**NEW KINDERCARE PROGRAM**

We are happy to share that Senator Buchanan School was selected to pilot the KinderCare Program for the 2024-25 school year.  This is an **optional program offered in addition to Kindergarten** that allows for **all day programming**. Early Learning Staff will engage children in purposeful play-based activities designed to encourage exploration, foster creativity, problem solving skills and language expression to support continued early learning.

If you are interested in pre-registering for the program, please complete the FORM here:
[KinderCare Pre-Registration Form (office.com)](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforms.office.com%2Fpages%2Fresponsepage.aspx%3Fid%3DY4sOPE7mjUykDx0hO2cEcgukZ3IzcEZGhycYtHUDhU5UMExYUzFENVk2RDNXTllPUkdPSzUzM1FXTi4u&data=05%7C02%7CAngie.McKenna%40lethsd.ab.ca%7C068239b981814cc1ddc808dc84dcca90%7C3c0e8b63e64e4c8da40f1d213b670472%7C0%7C0%7C638531331024367034%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=810tj8DR7IZy%2Ba4dAPYc72iOJdYAlEmYmZrFXvMav1Q%3D&reserved=0)

Here are some important details for you to know about:

* The program is **optional**; you do not have to register for it.  This provides an option for families who would like their Buchanan student in school all day.
* The program is approved to run bell time to bell time, including on Fridays.
* Students enrolled in the KinderCare program who meet eligibility requirements for school bus transportation to our school will qualify to access the school bus to and from school Monday to Friday.
* There is a one-time, non-refundable application fee of $40.00 that is due once placement is confirmed.
* The program fee is $275.00 per month.

If you have a student who is of Kindergarten age or know of families in our zone, please share this information with them.  At this time, we are ONLY accepting students in our boundary.  We also only have room in our afternoon Kindergarten program (but this is not an issue if they are KinderCare students too.)  This information will also be share with all incoming pre-registered Kindergarten families.  If you are currently registered for the 2024-2025 Kindergarten program, please complete the interest form to reserve your spot.

We are very excited to pilot this program.

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Principal