



September 3rd, 2026

Greetings, Anmore Families,

Welcome back!

I hope that you and your family have enjoyed a restful, joyful summer filled with time to recharge, connect, and create new memories. Whether you are returning to Anmore Elementary, joining our community for the first time, or sending a child to school for the very first time as a Kindergarten family, we are so happy to welcome you!



At Anmore, we believe strongly that schools are built through relationships. Together, students, families, staff, and community members create a caring, vibrant learning community where every child can belong, grow, and thrive. We are excited to begin another school year filled with learning, friendship, creativity, adventure, and community connection.

In this Labour Day Weekender, I've looked to share some pertinent information for our first week back at school, as well as some of the larger ideas and planning that will guide our work going forward.

If you have questions or there are details missing here, please do not hesitate or reach out to me in the office, or by email. If you haven't already, subscribing to our school's Instagram page is also a good way to stay up to date with the goings on at school. You can find us at <http://www.instagram.com/AnmoreSD43>.

In the meantime, I hope you all have an excellent Labour Day Weekend. We are excited to be reconnecting and beginning another year with you soon!

Bryan Jackson

Principal | Anmore Elementary

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First Week of School: At a Glance

Kindergarten Students

Kindergarten students will follow a gradual entry schedule designed to support a successful transition to school. This information is posted on our school's website, and will be shared with more details by Ms. Kurita, Ms. Manky, and Ms. Thorburn as we get going.

Grades 1 – 5

Tuesday September 8th

9:00am – School Begins

9:15am – Dismissal

Students will meet on the gravel field behind the school and look for the sign corresponding to the grade they will be entering this year.

Teachers will:

- Welcome students and take attendance
- Introduce routines and expectations for the week
- Share meeting locations for the following days

Please Note

These initial groupings are temporary. Staff will use the first week to finalize class placements and organization. Some students will be changing classes after this first week once divisions are formally established next Monday, September 14th. Wherever students are placed for the year, they will continue to learn alongside peers in their grade groups, share recesses and lunch breaks with friends, and participate in school-wide activities together.

Wednesday, September 9th to Friday, September 11th

School Hours: 9:00am – 2:50pm

Students should bring:

- A litterless lunch
- Healthy snacks
- A water bottle
- Outdoor clothing appropriate for the weather

Helpful Links

- [School Website](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Absence Report](#)
- [Code of Conduct](#)
- [Anmore Songs Project](#)
- [Parent Forms](#)

School Supplies

Families **do not** need to purchase school supplies.

School supplies will once again be provided for all students through the generosity of our Parent Advisory Council (PAC). Thank you to our PAC for this significant support of Anmore Families!

Attendance Matters

Accurate attendance during the first week of school is extremely important for enrollment and staffing purposes.

If your family or child:

- Has transferred schools
- Has moved away
- Or will be absent during the first week

Please notify the office as soon as possible at: Anmore@sd43.bc.ca

Beyond the first week, and especially as we adjust back to our regular weeks and schedule from the summer break, regular daily attendance will continue to be extremely important, especially for students experiencing separation anxiety or having a tough time with drop off/arriving in the morning. In many cases, an investment in the short term discomfort helps bring us to the other, happy shore of this new transition.

If you are worried or experiencing challenges with drop off, please let your child's teacher or myself know and we will be glad to help!



Our Opening Week Theme

Taking Care of Ourselves, Others, and This Place

During our first week together, students will participate in a series of learning experiences designed to establish a strong foundation for the year ahead. These experiences focus on three interconnected ideas:

Taking Care of Ourselves

Students will explore questions such as:

- Who am I?
- What helps me feel safe and ready to learn?
- What strengths and gifts do I bring to our classroom community?

Through stories, reflection, and conversation, students will think about identity, well-being, belonging, and personal growth.

Taking Care of Others

Students will consider:

- How do my actions affect others?
- What kind of classroom community do we want to create together?
- How can we support one another as learners?

Through collaborative activities and community-building experiences, students will learn about kindness, inclusion, relationships, and responsibility.

Taking Care of This Place

Students will explore:

- What makes Anmore Elementary special?
- What responsibilities come with belonging to a community?
- How can we care for our classrooms, playgrounds, and natural surroundings?

Students will participate in outdoor learning experiences and activities that encourage stewardship, gratitude, and connection to place.

Together, these experiences help establish the culture of care, belonging, respect, and responsibility that we hope to cultivate throughout the school year.

Learning through the First Peoples Principles of Learning

The year's opening week theme also reflects an important area of focus in our school's [Action Plan for Learning](#) (APL).

