will come down to meet you and be released.

ELSIE FABIAN SCHOOL BELL TIMES

8:15 AM Students begin to arrive
8:30 AM Classes begin
10:08 AM to 10:18 AM Body break
10:18 AM Classes begin
11:56 AM to 12:16 PM Lunch
12:16 PM to 12:38 PM Body break
12:38 PM Classes begin
2:16 PM to 2:26 PM Body break
2:26 PM Classes begin
3:15 PM Classes end - Home time

2024/25 School Calendar

Elsie Fabian School 2024-2025 Calendar

August 2024	September 2024	October 2024	November 2024
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First and Last Day for Staff
First and Last Day for Students
Stats/School Breaks - No School
Professional Learning Fridays No School
Non-Operational Day - No School
ATA Convention-No School

2024-2025 Important Dates:

Sept. 3	First Day for Students
Dec. 23 - Jan. 5	Christmas Break
Feb 24 - Feb 26	Non-op Day No school
Apr. 15 - Apr. 21	Easter
June 25	Last Day for Students



Merci Cho
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thank
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