



## Registration for Kindergarten and Other Programs for 2021/2022 School Year Important information for School District No. 71 (Comox Valley) Families

School District No. 71 (Comox Valley) will be enrolling Kindergarten students (Neighbourhood, French Immersion, Montessori, Indigenous, Fine Arts and eClasses) in District schools for attendance in September 2021. To be eligible for enrolment in September 2021, a student must turn five (5) years of age by December 31, 2021. Each child's birth certificate and proof of address must be uploaded or presented at time of registration. CareCards will not be accepted as proof of birth but we need the care card number on the registration form. A Passport or Landed Immigrant authorization are suitable forms of documentation in lieu of birth certificates.

### **ORIENTATION SESSION FOR KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS:**

Due to COVID 19, we are not able to bring parents together for a special evening to hear about our Kindergarten programs. This year, we are doing a virtual presentation which will be posted on January 22, 2021 and can be found on our web site at [www.comoxvalleyschools.ca](http://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca)

- Neighbourhood (the Kindergarten program in your neighbourhood school);
- Early French Immersion; (located at Ecole Puntledge Park and Ecole Robb Road)
- Indigenous; (located at Ecole Puntledge Park)
- Montessori; (located at Queneesh and Courtenay Elementary)
- Navigate (NIDES) Compass Program
- Navigate (NIDES) Fine Arts eCademy (FAe)

If you have questions, please join us for a virtual Q&A session, which will be held via Zoom on January 27, 2021 from 6:30pm-7:30pm. The link to this session can be found on our website [www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration](http://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration)

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:**

All our Kindergarten classes are full-day programs. Parents are asked to register their children at their current neighbourhood catchment school using the online registration located on our web site [www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration](http://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration) between the dates of **February 1-7, 2021**. While most, if not all, students living in a school's local catchment will be accommodated at that school, they cannot be guaranteed placement in the catchment area school and may be required to go to the nearest school having space available. To determine your neighbourhood catchment school, please visit our district website at [www.comoxvalleyschools.ca](http://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca), click on "Schools" and go to "School Locator". If you live in an area where busing is provided, please complete a Bus Transportation Registration Form which is located at [www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-transportation](http://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-transportation). All students travelling on School District No. 71 school buses must carry a bus pass.

### **PROGRAMS OF CHOICE INCLUDING EARLY FRENCH IMMERSION, MONTESSORI, INDIGENOUS**

Programs of choice will use the same registration process as described above for Kindergarten. Siblings of students already in the program will be given preference for choice programs as we strive to keep families together. **Registration for programs of choice is on a first come, first-served basis** and the online registration system opens February 1, 2021 at 6:00 pm to February 7, 2021 at 6:00 pm. [www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration](http://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration)

### **NAVIGATE (NIDES) COMPASS PROGRAM KINDERGARTEN: ALL REGISTRATION IS COMPLETED ONLINE AT**

[www.navigatenides.com](http://www.navigatenides.com)

Registration for **all** students for the Navigate (NIDES) Compass Program is completed online and the registration form will be active on March 4, 2021. Inquiries for this program can be forwarded to Vice Principal, Dwayne Mills at [Dwayne.mills@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:Dwayne.mills@sd71.bc.ca)

### **NAVIGATE (NIDES) FINE ARTS ECADEMY (FAE) KINDERGARTEN: ALL REGISTRATION IS COMPLETED ONLINE AT**

[www.navigatenides.com](http://www.navigatenides.com)

Registration for **all** students for the Fine Arts eCademy (FAe) Kindergarten at Navigate (NIDES) is completed online and the registration form will be active on February 24, 2021. Inquiries for this program can be forwarded to Vice Principal, Dwayne Mills at [Dwayne.mills@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:Dwayne.mills@sd71.bc.ca)

### **LATE FRENCH IMMERSION (LFI BEGINS AT GRADE 6) – THE LFI PROGRAM IS HELD AT ECOLE PUNTLEDGE PARK ELEMENTARY**

A virtual orientation session will be held on January 26, 2021 at 6:30 pm via Zoom. The link to this session can be found on our website [www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration](http://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration)

Registration for late French Immersion will be online and will begin on February 8, 2021.

### **CONTACT:**

For further information, please contact the individual school or Allan Douglas, Director of Instruction or Geoff Manning, Assistant Superintendent at the School Board Office at (250) 334-5500.