



2024-2025 School Year SUMMER & SEPTEMBER INFORMATION Thorsby Elementary School



CONTACT PROCEDURES DURING SUMMER

Please contact our school administrator by email or listen to our school message at 780-789-3776 for your inquiries or concerns. nicole.russett@blackgold.ca

REPORT CARDS & POWERSCHOOL

Report cards were ready to download via PowerSchool on June 26, 2024.

APPEAL PROCEDURES FOR MARKS, CREDITS, REPORT CARDS

Not applicable

JUNE NEWSLETTER

Please see our [Principal's Corner](#) for our June reminders.

REGISTRATION OF NEW STUDENTS

All new families are to register their child(ren) online via PowerSchool Registration which is available on the Black Gold School Division website at: [New Student Registration](#)

Our school office will be open August 21 - 27 for any questions or inquiries, and can be reached at (780) 789-3776 during that time.

RETURNING STUDENTS - VERIFICATION FORM

Students who were attending a Black Gold School Division (BGSD) school in 2023-2024 and are returning to a BGSD school in 2024-2025 are automatically registered for the 2024-2025 school year.

Please Note that Pre K students who will be attending Kindergarten are not automatically registered even if they attended a Black Gold school in the previous year. These students will need to register.

All BGSD families are expected to complete the Student Enrollment Verification Form for the 2024-2025 school year. In late August, parents/guardians will receive an email via SchoolMessenger with details on how to access this form during the first week of school.

SCHOOL START DATE & TIMES FOR GRADES 1 - 12 STUDENTS

First Day of School

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

Regular Day Morning Warning Bell: 8:18 am

Regular Day Afternoon Warning Bell & Lunch Hour Times: 11:20 am - 12:05 pm

Regular Day Dismissal Time: 3:02 pm

EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES (ECS): KINDERGARTEN & PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS

KINDERGARTEN:

English Program - Full Day Tuesday/Thursday and Wednesdays starting after Spring Break

Staggered entry dates for programs are August 29 and 30 as indicated in the Summer Package sent out to parents.

Start Date is September 3.

Warning bell: 8:18 am Lunch hour at 11:25 am-12:05 pm

Dismissal time: 3:05 pm

Watch for Summer package in the mail

Kindergarten students do not need to purchase supplies except for a backpack, indoor shoes, lunch and snack for the day. Supplies are included in the Kindergarten fees.

Early Intervention Pre-Kindergarten (EI-PreK):

Early Intervention Pre-Kindergarten (EI-PreK) is offered at Calmar Elementary School, École Bellevue School, École Corinthia Park School, Linsford Park School, Robina Baker Elementary School, and Thorsby Elementary School. If you have a preschooler who faces challenges like following directions, communication issues, anxiety, or developmental delays, early intervention is crucial. Our Early Intervention Pre-Kindergarten (EI-PreK) program provides specialized support to help your child thrive – academically, socially, and emotionally. Children may qualify as early as two years eight months old by August 31st of the respective school year if they meet the criteria. Please go to <https://www.blackgold.ca/schools/programs/pre-kindergarten/> to enter intake for free eligibility screening.

English as an Additional Language (EAL) Junior Kindergarten:

The EAL Junior Kindergarten program is a half-day program, four days a week, led by a certified teacher with an Education Assistant at École Dansereau Meadows School in Beaumont and Willow Park School in Leduc. Children may qualify as early as three years eight months old by August 31st of the respective school year if they meet the criteria. Please go to <https://www.blackgold.ca/esl-junior-kindergarten/> to enter intake for free eligibility screening.

IEP program

300 hour program - Wednesday, Thursday, Friday mornings

400 hour program - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday mornings

Staggered entry date: August 28 - September 11, 2024. Parents will be notified by email prior to August 23, 2024.

Regular classes start on September 12, 2024, for all students.
Start time for IEP students is 8:50 am and dismissal is at 11:30 am.

IEP students do not need to purchase supplies except for a backpack, indoor shoes, water bottle and snack for the day.
Supplies are included in the IEP fees.

To ensure a balance of strengths and needs across all programs, program times will be communicated directly by the school to all eligible families in September once school staff have had the opportunity to meet all the children in person and perform any necessary assessments.

SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS

[School Supply Lists](#)

TIMETABLE & TIMETABLE CHANGES

Not Applicable

POWERSCHOOL PARENT PORTAL CLASSROOM PLACEMENT

Classroom placement information will be provided at our Welcome Back/Meet the Teacher night on August 27, 2024. PowerSchool will be available to parents on August 27, 2024.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

[TES Website](#)

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION & SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS

[Transportation Information](#). Call 780-955-6034 or 780-955-6048 for inquiries.

2024-2025 School Year information will be posted to our BGSD website in late August.