



Nicholson Elementary News

"Home of the Nicholson Nighthawks"

School District No. 6 Rocky Mountain

August 25, 2025

Principal's Perspective

Nicholson Elementary is a welcoming, happy place to be.

We are a community of Life Long Learners who connect, synergize, and positively influence each other and the world around us.

We strive for success today and prepare for success tomorrow.

Welcome Day

Wednesday September 3, 2025

8:45-3:17pm

Grade 1-7

PLEASE KEEP THE SCHOOL SUPPLIES AT HOME

Bussing:

Busses will be running at regular scheduled times. Please refer to the SD6 website for more information

<https://www.sd6.bc.ca/download/369688>

Pancake Breakfast 9-10:30am

Parents and families are welcome to attend. (Kindergarten families are also welcome to come for breakfast before their meet and greet times.)

Short Assembly outside, weather permitting.

Children will then be broke into multi-aged groups and will rotate to classrooms through out the day. Giving them an opportunity to meet the staff and make new friends.

Dear Nicholson Elementary School families,

I'd like to introduce myself as the new principal of Nicholson Elementary School. My name is Blaine Broderick, and I'm honored to join this wonderful school community.

Nicholson has a strong reputation for nurturing student growth, and I'm committed to continuing that tradition while working closely with staff, students, and families. I believe in open communication, collaboration, and creating a safe, inclusive environment where every child can thrive.

A little about me. Prior to moving to Golden in 2016, I spent 17 years at Tumbler Ridge Secondary School, in Tumbler Ridge, BC. While in Tumbler Ridge, I taught Math and Science and eventually became part of the leadership team at that school. I was principal of Lady Grey Elementary School from 2016-2025, and I am now looking forward to being part of this learning community.

I want to wish Ms. Reinders the best as she begins a new position at Alexander Park Elementary School. I know I have some big shoes to fill. I am asking you to be patient with me as I get to know students, staff, families and learn about the routines and culture at Nicholson Elementary School.

I look forward to meeting you and your children in the coming weeks. Please don't hesitate to reach out—I'm here to support you and ensure a successful school year for all.

This week the school is open Monday to Thursday until 3:30pm and Friday until noon.

Warm regards,

Blaine Broderick (he, him)
Rocky Mountain School District
Principal
Nicholson Elementary School
250-344-2370

CLEVR— SCHOOL START UP FORM -NOW OPEN

<https://www.clevrcloud.ca/clevr/>

We need to have all PARENT/GUARDIANS to sign into CLEVR and confirm contact information and ADD emergency contacts.

What is an Emergency Contact?

Parents will always be our first contact (don't add yourselves)

Emergency contacts can be neighbors, friends, other school parents and relatives in our area is preferred.

Why do we need to do this each year?

We do not have access to LAST years emergency contacts, so it is so important to list everyone who can pick up your child from school in cases of illness, missed buses or other school emergencies.

Personal Technology

Cell phones, laptops, gaming devices and tablets

We ask that students put any personal technology devices into their backpacks from the time they enter school property, until they leave school property. They are not to be left in clothing pockets or their desk. Students are not to use any personal technology devices during lunch or recess. We ask if there is a message to be given to your child, that you phone the school and we will deliver the message at appropriate times. Thanks for your support in this matter.



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

School Hours of Operation:

MONDAY—THURSDAY SCHOOL BEGINS: 8:45 AM

SCHOOL ENDS: 3:17 PM

FRIDAYS

SCHOOL BEGINS: 8:45 AM

SCHOOL ENDS: 12:04 PM

Morning Drop Off: Please drop bottom of the stairs, no earlier than 8:30am, children are to walk around the school and **not through the parking lot.**

Late students : Please come in the front door and let the office know they have arrived.

Please remember to call the office if your child will be away ie: sick, holidays, appointments or going to be late. Sometimes sicknesses may go on for a few days, please remember to call each day, or send an email. The Administrative Assistant will be calling if your child hasn't been accounted for.

Dropping off lunch or backpack: Please bring it to the front office and not to the classroom.

