

**School Hours**

Welcoming Bell 8:55 a.m.

Classes Begin 9:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.

11:55 a.m. – 12:35 p.m. Lunch

12:35 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

# John Diefenbaker Public School

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# October 2024

**PLEASE REPORT ALL ABSENCES THROUGH EDSBY: [SRSD119.EDSBY.COM](https://jd-srsd119.ca/)**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 <i>Clan Shirt/Clan Color Day</i>	2	3	4 <i>Canteen</i>
7 Grade 6 Immunizations  Dance Workshop	8 <b>Picture Day</b>  <i>Clan Shirt/Clan Color Day</i>	9 <b>Picture Day</b>  OSAC Presentation 2:00	10	11 <i>PLC</i> <i>No Classes</i>
14 <i>No Classes</i> 	15 <i>Clan Shirt/Clan Color Day</i>	16	17 <i>Hot lunch</i> <i>Forms Due</i>	18 <i>Canteen</i>
21	22 <b>BP's Hot Lunch</b>  <i>School Community</i> <i>Council Meeting 6:00</i> <i>Clan Shirt/Clan Color Day</i>	23	24	25 <i>Canteen</i>
28	29	30	31  <i>Black &amp; Orange Day</i>	

During instructional time, 8:55 am–3:30 pm, we ask that all families and visitors check in at the office. If assistance is required, we will help your student get to their classroom. We want to ensure we are protecting instructional time for teachers during the day. If you need to speak with one of the teachers, consider sending an Edsby message to communicate with teachers or to request a meeting. Thanks for your cooperation in helping our teachers navigate the day to maximize student learning.

## STUDENT PICK-UP/DROP-OFF

For the safety of our staff and students, the **staff parking lot is not a pick-up or drop-off point.** Help us to keep our children safe!

### Important information about Bussing:

Any students needing the school bus this fall must be registered. It only takes 2 to 3 minutes and is very easy to do. Registrations do not have to be done every year, but a student must be re-registered if their information (such as school, address or contact info) is changing. If you are not sure if you already have registered, please give us a call at the number below or simply register again. Doing so now will ensure your child is placed on the proper bus for the first day of school. Not registering on time could delay having your child assigned a bus several days into the new school year.

Click here <https://www3.srsd119.ca/busgarage/transport/request.php> or type "Sask Rivers School Division" or "SRSD119" in a search engine (we recommend Google). Scrolling down you will find the "Transportation" section with some helpful tools like a bus notification set up and the "School Busing Request Form".

If you have any questions, please contact the Transportation Department at 306 763-2323.

Because our fountains have been converted to bottle filling stations, please ensure you send a water bottle to school with your child. Like utensils, we do not supply cups.

### Lunch Hour

Please provide necessary utensils in your children's lunches. We do not distribute utensils. Also, the school has no microwaves to heat up lunches.

### RETURN OF THE STINGER CANTEEN!!

Starting **Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**, John Diefenbaker will bring back the Stinger Canteen!!! We want to provide you with some information on when and how it will operate, and an idea of what will be available.

*\*If you are a parent of one of our younger students, we ask that if you send money, **PLEASE** send it in an enclosed bag or envelope with their name written clearly on or inside the bag. If possible, please also try to write down their order ahead of time on a small piece of paper or post-it note.*

**WHEN?** Our canteen will run every **Friday** (it will NOT be open any other day of the week). It will open at the start of lunch recess and will run until the end of lunch.

**WHERE?** Come to the library at the start of your lunch period.

**WHAT?** We will always have a few varieties of Doritos/Chips to choose from, and the same goes for pizza. We will have cheese and pepperoni until supplies last. Some selections may change over time, but this is what we'll be starting with:

Hotrods - \$1	Bottled Water - \$1
Yogurt Tube - \$1	Juice Box - \$1
Ice Cream Sandwich - \$1	Gatorade - \$2.50
Chips/Doritos - \$1	Pizza (Pepperoni or Cheese) - \$2.50

### Allergen Aware: Reduce the Risk

*There are children in our school with severe life-threatening food allergies (anaphylaxis) to nuts and peanuts. This medical condition can result in death within minutes. Although this may or may not affect your child's class directly, we ask that any foods you send to school with your child be free from nut or peanut products. More information about anaphylaxis is available at the school. Please contact us. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.*

# Edsby Parent Information

Please watch this 2-minute video: <https://tinyurl.com/mr26cv4b>

- If you have not received an Edsby invitation email from your school, please contact your school.
- You will receive an invitation for each child that is enrolled in our school division.
- You will only need to create one account.

