

FIRESIDE FOCUS



Fireside Focus – August 22, 2025

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Upcoming Dates

- Monday, August 25th - - Office Staff is available all week from 8:00-2:45
- Tuesday, August 26th - - All staff return and prepare for student's first day
- Wednesday, August 27th - - Class lists can be viewed in PowerSchool

- Friday, August 29th - - Pancake breakfast and open house
- Tuesday, September 2nd - - FIRST DAY OF STAGGERED ENTRY GRADES 1-8 - - Students with last names A to K
- Wednesday, September 3rd - - SECOND DAY OF STAGGERED ENTRY GRADES 1-8 - - Students with last names L-Z
- Thursday, September 4th - - FIRST DAY OF CLASSES FOR EVERYONE



From the Admin Desk

Hello Fireside Families,

We Are Back!!!

We hope that everyone has had a great summer and that you have found ample opportunities to connect as a family and create some great memories. We would like to welcome Breanna Baxter to our Office Team, as the new K-4 Assistant Principal. We have been together all week connecting and planning for another great year at Fireside school!

Below you will see a few important pieces of information that will help you to know what is coming your way in the next week, as well as some general reminders.

We hope you all have a great weekend!

Dave Banderk (Principal)

Breanna Baxter (Assistant Principal, Grades K-4)

Kirsty Reade (Assistant Principal, Grades 5-8)

Welcome New Staff!

We're excited to welcome a number of new staff members to the Fireside Family.

K-4 Assistant Principal - Breanna Baxter

Grade 1 Teacher – Julita Gorczyca

Grade 2 Teacher – Amber Mrak

Grade 2 Teacher – Lindsay Wells

Grade 7 Teacher – Rebecca Campbell



Class Placements

On Wednesday, August 27th after 12:00pm, families will be able to login to the PowerSchool Portal and see their student's teacher(s). For students in the older grades, the homeroom teacher will be listed along with any other teachers they will have this year.

- To AccessTeacher Information for the 2025-2026 year you will need to login to the PowerSchool Parent Portal at www.ps.rockyview.ab.ca. Select your student, go to Grades and Attendance in the navigation menu on the left, click on the Standard Grades tab, and select the 2025-2026 school year from the drop down. Please note for grades 6, 7,

and 8, options courses are still being finalized and will not be visible until the first week of school. If you need support accessing your PowerSchool Portal please use the [RockyView Website](#)

Kindergarten Families: your child's teacher will be reaching out to you personally to let you know how the first few days will unfold for your students.

Grades 1-8: Please see the staggered entry dates for your students above, under "Upcoming Dates"



Entry Door Locations

- Main Doors: Kindergarten, Grade 1, Grade 3
- Doors by Bus Lane: Grade 6, 8-1 & 8-2
- Portable by Parking Lot (Facing Playground): Grade 2
- Compound Door: Grade 4, 7-3, 7/8, 8-3
- New Portables - Door Facing Compound: 7-1, 7-2
- New Portables - Door Facing Kiss&Drop: Grade 5

Open House & Pancake Breakfast

Please come join us on Friday, August 29th from 10:00am-12:00pm where you are able to come into the school and see your child's classroom. We encourage you to explore the building and

see all the spaces we have available for learning here at Fireside. The newest portables are ready for us, so the building is looking good and ready for kid energy!

Pancakes will be served, along with a juice box and coffee, so come and connect with the community! We are hoping to hold this outside on the compound, similar to last year, so bring lawn chairs or a picnic blanket, and stay to visit with each other.

Students do need to come with a family member as staff will not be supervising areas, rather they will be in their classrooms, or outside visiting, meeting their new family members!



PowerSchool Updates Needed

We want to take the time to remind families to go into your PowerSchool Portal and ensure all forms and information are updated. Please use the link to [RVS PowerSchool](#) if you need support with accessing your account.

Annual Authorizations and Re-enrolment Verification forms are **due by September 8th**.

- Annual Authorization and Re-enrolment verification forms have been assigned in SchoolEngage. To access School Engage, log in to your PowerSchool Parent Portal, expand the menu on the left hand side, and at the bottom of the Navigation menu along the left side, select School Engage. It will say you have incomplete forms. When switching to subsequent children, you may have to select Exit to Main PS Site to get back to that home screen.

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