

Registration for Kindergarten and other programs for 2026/27 School Year Important information for Comox Valley Schools (SD 71) Families

Comox Valley Schools (School District No. 71) will be enrolling Kindergarten students (Neighbourhood, French Immersion, Montessori, Indigenous, Pathways Learning Community, ENTER, Fine Arts and eClasses) in District schools for attendance in September 2026. To be eligible for enrolment in September 2026, a student must turn five (5) years of age by December 31, 2026. Each child's birth certificate and proof of address must be uploaded for registration. BC Services Cards will not be accepted as proof of birth however your child's <u>BC Personal Health Number (PHN)</u> is required on the registration form. A Passport or Landed Immigrant authorization are suitable forms of documentation in lieu of birth certificates.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

For more information about program registration, please check the posted information on the school district website:

- Neighbourhood (the Kindergarten program in your catchment school);
- Early French Immersion (located at Ecole Puntledge Park and Ecole Robb Road);
- Indigenous K/1 Aspen Park Elementary; Open House January 12 from 5:00 6:15 pm at Aspen Park Elementary
- Indigenous K/1 Ecole Puntledge Park Park; Open House January 13 from 5:00 6:15 pm at Ecole Puntledge Park
- Montessori (located at Queneesh and Courtenay Elementary); Open House January 8 from 6:00 7:00 pm at Queneesh Elementary
- Pathways Learning Community (K-5 at Airport Elementary); Open House January 7 from 6:30 7:30 pm at Airport Elementary
- ENTER (K-7 at Aspen Park Elementary); Open House January 7 from 5:00 6:00 pm at Aspen Park Elementary
- Navigate (NIDES) Compass Program; Open House January 30 from 9:30 11:30 am at Tsolum Campus
- Navigate (NIDES) Fine Arts eCademy (FAe); Open House January 30 from 9:30 11:30 am at Tsolum Campus
- Late French Immersion (Grade 6); Open House January 22 from 6:00 7:00 pm at Ecole Puntledge Park

Kindergarten and other Program Registration Information

All Kindergarten classes are full-day programs. The following choices are available for Kindergarten Registration.

Neighbourhood School:

Parents are asked to register their children at their current neighbourhood catchment school using the online registration located on our website www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration starting **Tuesday, January 20, 2026**. 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 comoxvalleyschools.ca, click on "Schools" and go to "Schools Locator". If you live in an area where busing is provided, please complete a Bus Transportation Registration Form which is located at https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-transportation. All students travelling on School District No. 71 school buses must carry a bus pass. If you do not have access to technology to complete the online registration, connect with your neighbourhood school for registration support.

Early French Immersion (Ecole Puntledge and Robb Road), Montessori (Queneesh and Courtenay) and Indigenous K-1 (Ecole Puntledge and Aspen Park):

- Online Expression of Interest is open Tuesday, January 13 until Friday, January 16 at 6:00 pm. (The expression of interest will remain open after the initial intake for waitlist applicants). Program entry is based on a lottery system, not first come first serve. Please complete the expression of interest form for your program of choice on the SD71 registration page www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration.
- The indicated school you select will contact you and provide directions about confirmation or wait listing for placement.
- Indigenous K/1 at Aspen Park (registering K/1) and Ecole Puntledge (registering K-only): Priority will be given to students of ancestry before Friday, January 16, 2026.
- Siblings of current students in the programs above will have priority, if they are registered before Friday, January 16, 2026.

Pathways Learning Community (K-5 Airport) and ENTER (K-7 Aspen):

- Online Expression of Interest for all grades opens Tuesday, January 13 until Friday, January 16 at 6:00 pm. (The expression of interest will remain open after the initial intake for waitlist applicants). Program entry is based on a lottery system, not first come, first serve.
- Siblings of current students in the programs above will have priority, if they are registered before Friday, January 16, 2026.
- The indicated school you select will contact you and provide directions about confirmation or wait listing for placement.

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

www.navigatenides.com

Registration for **all** students for the Navigate (NIDES) Compass Program will take place in February 2026. Please check check website for more details. Inquiries for this program can be forwarded to Vice Principal, Alissa Pratt at <u>alissa.pratt@sd71.bc.ca</u>

NAVIGATE (NIDES) FINE ARTS ECADEMY (FAe) KINDERGARTEN: ALL REGISTRATION IS COMPLETED ONLINE AT:

www.navigatenides.com

Registration for **all** students for the <u>Fine Arts eCademy (FAe)</u> Kindergarten at Navigate (NIDES) will take place in February 2026. Please check the website for details. Program entry is based on a lottery system, not first come, first serve. Inquiries about this program can be forwarded to Vice Principal, Alissa Pratt at <u>alissa.pratt@sd71.bc.ca</u>

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