



- May 5 PAC Meeting
6:30pm
- May 6 Kindergarten
Orientation
- Hot Lunch
- May 7 Drumming
Performance
2:00
- May 9 Interim Reports
- May 16 Newsletter
- May 19 **NO SCHOOL**
Victoria Day
- May 23 WES Fun Run
- May 27 Hot Lunch
- May 29 WES Track
Meet @ DTSS
(Gr 3-7)

**WE ARE A NUT
FREE SCHOOL!**

Please do not send any
food that may contain
tree nuts to school with
your child.



WES PAC NEWS:

Next PAC Meeting
Monday, May 5th
6:30pm
@ WES

*All parents welcome and
invited to attend!



WES PILLARS

*Look after yourself.
Look after each other.
Look after this place.
Be a respectful listener
and a powerful speaker.*

**WINDERMERE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, "Where Children Soar"
MAY 2, 2025**

Dear Windermere Elementary School families,

We are enjoying the wonderful spring weather and there are numerous field trips in the works over the next two months of school. Keep an eye on teacher emails to update you on the learning experiences that your child will be able to participate in. We often need parent volunteers to make these trips happen and we thank those of you who join us on these fun learning days!

Attendance continues to be important for May and June as we continue to learn new things to wrap up the school year. The spring assessment window is now open and your child will be assessed in numeracy and literacy to demonstrate growth from our October assessment window. We use this information to highlight students who are on track, as well as those who need support and intervention to stay at grade level. If you have any questions about these benchmark assessments, please reach out to your child's teacher to find out more.

As always, time flies when you are having fun. It's hard to believe we have such a short time with our students before summer break. Please let me know if the WES staff can support you in any way.

Best wishes for a wonderful start to May!

Sincerely,

Keri Gust
Principal, Windermere Elementary School
Rocky Mountain School District

DRUMMING PERFORMANCE



WES students have been participating in weekly drumming sessions led by Patrick Carrick of Rhythm by Nature.

Everyone is welcome to join us on:

Wednesday, May 7th at 2:00pm

where students will showcase what they have been learning over their six weeks of drumming.

Hello All,

With spring in the air the students are LOVING going outside for recess to play! We are looking for any sand toys or sporting equipment that you may not be using anymore. Baseball mitts, soccer balls, anything! Also sand toys or metal bowls and large spoons to have fun in the sandbox with.

Please keep in mind that they need to be in good shape and not broken!

If you could drop the items off at the front office area and Aldene will sort through and bring them outside for everyone to enjoy.

Thanks,

Aldene



Next Hot Lunch
Tuesday, May 6th

Chicken Penne Alfredo & Caesar Salad

Please remember your container with a lid!

Show your school spirit! Order some WES gear!

Due to popular demand, we are offering one more chance to order WES clothing for this year. Please see below for information and how to order. WES students and staff wear their blue WES gear to school on Fridays to show some fun school spirit. We hope you'll join us in representing our awesome school.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to order yours!



Place your orders online through your [SchoolCash](#) account.

Orders due by May 10, 2025

Blue WES T-shirt	Youth sizes XS-XL Adult sizes S-6XL	\$22.00
Blue WES Crewneck Sweatshirt	Adult sizes S-4XL	\$33.00
Gray WES 1/4 Zip Sweatshirt with collar	Adult sizes S-4XL	\$50.00
Blue WES Full Zip Hoodie	Youth sizes S-XL Adult sizes S-4XL	\$45.00
Blue WES Hoodie	Youth sizes S-XL Adult sizes S-4XL	\$35.00
Trucker Hat		\$22.00
Toque		\$18.00

Nutrition Program

WOW Happy Maycember everyone! Where the month fly's by like December but with sunshine!

Mon May 5th - Marvelous Muffin Monday and fruit

Tues May 6th - Oatmeal and a Fruit

Wed May 7th - Breakfast Burritos and a fruit

Thurs May 8th - Yogurt parfaits and a fruit

Fri May 9th - Smoothies

Mon May 12th - Marvelous Muffin Monday and fruit

Tues May 13th - Oatmeal and a Fruit

Wed May 14th - Yogurt Tarts and a fruit

Thurs May 15th - Bagels and a fruit

Fri May 16th - Smoothies

This week's recipe:

Is a quick Dutch Baby made in the blender. What is a Dutch Baby? A large pancake baked in the oven! And they are delicious!

4 tbsp butter
3 large eggs
2/3 cup flour
2/3 cup whole milk
1/2 tsp vanilla extract
1/8 tsp salt

- Preheat oven to 425F.
- Add butter to a 10" cast iron pan and place in oven until butter has melted and pan is warm. About 2-3 min. Make sure not to burn the butter.
- Add eggs to a blender and blend on medium/low until eggs are pale in colour, fluffly and bubbly. About 30 seconds.
- Add remaining ingredients. Blend until only combined. Batter will be thin and bubbly.
- Pour batter into hot melted butter.
- Bake for 20 minutes.

Serve with butter, syrup, fresh fruit etc.

Enjoy!



