

# Panda Press

WELCOME!  
2025-2026

École Lacombe Upper Elementary (<http://www.elue.wolfcreek.ab.ca>)

(403)782-7410



## Welcome Back!

We hope your summer brought your family plenty of rest, laughter, and time to recharge. As we step into a brand-new school year, we're filled with gratitude and excitement to welcome you back to our ÉLUES community.

This year will bring some change and transition. Some familiar faces have moved on to new adventures—whether retirement, maternity leave, or other opportunities. While we'll miss them, we are thrilled to welcome new staff members who bring fresh energy, ideas, and strengths to our school family. Change can feel uncertain, but it also brings incredible opportunities for growth, and we know our students will benefit from the wonderful team surrounding them.

Like every new year, this one will come with unique challenges and unknowns. If and when those moments arise, we will face them together—by leaning on the strength of our community, keeping communication open, and approaching problems with creativity, compassion, and teamwork. Challenges are never easy, but they often become opportunities for growth, and we are confident that, side by side, we can navigate whatever comes our way. At ÉLUES, our greatest strength is each other and we know that when students, families, and staff work together, there is nothing we can't face. Please know that our entire staff is here every step of the way to support your child, to celebrate their successes, and to walk alongside them during more difficult moments.

One of the most important ways families can support their child's success is through regular school attendance. Being present every day helps children build strong connections with their peers and teachers, develop important learning habits, and fully engage in the classroom experiences that shape both their growth and their confidence. Of course, there will always be times when illness or family needs arise, but we encourage you to prioritize attendance whenever possible—because every day truly does make a difference.

What makes our school truly special isn't the building or the programs—it's the people. It's the way our families partner with us, the way our staff inspire and encourage, and the way our students show up with curiosity, courage, and heart. Our students don't just learn here—they belong here—and that sense of belonging is what makes ÉLUES a place to be proud of.

Thank you for your ongoing support, encouragement, and trust. Together, we are building a school year that will be filled with joy, growth, and lasting memories. We can't wait to see the incredible things this year will bring.

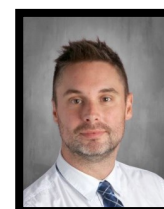
Here's to making this our best year yet—together.

Please remember to follow us on social media:

Facebook: École Lacombe Upper Elementary School

Twitter (X): @ELUESchool

Instagram: @elueschool



Mr. Fullarton  
Principal



Mrs. Ouellette  
Assistant Principal



## Student Demographic Updates

Every family (new and returning) must complete a Demographic Update form for each of their **PreK-12 students** attending a Wolf Creek school in the 2025-2026 school year. We require parents to submit the information ASAP. Once this online process is completed, the information is then updated into your child's profile within

PowerSchool. **It is important that schools have correct and**

**current phone numbers, addresses, contact information, medical information, permissions, etc. for all students. It is also important to note that failure to complete this update could impact your child's participation in physical activities as well as access to digital tools and services.**

**Please submit the forms ASAP.** If you do not have access to a device for online submission, please visit the school office where we can help you log onto a chrome book to complete the form.

If you did not receive an email, you will find the Demographic Update form by logging into [Parent Portal](#) and clicking on School Engage. Please call the school 403-782-7410 if you are having any issues.

## Together Everyone Achieves More

Our Panda Press newsletter is emailed home at the end of each month. The focus of the newsletter is to inform parents and students of important upcoming dates and events, to recognize student achievements and to highlight a number of programs and activities that have been or will be taking place in the school.

If you have any comments, suggestions, questions or concerns, we would like to hear from you. Please call the office at 782-7410 to arrange an appointment. Your input and feedback is truly valued. The mission statement of École Lacombe Upper Elementary is:



**École Lacombe Upper Elementary School is committed to working together to provide a quality education in a caring environment.**

**Commitment, Teamwork, Quality and Caring** are what we practice at École Lacombe Upper Elementary School.

## **GREAT Things are Happening in September...**

**Tuesday, September 2**

Staggered Entrance Day 1, A—L

**Wednesday, September 3**

Staggered Entrance Day 2, M—Z

**Thursday, September 4**

All Students attend

**Friday, September 5**

\*Welcome Back Assembly 10:45 a.m.

**Monday, September 8**

\*Cross Country Running starts after school

**Wednesday, September 10**

\*Fall Photos

\*Parent Night 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**Friday, September 19**

\*Staff Collaboration Day

**Wednesday, September 24**

\*School Council Meeting 6:45 p.m.

**Monday, September 30**

\*National Day for Truth and Reconciliation  
(No School for Students or Staff)

### **School Council - Many hands make lighter work!**

You can become involved in another dimension of the school through our School Council. Our Annual/Organizational Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 24th commencing at 6:45 p.m.

The first school council meeting of the year will be held in person with the option to join virtually, a link will be sent home. Please join us on September 24 to learn how you can support your child's school.



# MY CHILD'S LEARNING: A PARENT RESOURCE



Alberta is committed to creating an inclusive education system that inspires and enables all students to achieve success and fulfillment as engaged thinkers and ethical citizens, with an entrepreneurial spirit.

We recognize that parents play an important role in shaping the way their children view learning. As a parent, you understand more than anyone else how your child learns and processes information. This resource will provide you with a better understanding of Alberta's curriculum and how you can help your child. Here, you'll discover what your child is learning, how they're assessed and what resources are available to help them be successful from Kindergarten to Grade 12.

**<https://curriculum.learnalberta.ca/curriculum/en>**

Grade 4: <https://curriculum.learnalberta.ca/parents/en/grade/4>

Grade 5: <https://curriculum.learnalberta.ca/parents/en/grade/5>

Grade 6: <https://curriculum.learnalberta.ca/parents/en/grade/6>



School fees are \$33/student this year which covers the cost of your child's portfolio binder, homework book and technology fees. Please login to [Parent Portal](#) and click student fees on the left side to pay your child's fee.

If you need any help with passwords being reset or anything at all, please call Mrs. Broderson and she will be happy to help so we can get all our families set up before our first hot lunch in October!

We are very excited to welcome families into the school on Wednesday, September 10th to meet the École Upper Elementary Staff as well as meet your child's teacher and see their classroom.

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TEACHER