

SD33 Early Learning & Child Care Update

May 21st, 2024

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Province integrating child care options into schools

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More families will save time, money and stress as the Province moves forward with fully integrated before- and after-school care on school grounds.



Early Learning & Child Care Organization

Our Early Learning & Child Care Team

- Nicole Driscoll District Principal of Early Learning and Child Care
- Laura Callaghan (Management) Early Learning and Child Care Coordinator
- Karen Allan (CTA) Early Literacy Coordinator
- Amber Mothus (CUPE) Early Years Family Navigator

SD33 ELCC has a total of 45 staff members (at multiple sites)



Ministry of Education and Child Care

District Principal of Early Learning & Child Care

Through the Ministry of Education and Child Care funded position, it's intended that the District Principal of Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC):

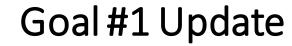
- Support schools and the district in deepening their understanding of **Early Learning** and Child Care on school grounds and establish growing, strong working relationships with early years' service providers on school grounds.
- Build and strengthen relationships between the district, schools, and community.
- Support integrated planning for increased access to affordable, quality child care.
- Increase the capacity of the district to expand access to affordable, quality child care on school grounds.



2023/24 Goals of the Early Learning & Child Care Team

- Goal 1: Increase Early Years and Child Care communication: website creation, Facebook, Instagram. Completed as of February 2024.
- Goal 2: Establish Before After School Care in every elementary school by 2025. As of Sept. 2024 we will have Before & After School Care in 18/21 schools.

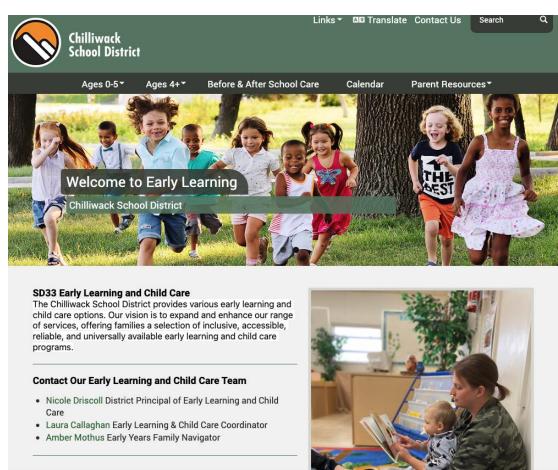
• Goal 3: Support early years transitions with increased opportunities for high quality, universal programming. Completed and continuing to enhance.





Goal 1: Increase Early Years and Child Care Communication

- Created SD33 Early Learning & Child Care
 Website
- Renamed and provide regular update on our ELCC Facebook and Instagram page
- Coordinated programming Google calendar with Chilliwack Community Services,
 Fraser Valley Child Development Center and SD33





SD33 Early Learning and Child Care

The Chilliwack School District provides various early learning and child care options. Our vision is to expand and enhance our range of services, offering familiable and



Free programming in Chilliwack for your children 0-6 years

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Goal 2: Establish Before & After School Care at Every Elementary School by 2025

- Vision of creating a continuum of care that is inclusive, accessible, reliable, and universal.
- Partnership with community agencies:
 - ✓ Chilliwack Child & Youth Early Years Committee
 - ✓ Chilliwack Child Care Action Plan Committee
- Opened 6 Before/After School Child Care sites (Central, Watson, Stito:s, Vedder, Robertson and Strathcona Elementary) 204 child care spaces for school age care
- 2023/24 hired 23 Before/After School Care Assistants
- We will be posting 33 positions for the 2024/25 school year for BASC



Expansion of Before & After School Care 2021-2024

School	0-5 Drop-in	arly Learning & Child Preschool	0-5	BASC School	0-5 Drop-in	2023/24 Early Learning Preschool	0-5	BASC School
	Programs		Child Care	Age	Programs		Child Care	Age
Bernard	StrongStart			YMCA	StrongStart			YMCA
Central	StrongStart Family Place	Community School			StrongStart Family Place	Community School		School District
Cheam	·							
Cultus Lake	StrongStart			For-Profit	StrongStart		Community School (Sept. 202	Community School (Sept. 2024)
E. Cwk				For-Profit				For-Profit
Evans				For-Profit				For-Profit
Leary IAT				YMCA				YMCA
Greendale								School District (Sept. 2024)
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McCammon	StrongStart			For-Profit	StrongStart			For-Profit
Promontory				Community School				Community School
Robertson					Family Navigator Coffee & Connect	Just B4		School District
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Sardis								
Stito:s	Not built							YMCA
Strathcona	StrongStart				StrongStart			YMCA
Tyson								
Unsworth	StrongStart				StrongStart			School District (Sept. 2024)
Vedder					Family Navigator Coffee & Connect	Just B4 – opening Summer 2024		School District
Watson	StrongStarct				StrongStart	Just B4		YMCA
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Operated and staffed by a for-profit organization



