

## The Mary Bergeron Elementary Kindergarten Program

- ◆ Is led by experienced and caring teachers.
- ◆ Provides a stimulating learning environment.
- ◆ Is a welcoming environment for both students and parents.
- ◆ Offers Speech Language Pathologist and Occupational Therapist support.
- ◆ Supports student growth through active learning and exploration.
- ◆ Includes a Phys. Ed. and Music specialist.
- ◆ Offers a Family School Liaison Counsellor on site.
- ◆ Develops and celebrates the unique gifts of each child.
- ◆ Offers a variety of field trips and special activities.
- ◆ Focuses on Early Literacy and Numeracy skills.



## SUCCESS BEGINS HERE

Through hands-on activities and play,  
Kindergarten students develop the building  
blocks for successful, lifelong learning.

### Mary Bergeron Elementary

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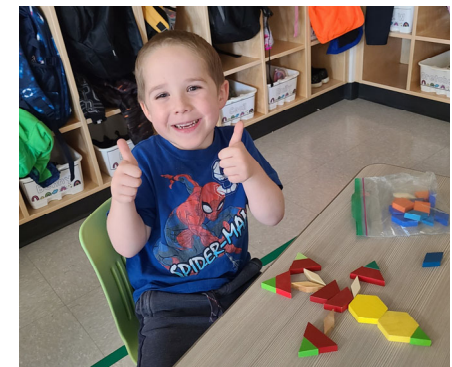
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**Mary Bergeron Elementary**

**“Every Student;  
A Success Story”**

**Kindergarten  
2023-2024**



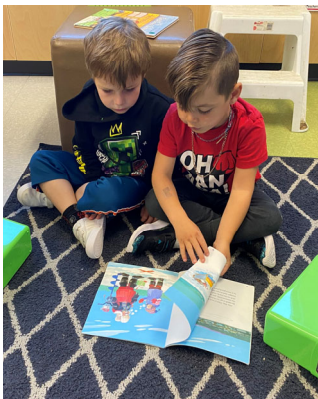
**We Play, Learn, and Grow Together  
at Mary Bergeron Elementary**

Full day Kindergarten is a wonderful opportunity to build a strong foundation for life-long learning.

Mary Bergeron Elementary's program follows the Alberta Education "Kindergarten Program Statement." There are seven learning areas that meet the needs of young students and provide a foundation for further learning:

- ◆ Early Literacy
- ◆ Early Numeracy
- ◆ Citizenship & Identity
- ◆ Environment & Community Awareness
- ◆ Personal & Social Responsibility
- ◆ Physical Skills & Well Being
- ◆ Creative Expression

The expectations of these learning elements are interrelated. Young children learn in an integrated way through instructional activities. The Kindergarten program builds on the rich learning your child achieves in the home and the community.



### When can my child start Kindergarten?

Your child can start Kindergarten in September of the year that they become 5 years old. That means that if your child was born in 2018, they can start Kindergarten in September 2023.

### How do I register my child?

**Online Registration** for the 2023-2024 school year will be accessible on February 13, 2023 through the registration portal on our school website ([www.mbelementary.gypsd.ca](http://www.mbelementary.gypsd.ca)). A copy of your child's birth certificate can be uploaded at the time of registration, or it can be brought to the school to be photocopied.

### When does my child start Kindergarten?

For the first two weeks of school, our Kindergarten students start with a staggered entry. As a smaller group, they will learn the routines and get familiar with their new environment. You can expect a phone call from your child's teacher the week before school starts, to let you how the Kindergarten staggered-start process works.

### What days will my child attend?

After the staggered start, Kindergarten students will attend full school days, from Monday to Friday.

Play promotes healthy physical, social, emotional, language and cognitive development.

Children are natural learners, full of wonder and curiosity about their world.

### What supplies will my child need in Kindergarten?

Inside shoes (Velcro fasteners or slip-on) with non-marking soles, lunch kit, backpack, and a box of tissues. All other supplies will be provided by the school.

### Is transportation provided for my child?

To determine your child's eligibility or to register for the school bus, please check the Transportation Department on [www.gypsd.ca](http://www.gypsd.ca).

### Can we visit the school before Kindergarten starts?

You can get a glimpse into the school and our programming by watching our video, 'This is MBE' on our website. You can also attend one of our open house dates:

## Kindergarten Open House

**February 13, 2023  
or March 2, 2023  
10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.**

