



Bienvenidos a la Escuela Glenmeadows Welcome to Glenmeadows School



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Path to excellence*



Calgary Board
of Education



Escuela Glenmeadows School (EGS) International Spanish Academy



Sr. Suarez
Principal



Sra. Fandino
Assistant Principal



Agenda

6:00 – 6:30 Welcome, Introductions
Guacamaya Video
School Society/Council
Overview Kindergarten/Gr 1
Spanish Bilingual Program
Registration
Transportation
Child's Play

6:30-6:40 Questions and answers

6:40-7:00 Quick Tours



School Council and Society



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EGS Council and Society





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Sra Gamundi
Kindergarten



Sra. Foster
Kindergarten



Srta. Rivas
Grade 6 - LL



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Sra. Sarria
Grade One



Sra. Rodriguez
Grade One



Sra. Lopez
Grade One





Alternative Programs

- Providing families choices to meet the unique learning needs of each student
- Programs focus on a particular language, culture, subject (Spanish, Stem)
- Informed choice is essential – what is THIS particular program about and how does it meet MY child's needs?





Benefits to Learning Another Language

- Additional Language learning enables students to further develop their literacy, problem-solving and memory skills while building confidence and pride in learning another language.
- Expands the intellect
- Teaches responsible citizenship
- Develops enhanced feelings of self-esteem and pride in having acquired an additional language
- Strengthens English literacy skills
- Encourages the joy of lifelong learning
- Promotes exploration, understanding and appreciation of the many different cultures around the world and contributes to multilingualism and multiculturalism
- Allows students to compete internationally
- Provides students with more choices for advanced education and career options
- Broadens students' cultural life through access to literature, art, music and theatre in another language



Watch your child
become fluent.

M is for ~~Moon~~
Luna

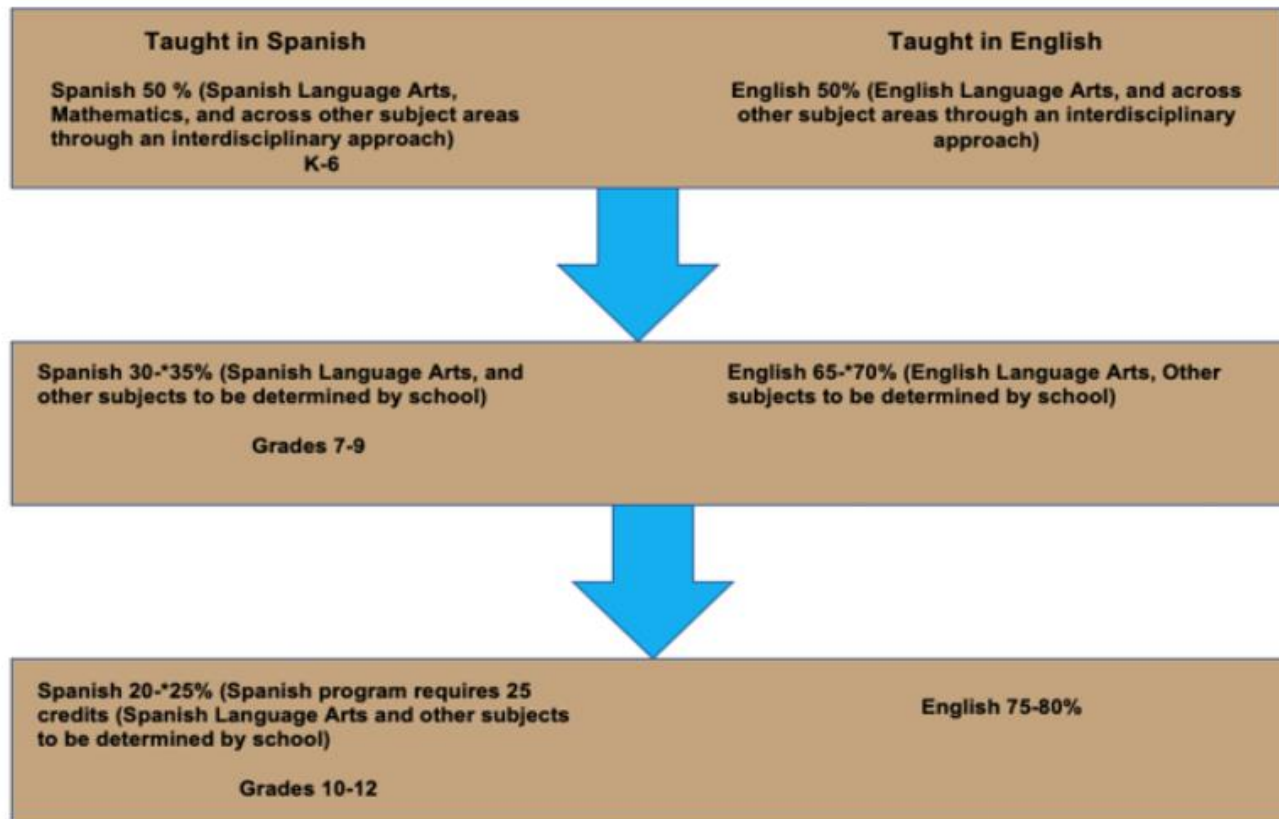
A Spanish Bilingual Education, Your Gateway to the World
Empowered. Globally competent. Equipped to actively participate in the world.

