



Dear Kindergarten Families,

On behalf of our entire staff, we welcome your family to Kindergarten at Horace Allen School. We look forward to working with you over the next four years.

Let me begin by introducing myself to you. My name is Mrs. Garner and I am the principal at HAS. I look forward to meeting new faces and getting to know you and your children. I have been the principal of HAS for the past 11 years and have worked in the CNP schools for the past 26 years. I can be contacted at [garnere@lrsd.ab.ca](mailto:garnere@lrsd.ab.ca) or 403-563-3998.

Ms. Dembicki is the Assistant Principal at HAS. She has been a valuable member of HAS for the past 10 years, teaching and supporting students in many roles. Ms. Dembicki will be part of a team who will provide Learning Support to students and families for the 2020-21 school year. Ms. Dembicki can be contacted at [dembickim@lrsd.ab.ca](mailto:dembickim@lrsd.ab.ca) or 403-563-3998.

Mrs. Kulak is our kindergarten teacher and she is very excited to be working with you and your child in September. Originally from Edmonton, she has been teaching for 11 years, with the past five at HAS. She has a passion for outdoor, inquiry, and play-based learning. Mrs. Kulak can be contacted at [kulakk@lrsd.ab.ca](mailto:kulakk@lrsd.ab.ca) or 403-563-3998.

Another person that you will have contact with is Mrs. Snider, HAS's Admin. Assistant. She is the first person you will connect with while visiting the school. Upon entering the school, Mrs. Snider will ask that you sign in when entering the school, and sign out when you leave. This helps provide accurate information about who is in the building in the case of a fire drill or a lockdown situation. Mrs. Snider is also the contact if your child is going to be absent. She can be reached at [sniderc@lrsd.ab.ca](mailto:sniderc@lrsd.ab.ca) or at 403-563-3998.

With all of the uncertainty around COVID-19, it is difficult to project at this time what school will look like in September 2020. Please know that we will inform you as plans are made provincially, divisionally and at our site. HAS's website continues to be updated with information. Please visit HAS's website regularly for updated information. [www.horaceallenschool.ca](http://www.horaceallenschool.ca)

Typically, we have met with each new kindergarten student in the spring to complete the "Early Years Evaluation - Direct Assessment" - a one-on-one developmental check-in. However; due to the current circumstances, we ask that this year you complete the online Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ). This information will inform both your family and your child's Kindergarten teacher about areas of strengths and stretches for your child in the coming school year. Please see the attached information and instructions on completing this valuable questionnaire.

Please do not hesitate to contact any of us with your questions. I am sorry that we cannot meet in person at this time, but look forward to visiting with your family personally as soon as it is safe for everyone.

Take care. Stay safe.

Elaine Garner, Principal and HAS Team