



Uncie's Update

May 3, 2018



Important Date

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| May 6 | Gr. 6 Field Trip |
| May 7 | Hot Lunch |
| May 7 | PAC Meeting 6:15 pm |
| May 8 | Volunteer Picnic 11:10am |
| May 9 | Grade 6 PAT LA/Pt A |
| May 9 | ECS Field Trip |
| May 9 | Bus to Swim |
| May 12 | Mother's Day |
| May 14 | Hot Lunch |
| May 15 | Gr. 4 Field |
| May 16 | Bus to Swim |
| May 16 | BEACH DAY |
| May 17 | No School - PD Day |
| May 20 | No School - Victoria Day |
| May 21 | Hot Lunch |
| May 23 | Bus to Swim |
| May 23 | ECS Orientation 6:00 – 7:00 pm |
| May 28 | Last Hot Lunch |
| May 28 | Gr 5 Field Trip |
| May 30 | Bus to Swim |
| May 31 | Gr 6 Field Trip |
| Reminder: | No Hot Lunch for JUNE |
| June 7 | Wear Red & White Uncas Canada Day Pancake Breakfast |



Principal's Message

April was a busy month and more to come in May! Field trips are being planned and your teachers may invite parents to participate as a chaperone. Our field trips are planned to be both educational and lots of fun and so we look forward to them with great anticipation!

The first week of May was Education Week, the theme of which is *Learning is a Journey*. Here is a list of activities in and around Education Week.

- **April 25th 6:00-7:00pm Math Games Night** hosted by Uncas staff and EIPS Math Consultant Alexandra Candler
- **Library Reading Contest** all week. Submit your tickets to win prizes
- **Monday, April 29th DARE Program** to Grade 6 Students
- **Wednesday, May 1st Hats on For Mental Health Day**-participation and conversations about mental health
- **Uncas Grounds clean-up**-each class cleans a portion of our outdoor spaces through the week

• **Arbor Day-** a North American tradition since 1872, Uncas Grade 1s will go to Broadmoor Lake and receive their tree to plant wherever you want. Where is your Arbor Day tree planted?

• **May 6th** the grade 6s will attend a Science Provincial Achievement Test review at Ardrossan Elementary to prepare for the provincial exam in June.

As the weather warms up, I like to remind parents as well as students of our School Dress Code. As cited in the School Handbook, which is on page 13 of the student agenda, the Student Dress Code states: *"School is the students' place of work and they are expected to dress accordingly. Clothing must be appropriate for a conservative school setting. This includes: T-Shirts/tops and pants that cover the midriff, t-shirts/tops must completely cover any undergarment front and back, and including undergarment straps. Appropriate hem (skirts/shorts) lengths to the end of the thumbs when arms are held straight down along the sides of the legs, and shirts with appropriate sayings or logos. Minimal make-up is to be worn by students.*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the students and staff for all of their hard work on academics thus far this year. We are moving into final assessments for this school year and I encourage everyone to be diligent in their studies and do your very best. Thank you and have a great month.

Grade 6 Provincial Achievement Tests

Please ensure your child is present and on time on PAT days. All tests commence early in the morning schedule. The best preparation for these tests is a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast!

The written component of the Language Arts achievement test for Grade 6 is scheduled for the morning of Thursday, May 9.

Exam schedule in June:

- Monday, June 17
Grade 6 - ELA Part B
- Tuesday, June 18
Gr. 6 - Math
- Wednesday, June 19
Gr. 6 – Social Studies
- Thursday, June 20
Gr. 6 - Science

Students who are absent when the tests are administered are expected to write the tests upon their return.

The Provincial Achievement Test information is valuable to our school as we gain insights into the strengths of our instructional program as well as enable us to identify areas that may be improved.

Please remember:

There will be
No Hot Lunch
in the Month of **June**



THANK YOU! Bus Driver

We recognize and thank our school bus operators for keeping the safety of our students their first priority. We encourage you, and your children, to take a moment to say thanks to our bus operators—who go above and beyond to provide safe and timely transportation to our students.



On behalf of Uncas Elementary **THANK YOU** to all of our school bus operators for a job well done.