Who Can Register

- Children entering kindergarten or Grade 1 can register.
- Previous Spanish experience is not required and parents do not need to know the language.
- Students with previous Spanish language experience may start the Spanish Bilingual program at other grade levels. In the case of an alternate entry point, parents will reach out to the school directly to arrange an appointment for language assessment for suitable placement.



Español



*International Spanish Academy

Timeline for Registration

- Registration will begin mid-January for the 2025-26 school year
- Closed noon on Tuesday before Teachers' Convention ([February 11, 2025, noon](#))
- Lottery drawn on Wednesday before Teachers' Convention ([February 12, 2025, noon](#))
- Results of the lottery draw sent within 10 business days of the draw
- Parents must accept/decline within 10 business days from the date of the acceptance letter



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Alternative Programs | Expression of Interest

Below is the process for submitting an Expression of Interest for a school not in lottery. This process applies to students currently enrolled in kindergarten to Grade 8. Students currently enrolled and in Grades 9 to 11 must follow [the High School Transfer Process](#).

Complete An Expression of Interest With These 5 Steps

1

Sign In to MyCBE

Open MyCBE 

*This process is only for currently enrolled K-8 students. High school students must complete the High School Transfer Process.

Refer to [SchoolEngage Support](#) for detailed steps.

2

Open SchoolEngage

In MyCBE navigate to



SchoolEngage is located in the left menu.

3

Complete the Online
Expression of Interest
Form

Find and select the online Expression of Interest Form.

Read the information and complete all the fields in the form.

Tip

Remember to hit the green **Submit** button at the end of the form to ensure it has been fully completed.

4

Completed Form Sent to
School for Processing

Please be patient as the school works through all their completed Expression of Interest Forms.

School staff will contact you if there are any questions or concerns.

Please do not call the school.





Complete the Registration Process Following These Steps

1

Create a SchoolEngage Account



1. Go to [SchoolEngage](#)
2. Click *Create Account* button
3. Complete the Account Form
4. Check your Email for Confirmation and Click on the Confirmation Link
5. Sign in to SchoolEngage
6. Add a student

Refer to [SchoolEngage Support](#) for detailed steps

Launch
SchoolEngage 

2

Complete Registration Form

In SchoolEngage complete the Registration Form

In this step you will select **both** your child's designated alternative program and regular designated program school.

TIP

Remember to hit the green **Submit** button at the end of the Registration Form to ensure it has been fully completed.

3

Completed Form Sent to School For Processing

Please be patient as the school works through all their completed registrations.

School staff will contact you if there are any questions or concerns.

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School Informs Parents

The school informs the parent they are accepted into the program.

School may require additional forms to be completed.



