



He's ready.

She's ready.

are you?

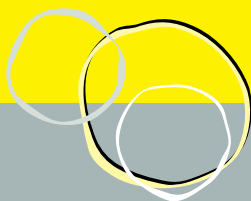


**STURGEON HEIGHTS
SCHOOL**

KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM



Your child is likely filled with excitement about starting school. How are you feeling about it? Let us put your mind at ease with some information about Sturgeon Heights School and our wonderful kindergarten program.



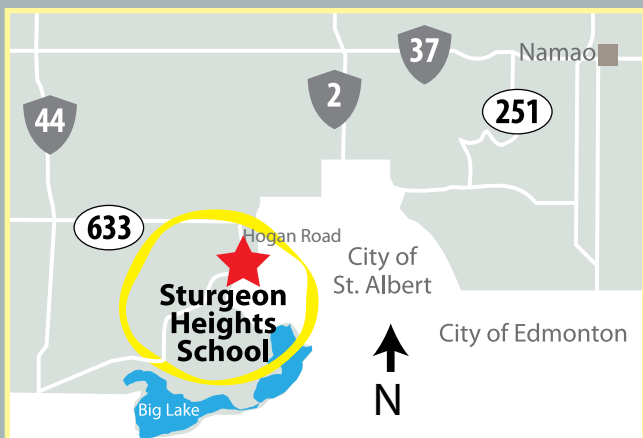
About our school

Your child can grow with us

Located within the City of St. Albert, Sturgeon Heights School serves students and families throughout Sturgeon County and adjacent urban communities. In addition to our reputation for excellent academic success, our school provides cross-graded activities designed to build relationships between all students, where older students support the development of younger students.

We're easy to find

Sturgeon Heights School is conveniently located in St. Albert on Hogan Road, immediately south of secondary highway 633. We provide free bussing for Sturgeon County families from various daycares in St. Albert to our school.



Our kindergarten program

We support you and your child

At Sturgeon Heights School, we believe early childhood is a significant period in human development; when independence, initiative, decision-making, creativity, learning ability, relating to others and feelings of self-worth all begin.

Staggered entrance is implemented at the beginning of the school year, to provide an opportunity for your child to be introduced to the kindergarten setting, as well as meet the teacher and be introduced to new friends.

Our kindergarten classroom

The classroom is a team effort involving children, teachers and parents. Our kindergarten classes have a family feeling where the entire group cares for others and the room. We consider parents to be strong partners in their child's success and welcome parent participation in the classroom.

Also, we create classrooms that are fun learning spaces with an activity centred approach. Students participate in centres, field trips, activities, music and technology to best impact their potential as learners. Through hands-on and interactive learning experiences, students begin to develop the skills necessary for educational success.



**Our
kindergarten
program operates
two full days
per week for
each class.**

Programs we're proud of

At Sturgeon Heights School, we make an effort to meet the needs of all our students.

Headstart Program

- For children between the ages of 3½ and 5 who would benefit from extensive early childhood readiness skills
- Helps prepare children for kindergarten and provides a foundation for later success
- Families are also given support on how to continue educational success at home

Gifted and Talented Program

- For children between the ages of 3½ and 5 who are developmentally advanced
- Focuses on academic enrichment
- Includes opportunities for gross motor development (yoga, dance, etc.)
- Exposes children to music, art, books and second languages
- Encourages community involvement
- Influenced by the Reggio Emilia philosophy, which supports that children – from birth – are full of potential and require adult facilitation to explore and develop that potential
- Note: This program is expanding into grade 1 in 2011-2012.



Our unique programs offer opportunities for every student to explore and enjoy.

Helping children achieve success in education.

Kindergarten learning areas

Our kindergarten program follows the guidelines of Alberta Education. The curriculum is organized in six themes with learner expectations in the following areas:



**English
Language Arts**

Mathematics

**Community and
Environmental
Awareness**

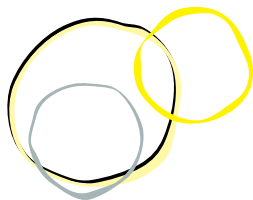


**Personal
and Social
Responsibility**

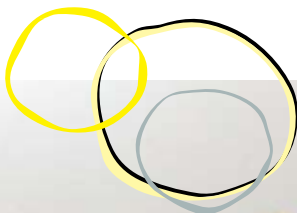
**Physical Skills
and Well-being**

**Creative
and Cultural
Expression**

Kindergarten learner skills



- Literacy and numeracy skills are taught in a positive, safe, enthusiastic environment.
- Specific learner outcomes are presented through a variety of themed units such as safety, dinosaurs and fairy tales.
- Children are provided opportunities to learn about and practice specified learner outcomes using the centre approach.
- Children develop an awareness of their unique individuality and worth.
- Positive play activities provide opportunities for your child to develop a solid foundation of first-hand experiences and basic knowledge upon which to build and grow.
- A sense of self and community is explored and permeates the entire day.





Tours of the school are available for prospective parents.

Contact us!



For more information about our kindergarten programs, please contact us.

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Sturgeon Heights School is proud to be part of Sturgeon School Division

Sturgeon School Division serves the needs of approximately 5,000 students in 15 schools throughout Sturgeon County and several bordering municipalities.

For more information visit www.sturgeon.ab.ca

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