



KNIGHTS NEWS

WELCOME BACK

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START UP INFORMATION

Hello Heloise Lorimer School Families and Community,

We are thrilled to be your new administrative team and are so excited to begin the 2025-2026 school year with you.

We are committed to continuing to build on the school's mission to create a caring and collaborative environment where every student can thrive. By working together, we can empower our students to be curious, compassionate, and resilient learners.

We are excited to partner with you for a safe and successful school year. Important start-up information is included below, and your child's homeroom teacher will be in touch on **Thursday, August 28th**.

Let's make this an unforgettable year of learning, growth, and community.

Your Heloise Lorimer School Administrative Team,

LaToya, Kathryn, and Vladimir

Important Dates to Remember

A school calendar can also be found on our website <https://heloiselorimer.rockyview.ab.ca>

Friday, Aug. 29th - 11:30am – 12:30pm – Open House – Grades 1-6

Tuesday, Sept. 2nd - First Day for ALL Grade 1 – 6 Students

Tuesday, Sept. 2nd and Wednesday, Sept. 3rd - Staggered Entry – Kindergarten (see below)

Wednesday, Sept. 10th – School Council Meeting

Friday, Sept. 19th – Terry Fox Run

Thursday, Sept. 25th – Orange Shirt

Student Classes

Keep an eye on your inbox! Teacher introduction and welcome back emails, including your child's class placement, will be sent on **Thursday, August 28th**.

We want to assure you that a great deal of care goes into creating balanced class lists. Our staff works hard to consider each student's academic, social, and emotional needs, ensuring every classroom is a positive and effective learning environment.

Because of this thorough process, we are confident in each placement and will not be making any changes. Thank you for your support and understanding.

School Open House and Meet Your Teacher August 29th from 11:30 – 12:30

On **Friday, August 29th, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**, we are holding a meet-the-teacher open house for students in **grades 1 through 6**. This is a great chance for you and your child to see their new classroom and meet their teacher.

Our wonderful School Council has also arranged for food trucks to be on-site, so families can grab lunch while visiting!

A message from our Council –

*The Food Truck Frenzy is back for Meet Your Teacher Day; so, bring your lawn chairs or blankets, grab something tasty and enjoy catching up with friends! Our lineup includes Daytona Beach Seafood Tacos, Lemay's Kettle Korn, Kona Ice Truck & The Family Fry Guy. **They will be onsite for purchase from 11am - 1:30pm, please remember we do have Wi-Fi dead spots around the school so you may want to have cash and avoid being disappointed.***

School Supplies

Kindergarten – Grade 4

All students at Heloise Lorimer School from Kindergarten to Grade 4, are provided with school supplies throughout the year at no additional cost to parents.

Grade 5 - 6

For students going into grade 5 and 6, school supplies need to be purchased by families. Please see our school website for information regarding supply lists or the option to purchase through School Start [here](#).

ALL Students are required to bring:

- a pair of labeled indoor shoes with non-marking soles to be kept at the school
- a backpack,
- lunch/snack kit
- reusable water bottle container.

All items brought to school from home, including footwear and coats, should be labeled with the student's name, in a place not visible when being worn.

A reminder that the school is not responsible for stolen or missing personal items. Please ensure students are not bringing valuable items to school.

Regular Schedule Bell Times

GRADES 1-6

Monday to Thursday

8:00am – 8:10 am – Entry through designated doors

8:10am – Instructional time begins

2:45pm – Dismissal

Friday

8:00am – 8:10 am - Entry through designated doors

8:10am – Instructional time begins

1:00pm – Dismissal

KINDERGARTEN – REGULAR SCHEDULE**Monday to Thursday (AM Classes)**

8:10am – Entry through designated door

11:32am – Dismissal

Monday to Thursday (PM Classes)

12:05pm – Entry through designated door

2:45pm – Dismissal

Friday (PM Classes)

8:10am – Entry through designated door

11:05am – Dismissal

First Day Information

School maps with student class level entry doors will be sent out with the Welcome Back teacher communication on August 28th, 2025.

All students will meet their teacher in the back field and come into the building with their teacher on the first day.

Kindergarten students will begin with a staggered entry. Please ensure you note which date and time your child will be attending their first day of kindergarten.

Kindergarten Staggered Entry Schedule

Staggered Entry – September 2nd and 3rd:

Regular schedule for both AM and PM classes start on Thursday, September 4/25 with the first Friday (PM) class on September 5/25.

Staggered Entry Dates and Times:

Day	Time	Students Attending
Sept. 2 Tuesday	9:00– 10:00	AM Students: Last names A to L • 9:00-9:20 – parent(s) with student • 9:20-10:00 – student only
Sept. 2 Tuesday	1:00 – 2:00	PM Students: Last names A To L • 1:00-1:20 – parent(s) with student • 1:20-2:00 – student only
Sept. 3 Wednesday	9:00 – 10:00	AM Students: Last names M to Z • 9:00-9:20 – parent(s) with student • 9:20-10:00 – student only
Sept. 3 Wednesday	1:00 – 2:00	PM Students: Last names M to Z • 1:00-1:20 – parent(s) with student • 1:20-2:00 – student only

We know how important the first day of kindergarten is, and we want to ensure a smooth and positive start to your child's school experience.

For our **staggered days on September 2nd and 3rd**, your child will meet their teacher outside the kindergarten doors. These doors are located at the front of the school on Kings Heights Drive. The teacher will be there to greet them and lead the class inside, showing them the routine for entering the school.

You are welcome to come into the classroom with your child for the first **20 minutes**. After this time, we will ask you to leave so the teacher can spend the remaining **40 minutes** with all the students, helping them get settled into their new environment.

We are so excited to welcome your child and look forward to a fantastic school year!

HLS Office Hours

You can reach the office at 403-945-4135 or by email at heloiselorimer@rockyview.ab.ca after this date.

Regular office hours begin on Tuesday, Sept. 2nd (first day of classes):

Mon. - Thurs. - 7:30 am – 3:15 pm

Fri. - 7:30 am - 1:30 pm