Designation of CBE Spanish Bilingual Program Schools

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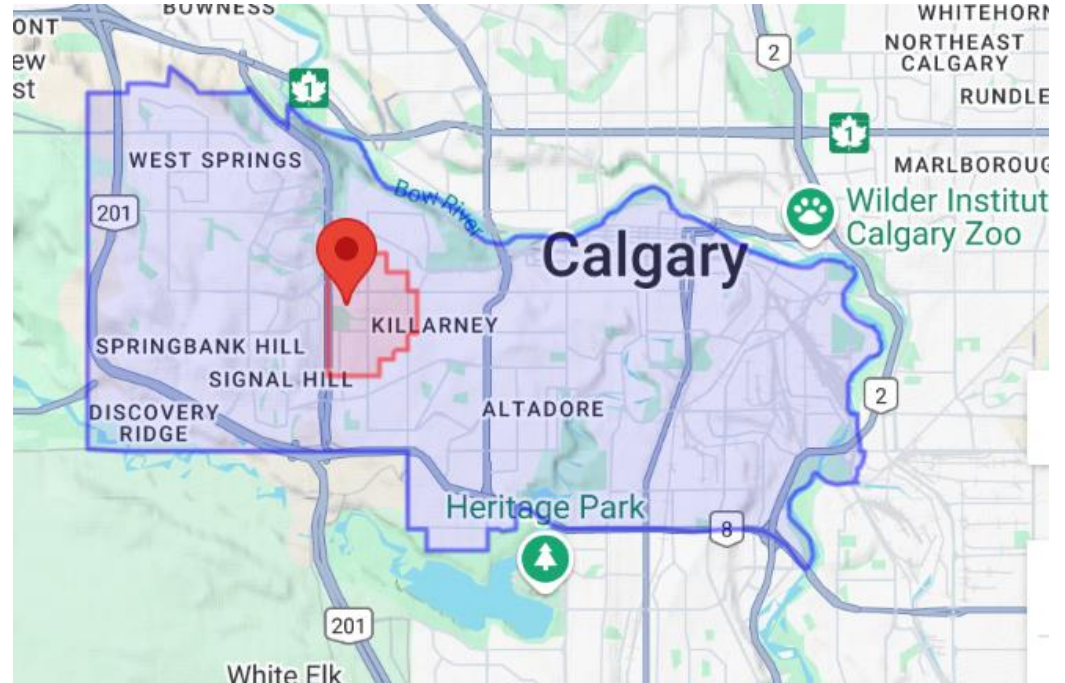
- Glenmeadows (Gr. K-6)
- A.E. Cross (Gr. 7-9)
- Crescent Heights (Gr10-12)





