INSPIRING LEARNING

Our schools are preparing students for the future by providing them with opportunities to explore and grow as learners in a safe, caring, and positive environment. Your role as a parent is vitally important in supporting your child as they enter Kindergarten. You can prepare your child by helping them build skills such as:

- Dressing and undressing themselves with minimal help
- Following three-step directions
- Telling stories and recounting events in sequential order
- Explaining what is happening in a picture when asked
- Taking turns and sharing with other children in small groups
- Sitting and listening to stories for 5-10 minutes
- Identifying their name and some letters of the alphabet
- Counting objects up to 10
- The ability to name some colours, shapes, and numbers

WANT MORE INFORMATION?

Contact the public school in your neighbourhood to arrange a visit to a Kindergarten classroom.

Visit our website www.saskatoonpublicschools.ca to learn more about our schools and our school division.

Children can start Kindergarten in September if they will be at least five years of age by January 31 of the following year.

To help parents choose the right Kindergarten for their child, many schools hold parent information nights in January. Parents may also contact the school of their choice for more information or an opportunity to visit our Kindergarten classes and meet our teachers.
OUR KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

Our elementary schools offer a literacy-enhanced Kindergarten program that fosters students' understanding of letters, numbers, and writing skills. Our Kindergarten classes encourage individualized education through play and exploration. Our program follows the provincial curriculum, which includes teaching in Arts Education, English Language Arts, Health, Math, Physical Education, Science, and Social Studies.

English-language Kindergarten programs are available at all schools, with the exception of École Henry Kelsey and École Victoria. French Immersion instruction is available at nine schools. Confederation Park Community School offers the Nêhiyâwiwin Cree Language and Culture Program. The Métis Cultural Program at Westmount Community School provides Kindergarten instruction from a Métis perspective.

For students attending half-day kindergarten programs, a number of our schools host kinder care or daycare programs that provide care for students during the remainder of the day. Check with your school for more information.