



Riverview Elementary School

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At Riverview, we are a community of: responsible, respectful, learning, caring citizens!

October 2023 Newsletter

School Photos

Right Photography is **scheduled for Monday, October 16th for student photos**. All students must have their photo taken as our provincial registration process needs a current photo. Students will receive a proof of the photo and will be provided with options of a photo package that can be purchased.



Photo Retakes are on Wednesday, November 8, 2023

No School

A reminder to parents/guardians; school will not be in session on the following date(s):

- ⇒ Friday, Oct. 20 - Pro D Day
- ⇒ Friday, November 10- Remembrance Day
- ⇒ Monday, November 27 - NI Day



Halloween

On Tuesday, October 31st students can wear their costumes to school! Students should not bring props such as swords, guns, etc. and students should not wear a mask unless allowed by their teacher in class.



Parent/Teacher Interview

Teachers will be conducting Parent/Teacher Interviews on Wednesday, October 25th and Thursday, October 26th. Students will be dismissed at 11:30 am on these two days. Bus students will board the bus at 11:36 am. Parent interview times have been sent home. If you are unable to attend on the provided times, please contact the classroom teacher to make alternate arrangements.



School Hours:

8:30 am - 2:36 pm

Recess

10:15 am - 10:30 am

Lunch

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Secretary Hours

Monday	8:00 - 3:15
Tuesday	8:00 - 3:15
Wednesday	8:00 - 3:15
Thursday	8:00 - 3:15
Friday	8:00 - 3:15

Please note secretary hours are subject to change.

Student Supervision

Parents are reminded that there is no student supervision at the school prior to 8:00 am and no student supervision after the buses have left.



**RIVERVIEW SCHOOL IS A FISH/SHELLFISH FREE SCHOOL
SEAFOOD ALLERGENS ARE AIRBORNE AND LIFE-THREATENING**

We appreciate your assistance in ensuring NONE of these foods are brought to the school.

All fish, scallops, shrimp, tuna, salmon, crab, etc.



Terry Fox Run

Thank you to everyone who donated, we raised over \$200 for the Terry Fox Foundation!



Thank You

Changing Weather

Please remember to dress for the changing weather, especially with our morning becoming colder! Students are expected to have a warm coat, gloves, a hat, and proper footwear for the colder weather. Students will only be kept in on days where the temperature is below -15.



Breakfast Club

All students will enjoy a healthy breakfast snack that will be delivered to the classroom.

Children can't learn on an empty stomach.

Therefore, at Riverview we are committed to ensuring all students receive the healthy start they need in order to be successful learners. We are partnered with the Breakfast Club of Canada and local community groups to offer a universal breakfast program. Thank you to all for organizing this program.



Time Change

A reminder to turn your clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 5th.



Daily Health Awareness

As another school year commences, it is important to remember health awareness. Health awareness reduces the likelihood of a person/child with illness coming to school when they are infectious. **This includes a person checking regularly that they or their child are not experiencing symptoms of illness to ensure they are not coming to school when they are sick.** This will help prevent the spread of germs and will keep our school community healthy.



PAC

The PAC is an important voice for our students and our school. Without enough parents, the PAC cannot vote on important decisions such as supporting the performing arts performances, equipment purchases and much more. Please come out to a PAC meeting to see what you can do for your child and our school! PAC meetings are the first Thursday of the month at 3:00 pm in the school. The next PAC meeting is Thursday, November 2nd at 3:00 pm.



Please check out and like our school Facebook page! Search: [Riverview PAC](#)



JOIN US FOR

TAKE ME
OUTSIDE
DAY

READY
SET
LEARN

FOR AGES 3-5

COME PREPARED; RAIN OR SHINE!
TO PLAY AND EXPLORE.

DATE: OCTOBER 18, 2023

TIME: 2:00 - 4:00 P.M.

LOCATION: SOUTH QUESNEL PARK,
NEIGHBOURHOOD ROAD

RSVP: CALL 250-992-0430 OR EMAIL
JOLENEKING@SD28.BC.CA



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Together we can



All about the Foundation Skills Assessment

What is the Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA)?

The FSA is a learning assessment for all grade 4 and 7 students. It focuses on the areas of **literacy** and **numeracy**.

FSA results are one way of measuring how the education system is doing in these key areas. It assesses how students think, communicate and reflect - not just the facts they know.

The FSA is not intended to be used to rank students, teachers, or schools. The FSA is a snapshot of student learning at a moment in time. For parents and caregivers, it tells you where your child is at in their literacy and numeracy development, as well as areas where they may need support. When all students participate, it also gives the Ministry of Education and Child Care a clear picture of how the education system is performing as a whole.

Why is the FSA important?

The Ministry of Education and Child Care sets the standards for what your child learns and, along with teachers, figures out ways to measure how well they are learning. The goal is for your child (and all students in BC) to get a great education that readies them for life after graduation and helps them become educated citizens.