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2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Note: NIDs may change as they are subject to agreement by RMTA

JULY

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Canada Day: Jul 1

Instructional Days: 0

AUGUST

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Civic Holiday - Aug 4

Instructional Days: 0

SEPTEMBER

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Labour Day: Sep 1; Admin Day: Sep 2; Back to School: Sep 3
Non-Instructional Day: Sep 22
NID Day for Truth and Reconciliation: Sep 30

Instructional Days: 18

OCTOBER

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Thanksgiving: Oct 13
Non-Instructional Day (PSA): Oct 24

Instructional Days: 21

NOVEMBER

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Remembrance Day: Nov 11

Instructional Days: 19

DECEMBER

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Christmas/Boxing Day - Dec 25&26
Winter Break: Dec 22 - Jan 5

Instructional Days: 15

JANUARY

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New Year's Day: Jan 1; School Reopens: Jan 5
Non-Instructional Day: Jan 26

Instructional Days: 19

FEBRUARY

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Non-Instructional Day: Feb 17
Family Day: Feb 16

Instructional Days: 18

MARCH

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Spring Break: Mar 16 - 27; School Reopens: Mar 30
Instructional Days: 12

APRIL

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Good Friday: April 3; Easter Monday: April 6
Non-Instructional Day (for Pro-D- RSA): Apr 20

Instructional Days: 19

MAY

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Victoria Day - May 18

Instructional Days: 20

JUNE

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Last Day of school for students: Jun 24
Non-Instructional Day: Jun 25
Administrative Day: Jun 26

Instructional days: 18

LEGEND:

Instructional Days

Non-Instructional Days

Statutory Holidays

Hours of Instruction Offered:

Kindergarten: 853

Grades 1-7: 878

Grades 8-12: 952

Days of Instruction: 179

Non-Instructional Days: 6

Ministry NID: 1 (June 25)

Admin Days: 2 (Sep 2 & Jun 26)

Please note a few key changes to next years' approved 2025-2025 School Calendar based on feedback received during the public calendar consultation period:

1. Wednesday, September 3, 2025, will be the first day of school for students and will be a full day of classes.
2. Wednesday, June 24, 2026, will be the last day of school for students and will be a full day of classes.

WES BELL SCHEDULE FOR 2025—2026

First Day Bell Schedule Wed, Sept 3, 2025

Monday to Thursday

Friday

8:25	Warning Bell	8:25	Warning Bell	8:25	Warning Bell
8:28	Classes Begin	8:28	Classes Begin	8:28	Classes Begin
10:11	Recess Begins	10:11	Recess Begins	10:34	Recess Begins
10:30	Recess Ends	10:30	Recess Ends	10:55	Recess Ends
12:00	Lunch Begins	12:00	Lunch Begins	12:45	Dismissal
12:20	Lunch Ends	12:20	Lunch Ends		
12:25	Recess Begins	12:25	Recess Begins		
12:45	Warning Bell	12:45	Warning Bell		
12:49	Classes Begin	12:49	Classes Begin		
2:45	Dismissal	2:45	Dismissal		



Badminton Jamboree



ART FROM THE HEART VISIT AND A NATURE WALK





School District 6 - DPAC

2025 AGM AGENDA

May 13th at 6:00pm

Dear Parents,

If you are looking to get involved in making a positive impact on your kids' education and extra-curricular opportunities within our school district, the District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) is looking for representatives (one from each school in SD6) to form the SD6 DPAC Executive.

Please mark your calendar for the DPAC AGM on Tuesday, May 13th at 6pm. This meeting will be held via Zoom. Tentative agenda is attached. If you wish to be nominated as an executive for DPAC please reach out to Katrina Chapman at k.elyse.chapman@gmail.com

What is a DPAC

DPACs are the legislated parent voice at the school district level, representing the collective views of school [Parents' Advisory Councils \(PAC\)](#) in a school district.

DPACs advise the board of education on any matter relating to education in their school district. DPACs advocate for parental involvement in the education system and give input into the development of education policy. As an official stakeholder, the DPAC is offered seat(s) on district committees such as policy, finance or budget etc.

What Does DPAC Do?

DPACs support and encourage PACs and parents in accessing the school system at all levels by providing regular forums for the exchange of ideas and information to ensure that public education serves the best interests of all students.

The Role Of An Elected DPAC Representative

The roles, duties and responsibilities of elected DPAC representatives vary but generally, DPAC representatives:

- Act as a liaison between the PAC and DPAC by attending DPAC meetings
- Communicate and obtain information to and from PAC

Bring forward issues that may be common to more than one school

COLUMBIA VALLEY ARTS COUNCIL PRESENTS

ART FROM THE HEART 2025

ARTIST RECEPTION : SATURDAY 3 MAY | 2 - 5 PM

ART SHOW DATES:
MAY 1ST TO MAY 31TH

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Art
from the



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LEGO EXPO RETURNS!

To the Columbia Valley Centre

June 28, 2025

12-3 pm



Registration is now OPEN!

Call or email to register your own display booth!

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