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She's ready.

are you?



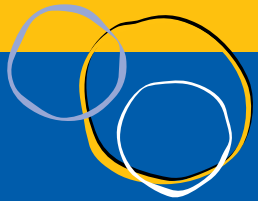
CAMILLA SCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM



Your child is likely filled with excitement about starting school. How are you feeling about it? Let us put your mind at ease with some information about Camilla School and our wonderful kindergarten program.

About our school

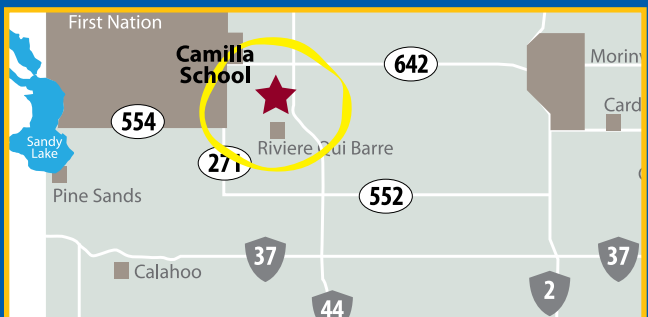


Your child can grow with us

Camilla School appreciates the value of the rural and multi-cultural heritage within the community. Our school meets the needs of individual students through a wide variety of academics, career and technology studies (CTS), fine arts and extra-curricular programs, including optional Catholic religious instruction during the school day. Working together with parents, we maintain a commitment to high-quality instruction, small class sizes, focus on improving literacy skills for all students and understanding that education involves all aspects of personal development. Camilla School is well known for its professional staff, friendly and cooperative students and an extremely supportive parent community.

We're easy to find

Camilla School is conveniently located in Riviere Qui Barre, and provides free bussing for students in the area.



Our kindergarten program

We support you and your child

Camilla offers full-day kindergarten classes that run on a Tuesday/Thursday or Wednesday/Friday schedule with attendance on some Mondays. We provide a strong literacy program with weekly music, library and computer access. The classroom is equipped with a Promethean interactive whiteboard to engage technology in teaching and learning. Field trips are offered throughout the year.

Kindergarten students at Camilla participate fully in school activities including hot lunch programs, assemblies, First Nations cultural events, live theatre presentations, Christmas celebrations and track/play days. We have a junior high buddy system to help our students on the bus, during the Terry Fox run and at pancake breakfasts. Camilla kindergarten students also participate in other cross-graded activities such as reading and physical education activities with upper elementary students and playing magnet games with Grade 2 students.

Community service opportunities at Camilla include a food drive at Christmas, cancer fundraising and running in the fall and a mitten and hat collection in the winter. Camilla kindergarten offers wonderful programming opportunities that address the needs of the whole child.

Lastly, our kindergarten has a strong parent association with our Local Advisory Council, and they provide a representative at the School Advisory Council.



Our kindergarten classroom

The classroom is a team effort involving children, teachers and parents. Our kindergarten classes have a family feeling where the entire group cares for others and the room. We consider parents to be strong partners in their child's success and welcome participants in the classroom.

Also, we create classrooms that are fun learning spaces with an activity centre approach. Students participate in centres, field trips, activities, music and technology to best impact their potential as learners. Through hands-on and interactive learning experiences, students begin to develop the skills necessary for educational success.

Staggered entrance is implemented at the beginning of the school year, to provide an opportunity for your child to be introduced to the kindergarten setting, as well as meet the teacher and be introduced to new friends.

Our unique programs offer opportunities for every student to explore and enjoy.



Camilla School is focused on helping

Programs we're proud of

At Camilla School, we make an effort to meet the needs of all our students – particularly at the pre-kindergarten and kindergarten levels. Two programs we're especially proud of are the Headstart Program and the Program Unit Funded (PUF) Initiative.

Headstart Program

- For children between the ages of 3½ and 5 who would benefit from extensive early childhood readiness skills
- Helps prepare children for kindergarten and provides a foundation for later success
- Families are also given support on how to continue educational success at home

PUF Initiative

- For children between the ages of 2½ and 6 who would benefit from extensive early childhood readiness skills
- Students are provided assistance to improve their skills and become successful members of the school community
- Students benefit from our inclusion policy and are fully included in local preschools, Headstart programs and kindergartens
- Helps parents reinforce the skills taught through the program

Other programs and services offered at our school that may be of interest to parents of kindergarten students include: Career and Technology Studies (CTS), Fine Arts, Optional Religious Instruction, Youth Gathering, Enrichment Activities, Character Education, Student Leadership Class, Integrated Support Program, Knowledge and Employability, Junior Challenge and Adaptation.

Kindergarten learning areas

Our kindergarten program follows the guidelines of Alberta Education. The curriculum is organized in six themes with learner expectations in the following areas:



English Language Arts



Mathematics



Community and Environmental Awareness



Personal and Social Responsibility

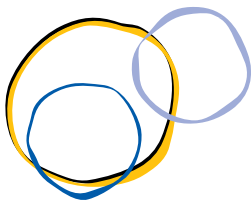


Physical Skills and Well-being



Creative and Cultural Expression

Kindergarten learner skills



- Literacy and numeracy skills are taught in a positive, safe, enthusiastic environment.
- Specific learner outcomes are presented through a variety of themed units such as safety, dinosaurs and fairy tales.
- Children are provided opportunities to learn about and practice specified learner outcomes using the centre approach.
- Children develop an awareness of their unique individuality and worth.
- Positive play activities provide opportunities for your child to develop a solid foundation of first-hand experiences and basic knowledge upon which to build and grow.
- A sense of self and community is explored and permeates the entire day.





Tours of the school are available for prospective parents.

Contact us!



For more information about our kindergarten programs, please contact us.

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