Map of caption zone

<https://www.cbe.ab.ca/schools/finding-a-school/Pages/default.aspx#>

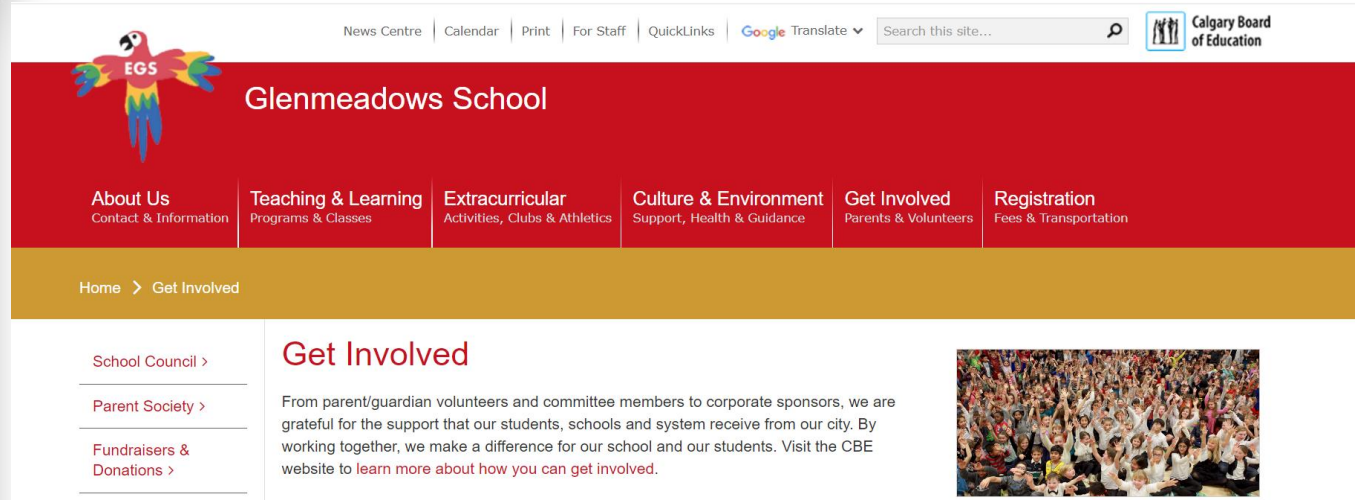


Kindergarten CBE Information



A central poster for Kindergarten CBE Information. At the top left is the URL cbe.ab.ca. The main text reads "Kindergarten" in large purple letters and "Come learn with us!" in blue letters below it. At the bottom left is the Calgary Board of Education logo, which consists of three stylized human figures. The poster is surrounded by a collage of eight small photographs showing children in various educational and outdoor settings: a girl in a winter hat, two boys reading, a girl with a pencil, children running in a park, a girl looking at a laptop, a girl holding a pink object, and a boy with glasses.

Escuela Glenmeadows School Website



The screenshot shows the website for Escuela Glenmeadows School. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for News Centre, Calendar, Print, For Staff, QuickLinks, Google Translate, and a search bar. The school's logo, a colorful parrot with 'EGS' on its chest, is on the left. The main header is red with the school name 'Glenmeadows School' in white. Below this is a horizontal menu with six categories: About Us (Contact & Information), Teaching & Learning (Programs & Classes), Extracurricular (Activities, Clubs & Athletics), Culture & Environment (Support, Health & Guidance), Get Involved (Parents & Volunteers), and Registration (Fees & Transportation). A breadcrumb trail shows 'Home > Get Involved'. The 'Get Involved' section has a sidebar with links to School Council, Parent Society, and Fundraisers & Donations. The main content area is titled 'Get Involved' and contains a paragraph about the support from volunteers and sponsors, with a link to learn more. To the right is a large photo of a group of students and staff cheering.

News Centre | Calendar | Print | For Staff | QuickLinks | Google Translate | Search this site...

EGS

Glenmeadows School

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Home > Get Involved

[School Council >](#)

[Parent Society >](#)

[Fundraisers & Donations >](#)

Get Involved

From parent/guardian volunteers and committee members to corporate sponsors, we are grateful for the support that our students, schools and system receive from our city. By working together, we make a difference for our school and our students. Visit the CBE website to [learn more about how you can get involved](#).



Please visit our School Council and Society pages for more information.



Current School Hours

Grades 1 – 6

Monday – Thursday 9:10 AM – 3:50 PM (Recess at 1:50-2:05 PM)

Fridays 9:10 AM – 1:30 PM (Recess at 10:55-11:10)

Kindergarten AM

Monday - Thursday: 9:10 AM to 12:00 PM

Alternating Fridays for AM and PM classes.

Fridays: 9:10 AM to 1:30 PM (academic nutritional break at 12:00 PM)

Kindergarten PM

Monday - Thursday: 1:00 PM to 3:50 PM

Alternating Fridays for AM and PM classes

Fridays: 9:10 AM to 1:30 PM (academic nutritional break at 12:00 PM)





Current School Year Configuration

Principal: **Ray Suarez**

Assistant Principal: **Carmen Fandino**

Learning Leaders: **Yasmina Rivas**

Current population is 385 students with the following grade configuration:

1.5 Kindergarten (2 x AM and 1 PM)

3 Grade 1

3 Grade 2

3 Grade 3

2 Grade 4

2 Grade 5

2 Grade 6

1 Music Specialist

Total of 20 Certificated Teaching Staff

1 Library Assistant

1 School Assistants, 1 Administrative Assistant, 9 Lunchroom Supervisors



Transportation Considerations

- K-5 yellow bus transportation provided following CBE congregated stop guidelines for alternative programs
- transportation for grades 6-9 may be offered through congregated yellow bus stops or Calgary Transit (no rebates are provided)
- parents pay an annual fee for CBE yellow bus service or purchase monthly Calgary Transit passes
- Congregated stops are reviewed annually and informed by pre-registration for transportation, online through [MyCBE/PowerSchool](#)
- Congregated stops may not be within walking distance and alternate arrangements may be required to access the congregated stop

Additional Costs may be incurred for Field Trips





Transportation (cont'd)

Morning Kindergarten

The bus will pick up your child from their assigned bus stop to bring them to school and you will be responsible for picking them up at the end of the morning.

