



Ranchero Elementary School



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Respect, Responsibility, Compassion, Honesty & Fun

Welcome to a New School Year at Ranchero Elementary!

Dear Ranchero Families,

As we welcome a new school year, I am reminded that what makes a school truly special is the people within it. I feel fortunate to work alongside a dedicated team of teachers, support staff, office staff, custodians, bus drivers, and district staff who care deeply about the success and well-being of our students. Their commitment, kindness, and hard work help create a school where every child can thrive.

Equally important are the families who partner with us each day. Thank you for the trust you place in us. I encourage you to stay connected throughout the year, celebrate your child's growth, and reach out whenever you have questions or need support. When families and schools work together, we create the conditions for every student to feel valued, connected, and successful.

Important Dates & Reminders

Tuesday, September 1 new student registration day 9:00 am-2:00 pm

Tuesday, September 8

- non-instructional day (students do not attend; staff planning day)

Wednesday, September 9 – First Day for Grades 1–8 8:03-11:08 am

- Early dismissal at 11:08 AM buses leave around 11:20 AM
- Students spend the day and week with last year's teacher and classmates when possible
- Welcome Bell rings at 8:03 AM and students line up behind pylons labeled with teacher names at the front of the school
- New students will be placed with similar-aged peers
- *Kindergarten students do not attend this day*

Thursday, September 10 – Kindergarten Begins

First day: 8:15–9:15 am Parent meet and greet, informational session and CHEQ survey in the library
8:30-9:00

Class placements for the 2026-27 school year will be posted on a bulletin board at the front of the school on Monday, September 14.

Placements will include each student's first name and last initial, along with their teacher's name. Staff members will be available to help students find their classroom and ensure a smooth start to the day.

We know that class placement information is important to families. Waiting until September 14 allows us time to account for enrolment changes and thoughtfully create balanced classrooms that support the learning and well-being of all students. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to ensure the best possible start to the school year for every child.

At Ranchero, we are committed to creating a safe, respectful, and joyful learning community where every child feels valued, connected, and inspired to learn. It is a privilege to serve alongside such remarkable students, dedicated staff, and supportive families, and I look forward to a year filled with learning, growth, laughter, and connection.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out at clangsto@sd83.bc.ca or call us at **250-803-7018**.

Warm regards,

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