One way the Ministry ensures the quality of student learning is through the FSA. The FSA helps us understand what learning looks like across the entire province. It lets us see how different groups of students are learning and find out where they might need extra help. It also helps us understand how well BC is doing over time.

The Ministry uses this information to make sure that your child's learning is "on track" and that they don't fall behind. This data also allows us to know how BC students are doing in relation to students in other provinces in Canada and the rest of the world. The FSA provides both the Ministry and parents and caregivers with the assurance that students possess the literacy and numeracy skills necessary for their future.

Literacy is your child's ability to understand language and communicate in a variety of ways.

Numeracy is your child's ability to apply important math skills, solve problems, and communicate solutions.

The FSA:

- Is **not** a high-stakes assessment
- Is **not** meant to be used for ranking students, teachers, or schools
- Does **not** impact student marks or report cards
- Provides valuable information about student learning
- Ensures all students are developing a strong foundation in literacy and numeracy
- Guides improvements to BC's education system

How will your child participate?

The FSA will be completed by your child as part of their regular classroom learning. Your child does not need to prepare for the assessment. The FSA has five parts that can be spread out over several days or weeks during the fall of your child's grade 4 and 7 school year. Each component of the assessment will never be longer than an hour, so it won't take too much time away from classroom learning. Here is what your child can expect:

Component	Description	Time
Paper-based literacy task	A collaboration activity and 3 written response questions	60 minutes
Online literacy task	30 questions	60 minutes
Paper-based numeracy task	3 written response questions and 1 self-reflection question	45 minutes
Online numeracy task	30 questions	60 minutes
Self-reflection	1 selected-response question and 1 written-response question	5 minutes

Some students may feel nervous about tests. Talking about the FSA at home can help your child understand the purpose of the assessment. It can also help your child feel more confident writing it.

You will receive your child's test booklet back after it has been marked. Marking is done by teachers using the provincial proficiency scale, the same scale used for report cards for kindergarten to Grade 9. For FSA, "Developing" and "Proficient" have been combined on the scale into a single category, so that you know if your child is "On Track" in their literacy and numeracy learning.

Emerging	On Track	Extending
means your child is beginning to understand the expected concepts	means your child mostly understands the expected concepts	means your child is able to apply their learning in new and different ways

Along with written comments from teachers and the proficiency scale on report cards, the FSA results can be another helpful source of information to see where your child is in their literacy and numeracy development and where they can go next in their learning.

How are the FSA results used?

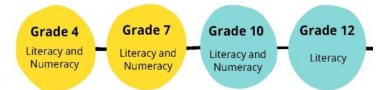
The FSA results offer insights to parents, caregivers, teachers, schools, districts, and the Ministry. They provide valuable information to all levels of the education system that help improve student learning.

- For parents, caregivers, and teachers, these results can show how students are doing in literacy and numeracy.
- Teachers, schools, and districts can use the FSA results to help support classroom teaching. They can see where students are doing well and where they might need more help.
- Schools, districts, and the Ministry can use the FSA results to help make the education system better. The Ministry also relies on the FSA to uphold high learning standards to help all students develop their literacy and numeracy skills.

It's important to know that the FSA results aren't for ranking students, teachers, schools, or districts. Rankings don't help learning and don't make BC's education system better. The FSA is just one data point and doesn't reflect all the teaching and learning that happens in a school. That's why the Ministry doesn't make, share, or support any rankings.

When are literacy and numeracy assessed?

Foundation Skills Assessments Graduation Assessments



Contact Us

assessments@gov.bc.ca

Curriculum.gov.bc.ca



Terrific Twos

Friday November 17th
10:00 am to 12:00 pm
at the West Park Mall

Parents and caregivers sign up your 2 year old and come enjoy some fun activities, developmental information and receive a gift!

To reserve your spot call
Debbie at 250-992-8858

Hosted by the
Quesnel Community Early Years Table



October 2023



Lhooz hadulh bunun (lhoo) (ha) (dulh) (bu) (nun)
 Translation: the time when the white fish come back



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 National Day of Truth & Reconciliation Observed NO SCHOOL	3 ASSAI	4	5 ASSAI	6 Terry Fox Run	7
8	9 Thanksgiving NO SCHOOL	10 ASSAI	11	12 ASSAI	13	14
15	16 Student Photo Day	17 ASSAI	18	19 ASSAI	20 Pro D Day NO SCHOOL	21
22	23	24 ASSAI	25 1/2 Day for Students	26 1/2 Day for Students	27 PAC Bake Sale 	28
29	30	31 Halloween ASSAI				

November 2023



Benghaz Nats' ukih (ben) (ghaz) (na) (ts'u) (kih)

Translation: half of the time we travel by boat



Su Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1	2 Last Day for ASSAI	3	4
5	6	7	8 Student Photo Retakes	9 Remembrance Day Assembly	10 Remembrance Day No School	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 NI Day NO SCHOOL	28	29	30		