Picking up your child for an appointments or illness: Feel free to park in the designated handicap parking spot beside the schools front door. You must come to the front office for pick up. Children are not let out to meet at the bottom the stairs.

After school pick up: If your child is being picked up by someone other than the regular pick up person, please let the office and or teacher know.



WE ARE A NUT FREE AND SCENT FREE



Fragrance Free Zone
Please help us to accommodate those who are completely sensitive to fragrances and other scented products.

Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather both inside and out.

Please ensure your child comes to school with running shoes for outdoor activities.

PLEASE LABEL THEIR OUTERWEAR, SHOES AND WATER BOTTLES

This allows ease for identification when items are found on the playground or in the classroom. We do not have a 'Lost and Found'.



Terry Fox Run

Friday September 25th



We have always had a very successful Terry Fox Run here at Nicholson. Our students have the opportunity to learn about Terry and his foundation in the classroom before going outside for their walk.

We have 91 students here this year and our goal, once again, is \$2 per student. For each donation, the student gets an entry into the Terry Fox t-shirt draw.



Truth and Reconciliation Day

Tuesday, September 30th (No School)



Truth and Reconciliation Day (September 30th) is a day when we honor and remember the Indigenous children who were sent away to residential schools in Canada. Giving us the opportunity to learn more about the history of those schools.

Truth and Reconciliation Day is also an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.

Orange Shirt Day: Monday Sept 29th. We encourage all students and staff to honor those Indigenous children who were sent away to residential schools, by wearing an orange shirt or any orange clothing.

SCHOOL AGENDA'S (Grades 1-7)

YOUR CHILD'S AGENDA IS AN IMPORTANT TOOL IT CONTAINS:

*correspondence between yourself and the teacher

*notices and forms from the office to fill and return back

*important reminders of upcoming events

*the front pages have information about Nicholson Elementary

*****PLEASE HELP YOUR CHILD REMEMBER TO BRING IT HOME EVERY EVENING SO YOU CAN CHECK IT, AND THEN ENCOURAGE THEM TO BRING IT TO SCHOOL EVERY MORNING*****

Parent Advisory Meeting

TBD

NICHOLSON SCHOOL LIBRARY

Any Parent or Guardian may attend these meetings. You are welcome to bring your children.



PICTURE DAY

Tuesday
SEPTEMBER 16TH

Smiles

Strong Start

Monday-Friday @ Alexander Park Elementary 9:15–11:45am

Strong Start is a free Program for caregivers and their children age birth to 5 years

Registration is required with Birth Certificate and medical number.

Call or email to register or book your spot:

Alexander Park Elementary School

Jennifer.elliott@sd6.bc.ca 250-344-5513

To learn more, contact Melanie Myers, Community Literacy Outreach Coordinator—Golden

mmyers@cbl.org 250-290-0102



Thank you

Rotary Club of Golden



**Who will be graciously coming out and cooking us a
scrumptious pancake breakfast for our first day of school.**

VOLUNTEERING

If you would like to volunteer to go on field trips or be in your child's class room you are

required to complete the **Child Abuse Protocol Training** **ONLINE**

<https://www.sd6.bc.ca/parents>

You are also required to have a **Criminal Record Check** done with the RCMP.

This will be valid for 5 years. Please contact the Administrative Assistant for more information and links to complete this process.

Watch your email for the start date of the:

BREAKFAST CLUB

The kitchen is open at 8:30am–8:45am

All students are welcome to come in through the side door and remove their shoes and go into the gym. They then leave through the side door and walk around the school to the playground.

SEPTEMBER

2025

<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>
	Labour Day No School	Administration Day No School	Pancake Breakfast 9-10:30am Kindergarten Meet and Greet Grade 1-7 8:45-3:17pm	Kindergarten 8:45-10:45am	Kindergarten 8:45-10:45am Regular Friday's 8:45-12:04pm	
<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>
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	Kindergarten whole day starts 8:45-3:17pm	 Picture Day				
<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>
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<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>Oct 1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
	 Orange Shirt Day	Truth and Reconciliation Day <u>NO SCHOOL</u>				