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### **Kindergarten registration opening for 2022-2023 school year**

**COMOX, VALLEY B.C.** – Kindergarten registration for children entering the public education school system for the 2022 - 2023 school year opens this evening, January 24th for programs of choice. Registration for neighbourhood schools opens January 31st. Navigate Fine Arts eCademy opens February 24<sup>th</sup> and Compass registration opens March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

To be eligible for enrolment into Kindergarten, a child must be five (5) years of age by December 31, 2022.

#### **Programs of Choice (French immersion, Montessori or Indigenous)**

Registration for programs of choice opens today, January 24 at 6:00 p.m. These programs include Early French Immersion (École Robb Road or École Puntledge Park) or the Montessori program (Queneesh or Courtenay Elementary) or the Indigenous program (École Puntledge Park). Placements into choice programs are on a first come, first served basis in the order received. Siblings of current students in the programs will have priority.

#### **Neighbourhood Schools**

Most students will attend their neighbourhood school. To determine your neighbourhood school visit <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/schools/> and click on School Locator. Parents/guardians are asked to register their children at their current neighbourhood school on January 31<sup>st</sup> to February 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Late French Immersion – Ecole Puntledge Park**

Registration for late French Immersion will begin on February 7, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Late French Immersion begins in Grade 6. A virtual orientation session will be held on January 27, 2022 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).

#### **Navigate (NIDES) Compass Program Kindergarten and the Fine Arts eCademy (Fae) Kindergarten**

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Registration opens February 24<sup>th</sup> for the Fine Arts Academy (FAe) and Compass registration opens March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Navigate will host an online open house on February 9, 2022 at 6:00 pm. It will cover both the Compass and Fine Arts eCademy (FAe) programs. To register, please email Vice Principal, Dwayne Mills at [Dwayne.mills@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:Dwayne.mills@sd71.bc.ca).

Now is the time to consider which program is best for your child. For more information and an orientation video: <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration/>

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