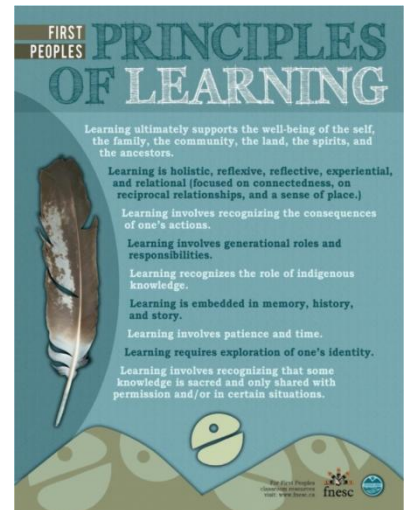
One of our school goals this year is to make the First Peoples Principles of Learning more visible and explicit throughout daily school life. Our staff will continue exploring ways to connect learning to relationships, stories, place, identity, reflection, and community in meaningful ways across subject areas and school experiences.

Our action plan highlights a commitment to helping students understand that learning is:

- Relational
- Experiential
- Connected to Place
- Embedded in memory, history, and story

while continuing to strengthen students' academic, social, and emotional growth.

Families can expect to see these principles reflected in classroom learning, assemblies, outdoor learning opportunities, and school-wide activities throughout the year.





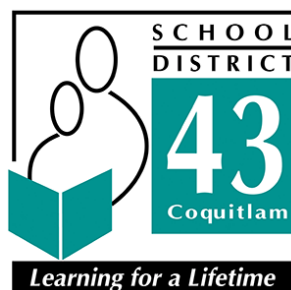
Directions 2030: Looking ahead Together

This year, SD43 has launched **Directions 2030**, the district's new strategic framework that will help guide decision-making and learning across the district over the coming years. Directions 2030 was developed through engagement with students, families, staff, and community members and provides a shared vision for learner success across SD43.

Our school's Action Plan for Learning aligns with this broader district vision as we continue our work in:

- Numeracy and experiential learning
- Social Emotional Learning
- First Peoples Principles of Learning
- Student belonging and well-being
- Community engagement and partnerships

We encourage families to explore both Directions 2030 and our [school Action Plan](#) to learn more about the goals shaping our work.



New Website and SD43 Mobile App

This year also brings new communication tools for families.

[New School Website](#)

Our updated school website provides (hopefully) easy access to:

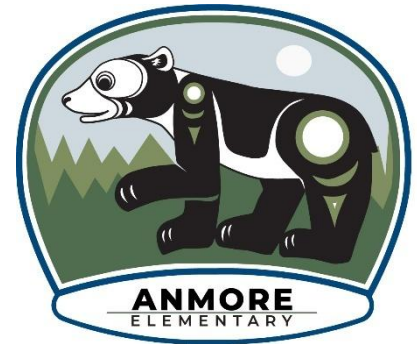
- School news and announcement
- Calendars and events
- School forms and information
- Resources for Families
- PAC Information and Updates

We encourage families to bookmark the website and visit regularly. During this initial phase we are still finding ways to improve the site and notice anything that may not have come over from the old site. If there is information you would like to see there, please let us know in the office!

SD43 Mobile App

Families are also encouraged to download the new SD43 Mobile App. The app provides:

- School and district news
- Event information
- Notifications and updates
- Convenient access to important resources



Get Involved!

One of the greatest strengths of Anmore Elementary is the tremendous support provided by families and community members.

First PAC Meeting will be held in our library at 6:30pm on September 22nd.

Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

Our PAC contributes in countless ways to student experiences and school life, including:

- Funding supplies and programs
- Supporting school events
- Coordinating volunteers
- Building connections among families, staff, and the District

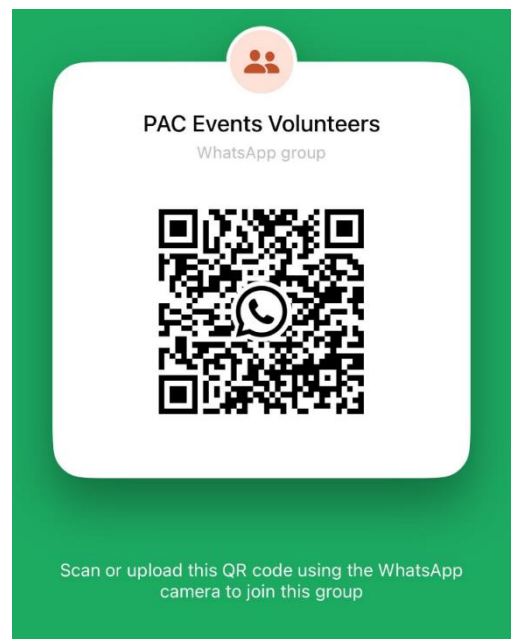
Whether you can volunteer regularly or occasionally, we encourage you to get involved! See the QR codes on the right side of this page to get in touch.

