



## It's Back to School Time Soon!

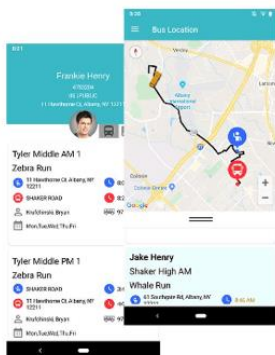
We hope everyone is having a safe, happy summer making lasting memories and having good times with family and friends. We also know you may be thinking about back to school and so are we!

**Office hours:** The school office will be open from 8:30-2:30 beginning Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. Our secretary and the Principal, Ms. Langston will be in the school all week getting ready for the new school year. Students and parents are welcome to pop in to say hello. We do have some students' personal belongings waiting for pick up in the office.

**New Student Registration:** Registration for new students will take place on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. When coming to register your child(ren) you will need to bring along their birth certificate, BC Services Card, a document with proof of residency, something with your home address, such as a driver's license or utility bill. If you are not able to come for registration on August 30<sup>th</sup>, please call the school to discuss an alternative time. Currently, we are full in most classrooms and there is a waitlist for our school. We will know how many new spaces come available the first week of school once we see the number of returning students.

**First Week of School:** The first day for students in grades 1-5 is a full day beginning at 8:03, Wednesday, September 7. Returning students will line up at their last year's class line up spot and will spend the day with last year's class and teacher so we can determine who has moved. New students to AES will gather in the library, and we will then bring them to their temporary first day classrooms. Students are dismissed at 2:00 pm. On Thursday, but maybe Friday the students will be able to go to their classrooms for the year and meet their teachers. Kindergarten students will begin their Gradual Entry on Thursday, September 8. Information about the Kindergarten Gradual Entry has been emailed to families. If you have not received the email, please contact the school.

**Transportation:** Are you the parent of a student who rides the school bus in SD83?



SD83 would like to let parents of bus students know that the transportation department is introducing a new school bus app called Traversa Ride 360 (also known as Tyler's My Ride K-12).

Rather than sending bus information postcards in the mail, parents and students can now access real-time data to access bus stop locations, assigned routes, and scheduled pick up and drop off times.

This app is accessible on mobile devices and the web, is confidential and secure, is fully integrated with student transportation and GPS, and the GPS geolocation shows when to expect the bus each day.

### Here is how to sign up

Parents and students can sign up for the app immediately.

#### SIGN UP STEPS HERE

Please note when linking to your student the birthdate yyyy-mm-dd (must include dashes) and the Student or Pupil number requested can be found in your MyEd Family Portal or by contacting the school beginning August 30.

**School Supplies:** Families do not need to go and purchase school supplies for their children. The school has purchased the school supplies for each classroom, and families are charged a School Supply Fee to cover the cost of the supplies used over the course of the year. In preparation for the first day students will need to have a backpack, a clean pair of indoor runners for gym, with non-marking soles, a water bottle for the water bottle filling station and a snack and lunch. You can check out the school fees under at our website [aes.sd83.bc.ca](http://aes.sd83.bc.ca) located on the parent dropdown menu.

If you have any questions, please give us a call beginning Monday, August 29 or send us an email [aes@sd83.bc.ca](mailto:aes@sd83.bc.ca)

We are looking forward to seeing all the children's smiling faces in September!