## Do I have to use a computer to use Edsby?

Edsby works on all browsers, iOS, and Android devices. For more information on using Edsby on smartphones and tablets: <https://tinyurl.com/2tx3dam4>

If you download the **Edsby App** for your mobile device, you will need to enter this code "srsd119" to connect to our Saskatchewan Rivers School Division server.



Submitting Student Absences - 1 min 30 second video and written instructions: <https://tinyurl.com/mv3nth8k>

Managing Your Notifications - You decide when you receive emails or alerts as updates are made within Edsby. Instructions: <https://tinyurl.com/29uehnwf>

Communicating with Your Child's Teachers - How to message your child's teachers through Edsby. Instructions: <https://tinyurl.com/yc7cjws3>

Viewing Your Child's Grades and Assignments through My Work - Edsby enables parents to stay up to date on their child's homework and assignments, as well as monitor how they are doing in each class. Instructions: <https://tinyurl.com/3744e424>

Edsby Privacy Policy: <https://edsby.com/privacy-policy/>

## What are the benefits of using Edsby?

Edsby is a great way to support your child at school. Edsby pulls together information about each of your children and presents it in a clear, easy-to-understand format. Parents are an important part of the school's family. For each of your children – even if they go to different schools – you'll see all their teachers and classes. Some teachers will assign work through Edsby and if they do, you will be able to see academic progress, upcoming assessments, and current assessments. Each child has a calendar that will display tests and events from their classes and groups, if the teachers are entering the information. Parents may also see what teachers are posting in a class to support their child.

## What do I do if I forget my password? Where do I get help or support on how to use Edsby?

On the Edsby login screen, there is a link for Can't Log In. Click on this and enter your email address that you used when you registered for Edsby. An email will be sent with instructions to follow. For more help with forgotten passwords: <https://tinyurl.com/2p936exd>

## Benefits to Registering Today for SchoolCash Online

A new approach to paying for your child's school items and activity fees. No matter what your child's school experience, ensure your school to home communication is not disrupted.

Create an account today, and pay the fees using the SchoolCash Online contactless solution.

### Key benefits

- Receive email notifications of new fees or items available for purchase.
- Check your account history and view and print receipts.
- Pay for school fees anytime, anywhere, with a simple click, using the contactless solution.
- Keep track of your child's school items and activity fees and manage all students in your household from one location.

### How to register

1. Go to <https://srsg119.schoolcashonline.com> and click Register.

- a. Type your first name, last name, and email address, and create a password.
- b. Select a security question.
- c. Select YES to receive email notifications. You will not receive any marketing emails. Selecting YES enables the system to send you fee notifications.

2. SchoolCash Online will send you a confirmation email. If you don't receive it, check your Spam folder.

3. Use your email address and password to log in.

### How to add students to your account

1. Sign in to SchoolCash Online:

<https://srsg119.schoolcashonline.com>

2. At the top of the page, navigate to MY ACCOUNT.

3. From the dropdown menu, select My Students.

4. Click to add a student:

- a. Type in your School Board Name.
- b. Select your school name from the list.
- c. Enter student details. The system is fully secure, with PCI certification.
- d. Click Confirm.

