



# *Frequently Asked Questions*

## *Kindergarten 2022-23*

This document contains answers to many questions that parents frequently have when registering their children for school. If you do not find the answers to your questions in this document, please email the principal, Mr. Peter Meurs, at [peter.meurs@ecsd.net](mailto:peter.meurs@ecsd.net).

To begin the registration process, visit [www.corpuschristi.ecsd.net](http://www.corpuschristi.ecsd.net) and click on **REGISTER NOW** at the top right corner of the page.

### **What grades attend Corpus Christi?**

Corpus Christi offers learning for students from Kindergarten to Grade 9. Our kindergarten program is a half day program available in the morning and afternoon with classes on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

### **Who can attend Corpus Christi School?**

As a Catholic school, all resident students in kindergarten to Grade 9 within the school's catchment area can attend. A resident student is a Catholic or has at least one parent who is a Catholic, or under the authority of the Child Welfare Act, has been placed in a foster home where the foster parent is a resident of Edmonton Catholic Schools.

Students who do not meet the above conditions are considered non-resident students and may enroll at Edmonton Catholic Schools given the adequate availability of resources as determined by the principal and school division.

### **What is the catchment area for Corpus Christi?**

Residences located EAST of 66 street and SOUTH of Anthony Henday Drive are included in the catchment area of Corpus Christi School.

### **What are the age guidelines for Kindergarten registration?**

In the case of a kindergarten student, students must be 5 years of age or older on or before December 31 of the current school year to register.

### **What are school hours at Corpus Christi?**

The first bell in the morning rings at 8:35 am. Kindergarten classes are 8:40-11:40am (morning groups) or 12:15-3:15pm (afternoon groups). Supervision outside in the mornings begins at 8:20am

**\*Please note, these times may change slightly for the 2022-23 school year.**

### **How many students attend Corpus Christi?**

Currently our population is approximately 730 students with anticipated growth to continue for the coming years as the surrounding community continues to grow. Our junior high currently has approximately 180 students, with 2 classes at each grade level from 7 to 9.

### **Is bussing available for my child at Corpus Christi?**

Yellow bussing is available for students in kindergarten to Grade 9 who live within the catchment boundaries of Corpus Christi School but are not within walking distance of the school. To determine if your child qualifies for bussing, please contact the main office at 780-409-2606.

### **Is there Out of School Care available at Corpus Christi?**

Corpus Christi Out of School Care operates out of our school. They are independent of the school and you can find out more about availability and costs by contacting them at 780-267-4855 or [info.ccosc@gmail.com](mailto:info.ccosc@gmail.com)

### **What additional supports are available to students and families at Corpus Christi?**

Additional supports at the school during the 2020-21 school year include:

- Educational Assistants (EA)
- Family School Liaison Worker (FSLW)
- Therapeutic Assistants – Speech and Language (TA-SL)
- Therapeutic Assistants – Behaviour Therapy (TA-BT)

- Therapeutic Assistants – Occupational Therapy (TA-OT)
- Learning Coaches
- English Language Learner Support

**\* Please note that these supports are contingent upon both student need and funding.**

### **Am I required to purchase school supplies?**

Each kindergarten student will bring their own supplies to school in the fall. A detailed supply list will be sent to registered families in May.

### **How much are the school fees for Kindergarten students?**

School fees for Kindergarten students this school year were \$30.00. This fee will be reviewed, and information will be provided to families in the fall with information as to what the fee includes, how to pay the fee and when fees are due.

### **When do classes begin in September?**

Kindergarten has a staggered entry in September. Students come to class in small groups. Each student will have a designated day and time to meet the teacher and work in small groups. All information will be sent in May to registered families.

### **Is there Kindergarten 5 days a week?**

Kindergarten is 4 days a week: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday.

### **Does our child need to be toilet trained before entering kindergarten?**

Yes, it is required that students be independent with toilet training prior to school start. Practicing independence with self-help skills such as washing hands, using the washroom, and dressing themselves will help build confidence for when they arrive at school.

### **How does drop off and pick-up work for kindergarten students?**

Corpus Christi School has designated doors for all classes to enter and exit the school. Kindergarten students arrive and depart from the East doors. A staff member meets students at the entrance to bring them into the building to begin their day. At home time, staff dismiss children hand to hand when their parent/guardian is present.

### **What if my child is taking the bus?**

If your child will be riding the school bus, a staff member meets the student at the bus to take him/her to the Kindergarten door. At the end of the day, they walk your child to the bus to find their designated seat.