



GRAMINIA SCHOOL

Welcome

Our focus is on the whole child from the time students enter the school. During that time, staff and parents are able to watch their children grow into responsible citizens who receive a strong academic program from a team of dedicated staff. We are a caring, community-oriented school that serves a largely rural population. The daily interactions between students, staff and parents reflect a high level of respect and genuine affection.



This package is meant to welcome you to the Graminia Community School family and to serve as a reference guide; providing information and resources that will help you and your family settle in to your new school.



Bell Schedule

School Office Hours - 7:33am - 3:30pm

Bell Times

Breaks and Periods

7:35am

Buses Arrive

7:55am

Registration & Announcements

8:00-8:45am

Period 1

8:45-9:30am

Period 2

9:30-9:45am

Break

9:45-10:30am

Period 3

10:30-11:15 am

Period 4

11:15am-12:15pm

Lunch

12:15-12:20pm

Afternoon Announcements

12:20-1:05pm

Period 5

1:05-1:50pm

Period 6

1:50-2:35pm

Period 7

2:45pm

Buses Leave School

GRAMINIA SCHOOL CALENDAR <http://graminia.psd70.ab.ca/Events.php>

Graminia School Contact Information

Phone: 780-963-5035

Email: Graminia@psd70.ab.ca

<http://graminia.psd70.ab.ca>

General Information

*Student Handbook can be found at the following link in PDF format, <http://graminia.psd70.ab.ca/Reports.php> in this document you will find expectations of students (dress code, code of conduct, technology policy), school policy(injury protocol, inclement weather policy), division policies and much more.

*Graminia is a PAPERLESS school, this means report cards, forms, permissions, field trips, registration, payments, scheduling of teacher conferences and more will be found on POWERSCHOOL

<http://graminia.psd70.ab.ca/view.php?action=object&id=9447&stream=Homepage%20News> please contact the office for login information and assistance.

Graminia School Newsletter and Blogs

Subscribing is easy! In the bottom right hand corner on the home page of the Graminia School website, <http://graminia.psd70.ab.ca> you will find detailed information on how to subscribe to the school newsletter. We want to continue to keep you up to date with events at our school. Note: If you do not subscribe, we may be unable to send you electronic communications.

BLOGS: Each teacher at Graminia School has a dedicated blog, Google Classroom, and/or a Social Media site that can be used by parents to keep up to date on what is happening in the classroom as well as to communicate with your child's teacher. Blogs can be found on the website, you will also find email addresses on this page for each staff member. Another great way to keep in touch with your child's teacher!

<http://graminia.psd70.ab.ca/Social%20Media.php>

***Teachers are also available for one on one meetings upon request; you can also always contact the administration with any questions and/or concerns. ***

Graminia school encourages active communication between parents and the staff!!

Powerschool

PowerSchool is a secure web-based student management system designed to strengthen communication between the school and home. It provides parents and legal guardians online access to their children's progress in school.

Parents are able to create a PowerSchool account and link it to each of their children's accounts by using the access codes supplied by the school.

Parents will find Registration, Report Cards, Forms, Permissions and much more on powerschool. You are now able to make payments on Power School as well!

If you have any questions or need assistance with set up or login please contact the school office

PowerSchool is also available to use on your mobile device as a free downloadable app for iOS and Android. (The mobile app has some limited function)



Bussing Information and Contact Information

Student Transportation

4603-48 Street Stony Plain, AB T7Z 2A8

Phone: 780-963-8452

Email: Transportation@psd70.ab.ca

You should also receive contact information from the bus driver that picks up/drops off your child. Up to date Bus schedule information can be found at <http://www.psd70.ab.ca/Bus%20Schedule.php> this is the best way to check for cancelled or delayed busses.

*The transportation department will contact parents if busses are delayed or cancelled.

*A bus pass will be issued to each student. Students must have this pass with them each day. Replacement passes will be issued at a cost of \$20.