Student Transportation: 2019-20 registration is now open

Planning to use Student Transportation in the 2019-20 school year? If so, make sure your child is registered so Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) can plan routes and send your child a bus pass before the first day of school.

All students who indicated needing transportation services through the pre-enrolment process are now registered. Families registered will receive tentative route schedules and invoices by the end of the month—fees are due June 30, 2019.

For those students who didn't indicate needing transportation service through the pre-enrolment process and want to now register, simply contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151 or email st@eips.ca.

For more information about EIPS Student Transportation visit www.eips.ca/transportation.

NOTE: Fees can be paid online using the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) or in-person at the Student Transportation office—683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park. The office will remain open during the summer months operating during the same hours as the EIPS Central Services office.

Uncas Out of School Care

Uncas Out of School Care is accepting registrations for the upcoming school year of 2019-2020.

We provide before and after school care and full time care for Kindergarten children, including non-school days, during the school year. Additionally, we provide care in August for any children aged 5 to 12. Due to summer maintenance done to the classrooms and staff holidays, we are closed for July.

The Uncas Out of School Care program is not only for Uncas Elementary School students - we have permission to accept any child from any school that required out of school care.

We provide a variety of physical activities both indoors and outdoors. We often play sports like soccer, volleyball, basketball, hockey, as well as allow children to freely use gym equipment for their own activities. Children have the opportunity to play in the playgrounds or on the fields as well as experience the nature around the school during the different seasons. Outside of physical activity, we provide opportunities for children to engage in arts & crafts, literature, science experiments, and logic exercises.

For more information please contact Anna at 780-297-0023 or email at a.m.groszek@gmail.com

2018-19 EIPS Parent Survey Results Report

The results are now available for the 2018-19 EIPS Parent Survey conducted in March. Thank you to all families who took the time to share their feedback with the Division. The survey included 21 questions related to the three priorities outlined in the EIPS [2018-22 Four-Year Education Plan](#):

- Priority 1: Promote growth and success for all students
- Priority 2: Enhance high quality learning and working environments
- Priority 3: Enhance public education through effective engagement, partnerships and communication.

The overall Division results represent 3,713 responses from parents and guardians across the Division. This was an increase in responses from 2,918 in the previous year.

The feedback gathered will help our school and the Division measure its progress toward meeting the priorities and goals outlined in the EIPS 2018-22 Four-Year Education Plan and develop strategies to better serve students and the wider community moving forward.

Complete Parent Survey results for the Division are available by visiting www.eips.ca/about-us/planning-and-results/parent-survey.

The Uncas Parent Survey results are available by visiting <https://www.uncas.ca>

No School

May 17

PD Day

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May 20

Victoria Day

Beach Day

Thursday

May 16





Little Elk Island Adventure: Registration

Elk Island Public Schools is once again running Little Elk Island Adventure, a fun and informative program for first-time school bus riders.

Annually, Student Transportation offers the Little Elk Island Adventure to new riders and their parents. The program's aim is to help ease any anxieties a family may have about riding the bus before even starting school. Through a series of activities, riders learn about: school bus safety, danger zones, tips on boarding and how to sit properly on the bus. After that, both the children and parents hop on the bus to practice what they've learned and then venture out on a short ride.

The Little Elk Island Adventure is for first-time school bus riders entering the 2019-20 school year. Sessions and times are available at these locations:

| Location | Date | Time |
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| A.L Horton Elementary | August 20 | 6 p.m. |
| EIPS Central Services | August 20 | 6 p.m. |
| EIPS Central Services | August 21 | 6 p.m. |
| EIPS Central Services | August 22 | 2 p.m. |
| EIPS Central Services | August 22 | 6 p.m. |
| EIPS Central Services | August 26 | 9 a.m. |
| EIPS Central Services | August 26 | 6 p.m. |
| EIPS Central Services | August 28 | 6 p.m. |
| SouthPointe School | 1st 27 | 2:30 p.m. |
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A.L. Horton Elementary is located at 5031 48 Ave, Vegreville

EIPS Central Services is located at 683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park

SouthPointe School is located at 11 SouthPointe Blvd., Fort Saskatchewan

Space is limited and pre-registration is required. To register for a Little Elk Island Adventure, visit <https://www.eips.ca/transportation/little-elk-island-adventure>