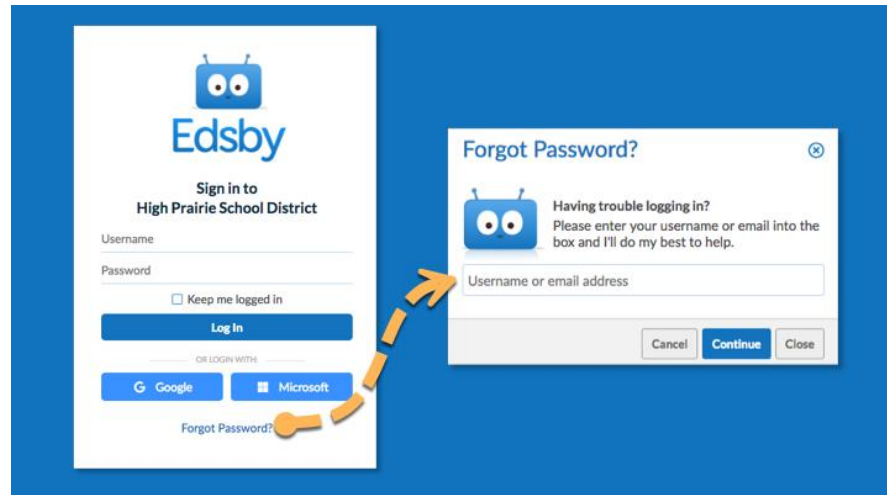
You may add up to eight students on your profile.

### How to make a payment

1. You will be able to view any available items attached to your students that are set up on your account.
2. Select the item which you would like to purchase and click "Add to Cart."
3. Once you have finished adding items to your cart, select "Check Out" to make a payment.

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**JDPS Breakfast Program  
2024-2025**

A nutritious breakfast will be served in the mentor room from  
**8:30-8:55am**

At JDPS, we believe in creating a safe and welcoming environment. We strive to ensure all students have the necessary nutrition to be successful at school.

**Reminder:**  
Electronic Devices  
are not permitted during class time

**How will this help?**

- ✓ Removing Distraction
- ✓ Improve focus & Engagement
- ✓ Reduce anxiety caused by constant connectivity
- ✓ Promote face-to-face interactions

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Excellence for Every Learner

**official John Diefenbaker Public School shop!**

Customize your own JD merchandise at <https://jdps.entripyshops.com/>. Adult and youth sizes available.



## Community News

Prince Albert Childcare Co-operative Association is pleased to offer before and after school care at John Diefenbaker Public School. We offer screen-free programming with a combination of active and academic play. Breakfast and snacks are included. Full day care is available on non-school days.

We have a variety of rates to best suit your needs:

Full time ----- \$375.00

-includes before school and after school care and all non-school days

Mornings only ----- \$125.00

After school only ----- \$250.00

Casual rates (Morning) ----- \$10.00

After School ----- \$15.00



Call 306-930-7511 for availability.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Saskatchewan Health covers the cost of annual eye exams for all children under the age of 18



#### ? When should my child receive their first eye exam?

We recommend that children have their first eye exam between 6 and 9 months of age.

#### ? How often should my child get their eyes examined?

Once between 6 and 9 months, once between the ages 2 and 5, and annually after the age of 5.

To find an optometrist near you, or for more information, visit

[childrensvision.ca](http://childrensvision.ca)



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**FREE Youth OPEN STUDIO**  
at the Margo Fournier Arts Centre on Central

**ABOUT FREE YOUTH OPEN STUDIO**  
A free, drop-in art class for youth ages 7 - 18! Explore various art materials in each class through different art projects including drawing, printmaking, watercolour, acrylic painting, sculpture, and more! All supplies and instruction provided. This program is made possible by the generosity of the Prince Albert Council for the Arts.

