



March 17, 2016

Eric Harvie School important information

Re: Change to school opening date

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Calgary Board of Education (CBE) wants to inform you that the opening date for Eric Harvie School has been changed due to delays in the construction process. The school will now open in January 2017. We understand that a change in schools mid-year can be difficult for families.

Students will attend Tuscany School from September 2016 – December 2016. After giving considerable thought to all of the options, we have concluded that the best transition for students, parents and staff will be accomplished by placing students who are designated to Eric Harvie School in classes together with the teacher(s) who will move with them. Once at the new school, the most significant change for students will be their new surroundings as classmates, teachers and learning will remain the same.

We know that there will be some challenges in accommodating all those students at Tuscany School, but believe that this is the best temporary option for students and families. Students will be in their community and it will hopefully make long-term child care planning easier for parents. The two school principals will work together with staff, students and parents to create the best learning environment for students

The grade configuration schedule that we shared with you in December will not change as a result of the delayed opening.

Grade configurations for schools serving Tuscany:

School Name	School Year	Grades
Eric Harvie School	2016 -17	K–Grade 3
Eric Harvie School	2017-18 & Beyond	K-Grade 4
Tuscany School	2016-17 & Beyond	K–Grade 4
Twelve Mile Coulee School	2016-17 & Beyond	Grade 5–Grade 9

Will my child attend Eric Harvie School or Tuscany School?

Please see the attached map showing attendance areas within the community for both elementary schools. Kindergarten to Grade 3 students living within the boundary for the new Eric Harvie School will attend that school when it opens.

Eric Harvie School will not offer Grade 4 in its first year. Therefore, students currently in Grade 3 will complete Grade 4 at Tuscany School before attending Twelve Mile Coulee School for Grade 5.

Where do I go to register my child for kindergarten?

All students in the community who are eligible to attend kindergarten in September 2016 are asked to register at Tuscany School. Kindergarten registration is ongoing. Please register your kindergarten child as soon as possible to help us with our planning and preparation for the new school year.

Who is the new school principal?

Lorraine Kinsman is the principal of Eric Harvie School. Lorraine is currently the principal of Cranston School. She will move into her role as principal of Eric Harvie School on April 4, 2016 and will work with her new school community, parents and students to develop a school opening plan. To learn more about Lorraine please visit www.cbe.ab.ca/newschools and click on the Eric Harvie School link.

Can my child take the school bus?

Students who are designated to Eric Harvie School will be eligible for busing to Tuscany School until the new school opens. Transportation fees will only be charged for the months that students are taking the bus. Information regarding transportation services and fees is available on our website at <http://www.cbe.ab.ca/schools/busing-and-transportation/Pages/default.aspx> and through your school.

For the 2016-17 school year, Grade 4 students who are in the boundary for Eric Harvie School and outside of the walk zone for Tuscany School will be provided with transportation services to Tuscany School. Transportation services from the Eric Harvie School boundary to Tuscany School will end June 30, 2017.

What happens if the new school isn't ready to open in January?

We will continue to monitor the construction status of this school. If the opening date changes we will let parents know as soon as possible and will provide information on a contingency plan. For up-to-date information on the construction status of the school, please visit <http://www.cbe.ab.ca/schools/building-and-modernizing-schools/Pages/default.aspx>

We look forward to working with you as we welcome students to their new school.



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Elementary School Attendance Areas for Tuscany

Effective September 2016