First Steps to Achieve our Goal....

- 1. CYC Early Years Committee
- 2. Child Care Action Plan Committee
- 3. Environmental Scan
- 4. Visit School Sites
- 5. Budgeting
- 6. Survey the Community
- 7. Grants and Licensing
- 8. Staffing/ECE Dual Credit







Chilliwack Child Care

Needs Assessment & Strategy









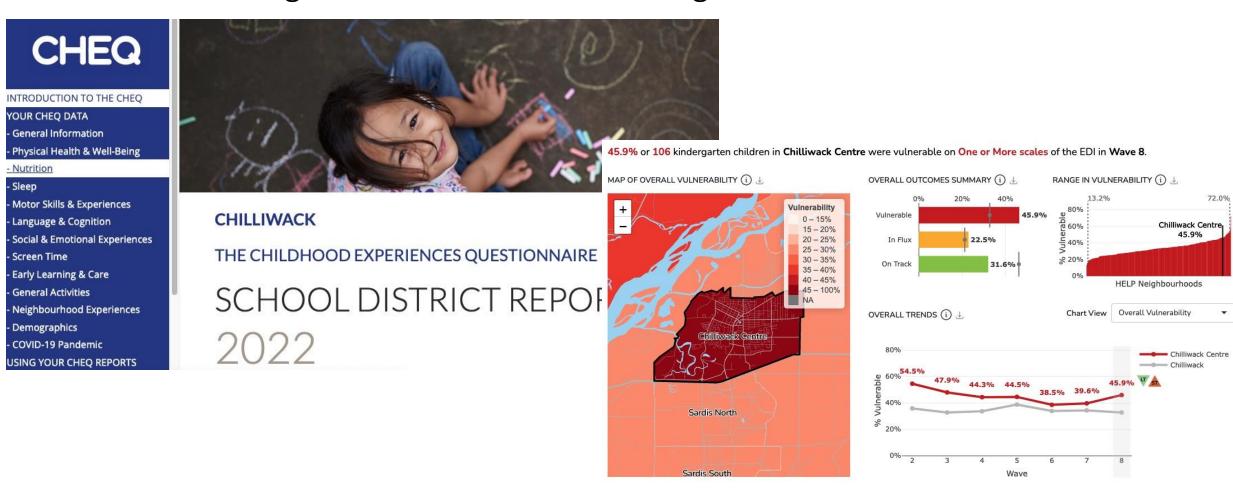






Data Driven Decisions

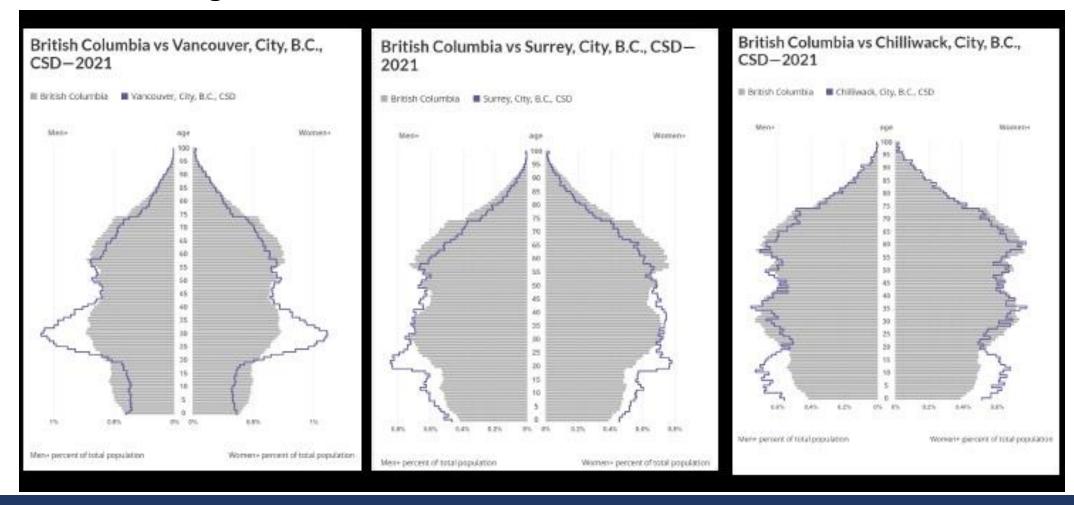
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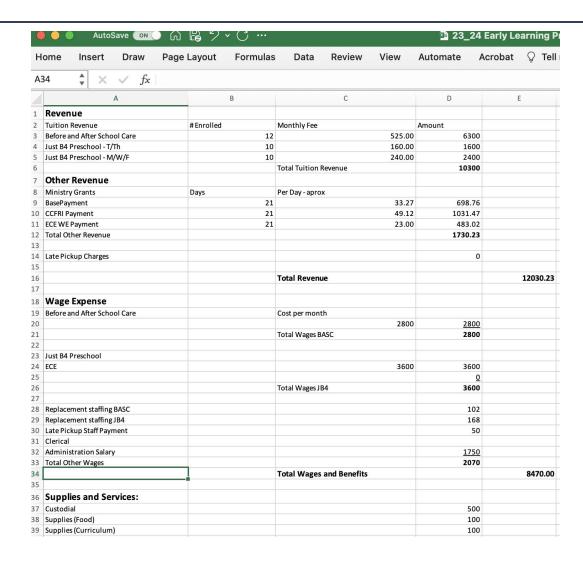


• What info did we gain from Census Data?





Data Driven Decisions





SD33 Early Learning & Child Care Hubs

2023/24 School Year Proposal

- The Chilliwack Child Care Action Plan Committee noted the top four schools with Before and After School Care requests are: Vedder, Robertson, Cheam and Tyson. Recent need made known at Strathcona.
- We propose to start the Early Learning and Child Care Hub Pilot Project at Vedder, Strathcona and Robertson.
- Both Vedder and Robertson do not have current access to BASC or an Early Learning Program (StrongStart/Preschool)
- Each school would receive BASC run by an ECE before school and an EA (responsible adult) after school, a daily 2.5 hour Just B4 Preschool run by the ECE and 2 hours of daily ECE support in K classes.
- Just B4 for "4 year olds" who will be starting Kindergarten the following year.
- A monthly \$1750 surplus to cover any shortfalls or decreased enrolment.

Monthly Program Budget - per site

	Revenue	Expenditures
BASC	6300	
Just B4	4000	
ECE		4800
EA		1950
Custodial		600

Data Driven Decisions

