

Western School Division
KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION
SEPTEMBER 2024

We will begin accepting Kindergarten registrations for the 2024-2025 school year on Friday, January 19, 2024. We would like to have the majority of registrations in by Friday, January 26, 2024. Parents are requested to register their children at the appropriate school office between 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Please enrol in the school within whose catchment area your residence is located. If you wish to attend a different school, your request will then be considered. Requests are considered on a priority basis. Please see “Attending the School of Your Choice” below for more information. An exception we make is that parents who have older children currently at the K-3 level may enrol their beginning Kindergarten child at the same school. We attempt to keep families together when possible.

Children born in 2019 or earlier are eligible to enrol. We also ask families who are not enrolling their Kindergarten age children in a school program to let us know. We need to be aware of possible future enrolments.

Information Session

Western School Division will be hosting a Kindergarten Parent Information Session on Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at Maple Leaf Elementary School. We look forward to seeing all the new Kindergarten parents on this evening.

Elementary School Organization

Maple Leaf Elementary School , Minnewasta School, and École Discovery Trails are for early years (Kindergarten to Grade 4) students. Middle years (Grades 5 to 8) students attend École Morden Middle School or École Discovery Trails.

English Kindergarten Program

The English Kindergarten program is arranged in half-day, every day classes at **Minnewasta School , Maple Leaf Elementary School** and **École Discovery Trails** in both the morning and afternoon.

French Immersion Program

Early years (K to 4) **French Immersion Program** (FI) is offered at École Discovery Trails. This Kindergarten program is arranged in half-day, every day classes.

Attending the School of Your Choice

Provincial legislation permits parents to choose which school to send their child to, including schools outside of their home division. However, schools must accept students on a priority basis.

- First, students within that school’s catchment area as designated by the Division.
- Second, students residing in the School Division.
- Last, students from outside the Division.

Space, program availability, and the general well-being of other students will be considered in making the final decision about school of choice applications.

*****For the first two years that it is open (2024-25, 2025-26), the division is restricting school of choice into École Discovery Trails.***

Catchment areas are designated as follows:

Minnewasta School – 1 Academy Drive, Morden (English program only)

- All areas south of South Railway St. as well as the area south of Hwy 3 and west of Mountain St.
- All rural students.

Maple Leaf Elementary School – 225-12th Street, Morden (English program only)

- Area north of North Railway St. and east of Mountain St.

École Discovery Trails – 1079 Parkhill Street, Morden (English & French Immersion programs)

- All French Immersion students.
- The area north of Hwy 3 and west of Mountain St.

Information

For Kindergarten program and registration information please check the division or school websites or call the schools directly. For more specific French Immersion program information, please call Maple Leaf School.

Please provide a copy of a document to prove the child’s birth date (such as a birth certificate) when registering.

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Mr. Geoff Sutton, Principal, Minnewasta School

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