"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan)

Registration for the 2010/2011 School Year

For parents registering students for the first time, general information including catchment area maps and Board Policy 405 Student Placement, can be found on the District website at www.sd23.bc.ca or by calling (250) 860-8888.

WHEN TO REGISTER:

Elementary:	**August 30, August 31 & September 1, 2010**	**8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**
Middle and Secondary:	**August 30, 2010**	**8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**
	August 31 & September 1, 2010	**8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

REGISTRATION OPTIONS: Government legislation allows parents and students the option to choose any school providing space is available. District regulations, however, determine priority for enrollment at a specific school according to Board Policy.

KINDERGARTEN:

- To qualify for entry in September 2010, a child must be five years of age by December 31, 2010
- **A valid birth certificate of the child must be provided at the time of registration**
- Parents should provide the school with the child's immunization record
- The School Act allows a parent to defer the enrollment of a child's entry to school for not more than one year. Parents are encouraged to discuss deferment with the school principal before a decision is made

ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE & SECONDARY:

- **A valid birth certificate of the student must be provided at the time of registration**
- The student should have a copy of the most recent report card, or transcript, from their previous school. These documents will facilitate appropriate placement

STUDENT OF NON-RESIDENT PARENTS:

- Students who are Canadian citizens, but whose parents are non-BC residents, must pay tuition in order to access an educational program in B.C., including our school district. International students must also pay for access to School District No. 23 programs
- Please contact the International Education office at (250) 470-3258 for further information in both cases

ALTERNATE EDUCATION SERVICES:

- Central Programs & Services offers alternative education programs for School District No. 23. The following programs are designed to meet the needs of individual learners in a manner and at a rate consistent with the individual's skills and abilities: Hospital Homebound, Outreach Education, Central Continuing Education, Storefront, Distributed Learning and eschoolbc.com (online courses). Information can be found at **http://www.cps.sd23.bc.ca/** or phone **(250) 868-1135**
- **Register at Central School Programs and Services, 1825 Richter Street**

HOME SCHOOLING:

- In accordance with the B.C. School Act, all children receiving their education at home MUST be registered by September 30, 2010. Central Program & Services offer full access to distance courses for students enrolled in Distributed Learning (K-12). For information, please phone (**250) 868-1135** or for grades 7 to 12 at **eschoolbc.com**

REGISTERING FOR THE ENGLISH PROGRAM

WHERE TO REGISTER:

- Registration at your catchment area school is encouraged, but not required
- If you do not know your catchment area school, phone **(250) 491-4040** or refer to: **www.sd23.bc.ca** and click on **Catchment Area Maps,** or, **SD Busing and School Locator** button. Next, click on the tab that says **Edulog/WebQuery**. Enter your address and your child's grade and click "Go"
- Parents should be aware that decisions related to placement will be made during the first week of school at which time the actual number of students enrolled and the classroom/school capacities are known

- **Note**: Some schools are in open catchment areas. They are:
  1. All of the Rutland area elementary schools constitute an open catchment area.
  2. A.S. Matheson, Casorso and Raymer Elementaries constitute an open catchment area.
  3. George Pringle, Glenrosa, Helen Gorman, and Peachland Elementaries constitute the Westside South open catchment area.
  4. Chief Tomat, Hudson Road, Shannon Lake, and Rose Valley Elementary constitute the Westside North open catchment area

REGISTERING FOR THE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM

The **middle school** (grades 7-9) French Immersion program: **KLO Middle School** at 3130 Gordon Drive, Phone (250) 762-2841

The **senior secondary school (**grades 10-12) French Immersion program: **Kelowna Senior Secondary** at 1079 Raymer Avenue, Phone (250) 762-2805

For the following **elementary school** catchment areas	**REGISTER AT:**
A.S. Matheson, Anne McClymont, Casorso, Chute Lake, Dorothea Walker, Raymer, South Kelowna	École Casorso Elementary, 3675 Casorso Rd., Phone (250) 763-8088
Belgo, Black Mountain, Ellison, Pearson, Quigley, Rutland, South Rutland, Springvalley	École Belgo Elementary, 125 Adventure Road, Phone (250) 765-8900
Bankhead, Glenmore, North Glenmore, Watson Rd.	École Glenmore Elementary, 960 Glenmore Road, Phone (250) 762-3209
Davidson Rd., Oyama, Peter Greer,	École Peter Greer Elementary, 10300 Sherman Road, Phone (250) 766-2104
All West Kelowna elementary schools	École George Pringle Elementary, 3770 Elliot Rd., Phone (250) 768-5146

For more information about French Immersion, contact: Clara Sulz, Director of Instruction, (250) 470-3227.

TRANSPORTATION

All parents who are registering students at schools in S.D. No. 23 for the first time should determine eligibility at the website listed below or phone (250) 491-4040 for information about school bus transportation services.

Notes:

(1) The student transportation charge is $200 per student per year. A Family plan is available for families with three or more children riding the bus. Subsidies may be requested through the school principal.

(2) Eligible riders are those who live 4.0 km for K-3 and 4.8 km for grades 4 – 12 from their catchment area school. (Please note some busing restrictions may apply in all open catchment areas. Please contact Transportation at (250) 491-4040 to confirm busing eligibility in open catchment areas.) At the discretion of the Board of Education, eligible riders who pay the transportation charge may be transported via a school board owned and operated bus; or alternatively, transportation assistance payments may be made to parents. The Board recognizes that many students do not qualify for bus transportation as outlined above, and therefore authorizes the transportation of such students on existing bus routes, provided the charge is paid and space is available. Where feasible, the priority for these non-eligible courtesy riders will be based on the furthest distance from their designated catchment area school.

(3) School bus route information for the 2010/2011 school year will be advertised in the Capital News at the end of August.

(4) School bus route information is also available from the S.D. No. 23 web site at **www.sd23.bc.ca.** Click on **SD Busing and School Locator** button. Next, click on the tab that says **Edulog/WebQuery**. Enter your address and your child's grade and click "Go."

(5) Busing is not provided to non-area "schools of choice".