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In TCRCE, our mission is to provide a safe and inclusive learning environment where every student can reach their full potential and succeed academically, socially and emotionally.

School Calendar

TCRCE's 2023-2024 School Calendar can be found here:

 www.tcrce.ca/calendar


Student Registration


Student registration (pre-primary to grade 12) is ongoing throughout the school year.

To register, parents/guardians can visit their neighbourhood school or register online at www.tcrce.ca/registration.

School-Related Inquiries/Concerns?


1. The first point of contact should always be the child's teacher.
2. If the inquiry/concern is unresolved, families should always contact the school administration.
3. If the inquiry/concern is still unresolved, families are asked to contact TCRCE and will be put in touch with the appropriate person.


 902-749-5818

 info@tcrce.ca


Contact Information


General Inquiries

 902-749-5676


 contact@tcrce.ca


Transportation

 902-749-5663


 bussing@tcrce.ca


Pre-Primary Program

 902-749-5678

 preprimary@tcrce.ca

School Closure/Weather

 1-888-833-5287

 weather@tcrce.ca

School Supplies

If students need supplies, schools will provide those materials. Parents/guardians are asked to reach out to their child's school, if required.

Communication

Families can expect regular communication from TCRCE and their child's school.

When there is new information to share, it will be emailed to parents/guardians using the address on file in PowerSchool. To update emails and/or addresses in PowerSchool, please contact your child's school directly.



Student Transportation

Transportation Policy

Nova Scotia's [School Transportation Policy](#) includes eligibility based on distance criteria.

Families can check their transportation eligibility at: tcrce.mybusplanner.ca

BusPlanner

To access bus stop information, visit the link above, click on Can I Ride A Bus – enter your student's civic address, road/street name, community and grade level – Click Submit. The next page displayed will show, bus route number, pickup and drop-off time, bus stop civic address for both morning and afternoon.

Bus Stops

The Transportation Department is strictly regulated by the Motor Carrier Act and Provincial Transportation Policy. Therefore, busses cannot stop more than three times within 1.6km. Every bus stop must be measured and approved. No bus stop is permanent and may be adjusted as needed.

Moving?

If a family moves or changes daycares, they must contact their child's school with an updated address or alternate address. This change may impact eligibility and/or routing.

Pre-Primary to Grade 2 Students

Parents/guardians (or designate) are responsible for:

Accompanying Pre-Primary to Grade 2 children to the bus stop (and supervising until safely boarded), as well as greeting the child at the stop at the end of the day. If they are not at the stop to meet the child, the parent/guardian (or designate) will be contacted and the child will be returned to the school for pick up.

Buckling and unbuckling the seat belt for their child (if they are less than 40 pounds and 57 inches in height, and only if a seat belt is available). Bus drivers cannot leave their seats. At the school, staff will buckle and unbuckle children.


Late Buses


Late Bus notices are posted at www.tcrce.ca and on our [Facebook page](#).

When there are late buses, a yellow banner will appear on our website with details. Notifications are only posted if the delay is greater than 15 minutes.

Questions?

Contact the Transportation Dept. toll free:

 1 888 833 5287

 tcrce.ca/bus-information



Operational Updates

Occupational Health

Safety of our students and employees is a highest priority.

Every school has staff who are trained in first aid and several new first aid kits along with an automated external defibrillator, in the main foyer.

Several practice drills take place throughout the year for fire evacuation, bus evacuation, hold & secure, lockdown and relocation.

Joint Occupational Health & Safety Committee meetings occur regularly.

Technology

This summer, Technology Services completed major improvements to all school networks. In addition to strengthened cyber security, staff and students should see increased speed and performance when accessing online resources.

Ventilation

Ventilation system checks occur regularly and HEPA filtration units are provided to rooms without active ventilation systems.

Capital Repair Projects

(ongoing or near completion)

- New windows at Islands Consolidated School.
- New siding on gym at Port Maitland Consolidated Elementary School.
- New siding for Carleton Consolidated Elementary.
- New paving at St. Mary's Bay Academy & coming soon to Forest Ridge Academy.
- New boiler to be installed at Digby Elementary School.
- Sprinkler upgrades to come at Forest Ridge Academy & St. Mary's Bay Academy.
- Upgrades to heat exchangers and other units.
- Installed additional outdoor classrooms.
- Assisted Pre-Primary department on renovating some of the play areas.
- New PA systems were installed in many schools.