

Fairview Heights Elementary School

Principal: Amy Hunt

Vice Principal: Michael Corbett

Administrative Assistants: Sherry Mitchell (Main Building) & Marwa Dewidar (Annex)

YMCA School Settlement: Zobeida Al-Zobeidy

Upcoming Dates:

Dec 14th: Family Drop-In, 6:00-8:00 (Main Building - Library)

Dec 21-January 1: Holiday Vacation (No School)

January 2, 2024: School reopens!

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@FhesHeights

Facebook: Fairview Heights Elementary School Families

Message to Fairview Heights Families:

Happy December! We want to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to our parent and community volunteers who offer their time and efforts to support student well-being and learning experiences at school! Thank you so much for everything.

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Important Safety Reminder for Families:

School Safety: In support of the safety of students and staff, **all adult visitors to our school** including parents and guardians are reminded that they are **not permitted** to walk freely through school buildings (including portables and modulars). If you have a question or concern, **call or email** the classroom teacher or administration. If you want to talk to someone in a **safe and respectful manner**, you can set up a time to meet or talk. You must buzz the doorbell at both annex and main sites when on site to request to speak to administration. By doing this as a school community, we protect the safety and well-being of all students and staff at all times, and we do not interrupt teaching, learning and routines during the school day. We must work together to keep our learning environment **safe, respectful and calm** for students and staff. Adults who do not follow these protocols will lose access to the school property as well as all communication with the school, as legally advised and enforced by the Halifax Regional Police and the Halifax Regional Centre for Education.

After School Program Coming to FHES!

The YWCA is partnering with our school to offer an after-school care program (and possibly a before-school program). Registration forms will come home by early January, with the program starting February 1st, 2024. If you are interested, complete and return the registration form immediately.



SchoolsPlus Monthly Family Drop-In at Fairview Heights!

FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS
Family Drop in!

COME & ENJOY SOME HOLIDAY FUN!

COOKIE DECORATING
HOLIDAY CRAFTS
GAMES & SNACKS
HOSTED BY SCHOOLSPLUS

WHERE
FHES LIBRARY
MAIN BUILDING,
210 CORONATION AVENUE

WHEN
14TH DECEMBER
6 PM - 8 PM

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**LET'S FINISH 2022 OFF AT
FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS
WITH SOME FUN ACTIVITIES!**

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11TH – WINTER SCENES DAY!

Let's listen to some wintery tunes like "Let It Snow" or "Winter Wonderland" and colour some beautiful winter scenes.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12TH – HOLIDAYS AROUND THE WORLD!

Wear your beautiful cultural clothing and learn about the holidays that are celebrated all over the world!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13TH – WINTER VIRTUAL BINGO!

We will be playing bingo with the entire school from 1:15pm-2:15pm!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14TH – FESTIVE CLOTHING DAY!

Students are invited to wear red and green clothing!
We will be making festive sweater and tie artwork!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15TH – PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

We will be having a whole school Pancake Breakfast in the main gym with the help of the Ambassadors Club!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16TH – PJ DAY!

Wear your favourite cozy PJs to school!

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19TH – STUDENT SUNSHINE CART!

Ms. Hunt and Mr. Corbett will be delivering delicious treats to our classrooms throughout the day!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20TH – HIGH-FIVE ASSEMBLY!

We will be celebrating our December High-Five winners together at 10:50am in the main gym.

Please note we are also accepting non-perishable food donations for the Fairview Food Pantry until December 18th!

Guidelines for school and/or bus cancellations due to inclement weather

Nova Scotia winter weather can change quickly and can be challenging to predict. This document outlines the steps we take when deciding whether to cancel school and/or bussing.

A 6:00 am announcement could be:

All schools are closed for the day

OR

Some schools (either individually or by family) are closed for the day

OR

All schools are open, but some or all busses are not operating for the day

OR

All schools are delayed in opening by 2 hours

If weather deteriorates, or is forecast to worsen throughout the morning

An 11:00 am announcement could be:

Bussed students will be picked up 2 hours earlier than their regular dismissal time

AND

Walking students will be dismissed at their regularly scheduled lunch hour

Remember:

Parents/guardians always have the right to keep their child home from school if they believe that the travelling conditions are unsuitable.

How does Halifax Regional Centre for Education (HRCE) decide on school and/or bus cancellations?

By 4:30 am, HRCE staff begin to gather information from:

- A contracted weather service that provides radar and satellite imagery, real-time road conditions and weather warnings;
- A meteorologist who provides forecast details, level and type of precipitation and impact on road conditions;
- HRCE's three transportation service providers, who provide updates on road conditions in their area;
- Municipal and provincial transportation staff; and
- Other local weather services, including Environment Canada and the Weather Network.

By 5:30 am, HRCE staff make recommendations to the Regional Executive Director (or designate), who then makes the final decision.

This decision is communicated by 6:00 am.



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Where can cancellation information be found?

Website: www.hrce.ca

Twitter: @HRCE_NS

Phone: 902-464-INFO (4636)

Local media outlets

Subscribe to email/text notifications at www.hrce.ca