

We are very excited to start the school year with your children. School life will be more normal than in the past previous 2 years.

Canteen/lunch services will start on Monday, September, 12. The menu is on our website (<https://www.riversidees.com/>). Students will once again eat their lunch in their classrooms as in the past 2 years. The breakfast program will be starting later in September. Parents/guardians must pack a lunch for their children for this week. We kindly ask you not to drop off takeout/fast food to your children. If your child needs assistance with lunches please contact Ms. Monk or me.

**Lunch times have changed for the 2022-23 school year:**

**Primary (K-3): 11:55-12:35**

**Elementary (4-6) 12:25-1:05**

All you need to know about Courtesy

Seating: [https://www.nlesd.ca/schools/busing/doc/courtesy\\_seating\\_protocol.pdf](https://www.nlesd.ca/schools/busing/doc/courtesy_seating_protocol.pdf)

Please make sure you read this ASAP if your child requires a courtesy seat.

**NOTE:** Parents/guardians for students in Grade Kindergarten and Grade One **only** will be permitted to drop their children off in their respective classrooms on Thursday. This is meant to be a quick process to minimize class disruption (take a pic). All other students in grades 2-6 will be dropped off at their assigned entrance. Staff will be available to help our new students on their first day.

Rod's Bus (#9) will have a new time for leaving Port Blanford. The bus will now leave at 7:30 am. This will mean a 5-minute later pickup for all students.

**Wednesday, September 7, 2022:** School will open for Grades 2 through 6 ONLY. Grades K and 1 will start on Thursday. Special Transportation and Regular Buses will be running one hour later than normal. All Grade 2 drop off students will use the Main Entrance and Grade 3 drop offs will use the Front Middle Entrance. All Downstairs (Grade 6's and 4 Oliver) Elementary drop off students will use the Front End Entrance. All Upstairs Elementary (Grade 5's, 4 Blackmore and 4 Hawkins) drop offs will use the Front Middle Entrance. This is the same process as last year. Drop offs will occur regular time (starting at 8:15am) when school doors open. Staff members will be there to receive your children. All New Students will be met at the Main Entrance by an assigned teacher.

**Thursday, September 8, 2022:** School will open for all students. Regular buses will be running one hour later than normal. All Grade K and Grade 2 drop off students will use the Main Entrance and Grade 3 drop offs will use the Front Middle Entrance. Grade 1 drop off students will enter through the Front Cafeteria Entrance. All Downstairs Elementary drop off students (Grade 6's and 4 Oliver) will use the Front End Entrance. All other Upstairs Elementary (Grade 5's, 4 Blackmore and 4 Hawkins) drop offs will use the Front Middle Entrance. This is the same process as last year. Drop offs will occur

regular time (starting at 8:15am) when school doors open. Staff members will be there to receive your children. All New Students will be met at the Main Entrance by an assigned teacher.

**Friday, September 9, 2022:** Regular time for all students. All drop offs will be as follows and continue for the remainder of the School Year:

**Entrances**

**Grade K-2:** Main Entrance

**Grade 3:** Front Middle Entrance

**Upstairs Elementary Students (Grade 5's, 4 Blackmore and 4 Hawkins):** Front Middle Entrance

**Downstairs Elementary Students (Grade 6's and 4 Oliver):** Front End Entrance (by Portables)

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