**SESSION 1:**  
**AGES 7 - 13**  
Thursdays from Sept. 12 — Dec. 19, 2024  
5:00 pm — 6:30 pm  
Emma J. Anderson & Harmony Johnson-Harder

**SESSION 2:**  
**AGES 14 - 18**  
Thursdays from Sept. 12 — Dec. 19, 2024  
6:30 pm — 8 pm  
Emma J. Anderson & Harmony Johnson-Harder

Pre-register by scanning the QR code with your smartphone or visit:  
<https://bit.ly/youth-open-studio>

**Margo Fournier Arts Centre**  
1010 Central Ave, Prince Albert, SK  
1 (306) 953-4811  
mfac@citypa.com

**Winter Arts Centre Hours**  
Monday—Thursday 9AM—5PM  
Friday 9AM—5PM  
Saturday 10AM—4:30PM  
Sunday CLOSED

**PRINCE ALBERT COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS**  
**City of Prince Albert**





## 2024 Municipal and In-City School Boards Election NOVEMBER 13

### Work the Election

The City of Prince Albert hires for a variety of election positions:

- Supervisory Deputy Returning Officer - \$20.50/h
- Deputy Returning Officer - \$17.50/h
- Poll Clerk - \$15.50/h

All workers must attend one paid training session lasting approximately three hours on a specified date at a specified location.

Supervisory Deputy Returning Officers may be required to attend another paid training session.

Visit [www.pavotes.ca](http://www.pavotes.ca) for more details and to apply!

### City Mayor, Councillor, and In-City School Board Trustee Nomination Packages Available

Any person interested in becoming an elected official or school board trustee, is encouraged to read the 2024 Candidate Guide in full to understand what is required to be an elected official, including qualifications, nomination process, sign regulations and links. Please see The Local Government Election Act, 2015 and the City's Election Bylaw for complete details on the election process on [www.pavotes.ca](http://www.pavotes.ca)

- **Nomination Date Open: September 23, 2024**
- **Nomination Closing Date: October 9, 2024 at 4 pm**
- **For specific details on the responsibilities of School Board Trustees visit:**

- Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division:  
[www.srsd119.ca](http://www.srsd119.ca)

Learn more about the upcoming Municipal Election! Scan the QR code with your phone camera. Or visit: [www.pavotes.ca](http://www.pavotes.ca)



## School Board Election Wednesday, November 13, 2024

The school division is divided into ONE (1) CITY SUBDIVISION in which FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS are to be elected and FIVE (5) RURAL SUBDIVISIONS in which ONE (1) BOARD MEMBER from each subdivision is to be elected.

### Qualifications of Candidates....

A person is eligible to be nominated as a candidate for and hold office as a BOARD MEMBER for a school division if the person:

- is a voter of the school division on the day of the election;
- is a Canadian citizen at the time he or she submits his or her nomination paper; and
- has resided:
  - in the school division for at least three consecutive months immediately preceding the date on which he or she submitted the nomination paper; and
  - in Saskatchewan for at least six consecutive months immediately preceding the date on which he or she submitted the nomination paper.

A candidate may choose to run in the IN-CITY SUBDIVISION AREA or ONE of the FIVE OUT-OF-CITY AREAS of the school division, regardless of his or her residency in the division; however, he or she must obtain signatures of voters of only that subdivision area in which he or she intends to run.

### Nomination Forms....

A person may be nominated as a candidate for election by filing a nomination paper in the prescribed form, signed by ten voters residing in the subdivision in which he or she intends to run.

### Filing Nomination Papers....

Nominations will be received by election officials during regular office hours from September 23 until October 8 and on **Nomination Day, Wednesday, the 9th day of October, 2024** from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the following locations:

- **Rural Subdivisions:** at the Education Centre, Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division No. 119 545 - 11<sup>th</sup> Street East, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan S6V 1B1 (regular office hours are 8:00 a.m. until noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.)
- **In-City Subdivisions:** at the City of Prince Albert, 1084 Central Avenue, Prince Albert S6V 7P3 (regular office hours are 8:00 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.)

Nomination papers may be submitted personally or by agent by personal service, by registered mail, by ordinary mail, by fax, by email or as otherwise specified by the returning officer and must be accompanied by a non-refundable deposit of \$100 or by a certified cheque or money order in that amount made payable to the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division.

For more information visit us at [www.srsd119.ca](http://www.srsd119.ca)

## Be a Candidate!

Authorized by: David Fildes, Returning Officer  
545 - 11 Street East, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan S6V 1B1