Other Opportunities

Families can support our school through volunteering to support:

- Our hot lunch program
- The Community Bike Train
- Halloween Dance
- Field Trip Driving and Supervision (when requested)
- School events and celebrations
- Volunteer opportunities throughout the year

Every contribution helps enrich the experiences we are able to provide students.





We are excited to continue the next chapter of the [Anmore Songs Project](#).

This year, students will:

- Learn favourite songs from last year's collection
- Revisit "the Key of Anmore" and the writing process we engaged in with Luke Wallace
- Explore new musical experiences
- Create new songs that reflect our stories, values, and shared experiences.

Having evolved last year into a unique expression of the school and community's identity and culture, we are excited this year to see music, storytelling, and community participation continue to support students' opportunities to develop a deeper sense of belonging and connection to one another and this place we share.

We look forward to singing together once again!

Community Bulletins

From the [Coquitlam RCMP](#):

In communities such as Anmore, Belcarra, and Port Coquitlam, where they are not permitted, e-scooters are illegal on public roads, sidewalks, and pathways, and riders may be subject to tickets or enforcement action.



MICROMOBILITY: KNOW THE RULES BEFORE YOU RIDE

Not all small or electric vehicles are treated the same under the Motor Vehicle Act

	Where Can I Ride?	How old do I need to be?	How fast can I go?	License and Insurance?	What Else Should I Know?
 E-Bike	Anywhere where bicycles can ride!	14 + for light e-bikes; 16+ for standard e-bikes	Light e-bikes: 25 km/h Standard e-bikes: 32 km/h	No Drivers License or Insurance required	Must have fully operable pedals
 E-Scooter	Only in communities participating in the pilot project	16+	25 km/h	No Drivers License or Insurance required	Illegal outside of pilot communities
 Moped/LSM	On public roadways only	16+	70 km/h	Drivers License and Insurance required	CMVSS compliance label required
 E-Dirt Bike	Not on roads, sidewalks or bike lanes	Not legal at any age on public roads	Not permitted on public roads	Cannot be registered or insured	Not legal e-bikes or LSMs
 Mini-Motorcycle	Not on roads, sidewalks or bike lanes	Not legal at any age on public roads	Not permitted on public roads	Cannot be registered or insured	Do not meet safety standards

KidSport

**Saturday
September 12
10am-1pm**

So ALL Kids Can Play!

USED EQUIPMENT SALE

sponsored by:

Saputo

POIRIER FORUM Admission by **donation**
618 POIRIER STREET or non-perishable item
COQUITLAM to the **SHARE Food Bank**

SAVE on your family's sports equipment!

The KidSport Used Equipment Sale has everything from bikes and hockey gear to fitness equipment, wetsuits, and more!

Open to EVERYONE!

equipment for **ALL** kids and adults!

Outfit a child for lacrosse or hockey, including helmet, stick, and/or skates for approximately \$100!

GIVE back! Donate your gently used* equipment

From August 29 – September 11, donate your used equipment at the following locations:

- Port Moody Recreation Complex (main lobby)
- Poirier Sport & Leisure Complex (main lobby)
- Port Coquitlam Community Centre (lower arena lobby) www.kidsporttricity.ca

*gently used
equipment is:

- less than 6 years old
- in good condition
- wearable for league sports

ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

The Foundation was established to enhance current education programs and experiences delivered in the Coquitlam School District.

Our mission is to empower students of SD43 through access to exceptional programs and opportunities they would not otherwise have, allowing them to reach their full potential.

The Foundation's objective is to advance education through the provision of classroom and athletic facilities, scholarships, and fundraising for capital projects to benefit the Coquitlam School District.

OUR FOUR STRATEGIC PILLARS

Our four pillars highlight specific areas within the Foundation to focus our energy and resources. These pillars identify talents and strengths we already have while showcasing how new investments will help us grow into a world-leading institution.



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WITH YOUR DONATION, THE
FOUNDATION WILL:



Support students who go on to post-secondary education of any kind



Continue to support students to expand their horizons



Provide pathways to maximize the potential of students who are otherwise limited by a lack of financial support



Continue to support learning in world class, environmentally supportive classrooms



Supplement publicly funded education to ensure the success of SD43 students



Provide equitable opportunities for the children in our schools to help strengthen our community.



"LET'S COLLECTIVELY NURTURE, GROW
AND EMPOWER EACH STUDENT TO
REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL"

Every gift, no matter the amount,
makes a difference.

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Please visit our website:

sd43foundation.org



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THE IMPACT OF YOUR GIFT

Your donation will help our community participate in a long-standing tradition of ensuring our students have access to the best educational and co-curricular resources possible. Innovative programming inside and outside the classroom will allow our students' access to a world of possibilities available to them today and in the future.

Please consider giving back to the School District that impacted you or your child's education, introduced them to new passions, connected you to a lifelong community, and influenced your own journey from graduation to the present day.