Afternoon Kindergarten

You are responsible for getting your child to school and the bus will drop them off at their assigned bus stop at the end of the school day.

An adult must be present at the bus stop for kindergarten drop-offs or pick-ups.





Kindergarten

Parents will be asked at registration if they have a preference for morning or afternoon Kindergarten. Priority for PM will be given to community students.

The preference is for organizational purposes.

We are unable to accommodate requests for a specific teacher or classroom.

If there are more requests than we can accommodate for either AM or PM, we will organize community students in PM. We can only accept up to 46 students in AM.

Parents will be informed of their child's placement at the orientation meeting in May.

If you have no preference, please indicate this during your registration so we may group students accordingly.

It is also important that you complete the Welcome to Kindergarten Parent Viewpoint as this is used to balance classes.





Noon Supervision Grade 1-6

Students who have lunch at school are supervised by Noon Supervisors.

For the 2024-25 school year, the fee was \$305

For more information on the noon supervision program and fees please see:

<https://cbe.ab.ca/programs/noon-supervision/Pages/default.aspx>

Additional costs may be incurred for school-related field trips, performances and other learning and enrichment opportunities.





Examples

Residencies, fieldtrips and special events:

- Music Specialist
- Artist in residence
- Swimming
- *Que Pasa* Jubilee Performance
- STEM: In-house projects and Telus Spark
- Daily Physical Education





When can I start Kindergarten?

- **Registration for the 2025-2026 school year begins Monday, Jan. 13, 2025.**
- **For the 2025 school year**, you may register your child for kindergarten as long as they turn five years old on or before Dec. 31 of the school year they will be in kindergarten. For example, when registering for the 2025-26 school year, **your child must turn five on or before Dec. 31, 2025.**
- Our [Kindergarten Registration Guide](#) will assist you in ensuring you are prepared for every part of school registration.





When can I start Grade One?

- **Grade 1** - Children must be at least six years old as of Dec. 31, 2025 to start Grade 1 in 2025-26.
 - All day





Kindergarten and Grade One Curriculum

Learn Alberta

Kindergarten to Grade 6 curriculum

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





STEM



STEM

Science-Technology-Engineering-Math

Problem solving Critical Thinking Creativity
Collaboration Fun Engaging



Celebration of STEM Accomplishments- Calgary Youth Science Fair April 2024



-At Escuela Glenmeadows, we were recognized with an award for the highest cumulative score amongst all participating elementary schools.

-Received a silver medals & Gold medals

-Received Pathways Alliance Award for Innovation and Sustainability

-Received Grant MacEwan Nature Protection Award for Elementary

-Received Alberta Teachers' Association, Calgary Public Teachers' Local 38 Awards for Elementary





Glenmeadows School Learning Supports

Classroom Teachers and the School Learning Team initially address learning concerns. Further supports in assessment and identification of learning issues may be available through the Calgary Board of Education.

Students may qualify for speech/language/fine motor skills therapies through CBE specialists, Community Outreach of Pediatrics and Psychiatry in Education or Alberta Health Services.





EGS Learning Supports

School Supports: Spanish visiting teachers, Educational Assistants, School Assistants, Noon Supervisors, Practicum student teachers (Teaching and Educational Assistants)

English Additional Learners: support is available to facilitate development of English language skills. Support provided is dependent upon student need.

Special Needs: students with an *Individual Program Plan* are supported by the teacher and Student Learning Team.

CBE Supports: Occupational, Physical & Speech Language Therapists, Psychologist and Technology support





Welcome to Kinder and Grade 1

You will be cordially invited to our School Orientation that will be held in May 2024, where students will be invited into the current classrooms for a lesson.



[Get Ready. Get Set. Kindergarten Registration Opens Jan. 13](#)



Child's Play

REGISTRATION OPENS April/May

Child's Play KG

7:00 am – 9:00 am (AM KG) and 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm or
7:00 am – 1:00 pm (PM KG) and 3:50 pm – 6:00 pm

Child's Play Grade 1-6

7:00 am – 9:00 am
3:50 pm – 6:00 pm

<https://www.childsplaycanada.ca/>





Questions and Answers