Graminia Parent Council and Foundation

Graminia Community School Foundation

The Graminia Community School Foundation is a registered society that hosts a variety of fundraising activities throughout the school year. Our fundraising efforts help support the Graminia School initiatives that enhance the experience for educational learning and student wellness.

The foundation is a parent-run group of volunteers who organize the fundraising that the School Council and Principal request throughout the school year. We organize and host many different social events that help fund additional activities and expense that are not covered through the school budget such as Bingos, Spell-a-Thons and appreciation days.

All parents and guardians of children attending Graminia School are welcome to attend Council & Foundation meetings.

Graminia Community School Council

School Council is a collective association of parents, teachers, principal and community representatives whose purpose is to advise the principal and the board on matters relating to the school. It is an excellent opportunity for parents and community members to work together with the school to support and enhance student learning.

The purpose of the Council is to provide a platform for the school Administration to consult with parents and increase mutual understanding of matters within the school. The Council also plans in conjunction with the Principal the use of the funds raised by the Foundation.

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/GraminiaSchoolFamilies/>

Instagram : <https://www.instagram.com/p/BeYLvJfA3rx/>

You can find either of these pages by searching Graminia School Council Foundation.

Council and Foundation members regularly update these pages with information about school activities, classroom activities, community activities, and information resources. They are a great way to stay up to date on what is happening in and around our school.

Volunteer Opportunities at Graminia

*Graminia School Council

*Graminia Foundation

*Assisting in classrooms

*Literacy program

*Hot Lunch program

*Field Trips

*Sports Teams (Assisting staff)

*Library

*Recycling program(Organized on a rotating schedule by classroom)

*Cultural Activities

*Swinging Band Society

*Graminia Rink Society

Extra Curricular Activities

*Downhill Skiing(Grades 4-9)

*Junior & Senior Volleyball (Grades 6-9)

*Junior & Senior Basketball (Grades 6-9)

*Junior & Senior Badminton (Grades 6-9)

*Karate

*Taekwondo

*Track & Field (Grades 4-9)

Spring League Basketball (Grades 4-6)

*Soccer (5 yr-adult)

*Cross Country Running (K-9)

*Band (Grade 6-9)

*Contact the office to find out more information about these activities and when they are scheduled throughout the year.

***School council organizes a Meet The Teacher Night in the first weeks of the school year where you can find out about all the activities offered in the school and community as well as all the volunteer opportunities.**

Hot Lunch Program

The Hot Lunch Program is operated by the Graminia School Foundation and offers a variety of hot food and nutritious snacks to students and staff on a daily basis. Students and/or parents pre-order their prepared lunches one month in advance using the order forms distributed to all students.

Orders are prepared and delivered to classrooms for distribution at the beginning of the lunch eating period. Parents are asked to let the lunch program know if their child will be arriving late so that the lunch can be included in the classroom delivery.

Hot lunch can now be ordered online!

1. Go to <https://graminia.hotlunches.net/>.
2. Select "Register" from the menu at the top right hand corner to sign up.
3. Set up your user id and password.
4. Once registered you are automatically logged into the website.
5. Add your student(s) by selecting the Student link at the bottom of the page you are on.
6. Follow the online instructions to order and pay. You can pay by credit card without creating a PayPal account.

The Graminia Student Handbook may be found at the following link

<http://graminia.psd70.ab.ca/Reports.php>

If you can't find the information you are looking for in the above welcome package or in the Student Handbook please contact the school office

Parkland School Division

Website: <http://www.psd70.ab.ca/>

Centre for Education

4603 - 48 Street

Stony Plain, Alberta T7Z 2A8

Phone: 780-963-4010

Toll Free: 1-800-282-3997 (only in Alberta)

Fax: 780-963-4169

Email: DivisionOffice@psd70.ab.ca

Parkland School Division Leadership Team

<http://www.psd70.ab.ca/Executive%20Leadership%20Team.php>

Graminia School Board Trustee

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