Chilliwack Childcare Needs Survey

As the Ministry of Education has transitioned to the Ministry of Education and Child Care, the Childwack Childcare Action Plan Committee is looking to survey the childcare need in our community.

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- Don't know

- 2. What is your current or upcoming need for childcare?
 - Currently enrolled in a licensed childcare program.

Vedder Elementary Child Care Survey (Before/After School Care for Kindergarten to Gr 5)

SD33 (Chilliwack) is surveying the Vedder Elementary School Community to assess the need and interest of opening a Before and After School Child Care for ages Kindergarten to Grade 5, located at Vedder Elementary. The results of this survey will help us determine the need in the community and how we move forward with future plans. Please note: filling out this survey does not guarantee a child care spot. If before/after school child care opens at Vedder Elementary, we will contact families regarding the registration process.

1. Parent/Care Giver Name (First and Last) *

Enter your answer



Targeted 3-Year Strategic Plan

School Name	Location of Child Care	Future opportunities
	2022/23 (102 new l	BASC spaces/20 part-time Just B4)
Central Seamless Day - SD run	Shared space with StrongStart	Currently 24 new licensed spaces
Watson BASC YMCA <u>run</u> Just B4 – SD run	Shared space with StrongStart and Just B4	Currently 24 new spaces this year for BASC and 10 spaces for Just B4 preschool (20 part-time)
Stitos YMCA	Empty classroom designated for <u>child care</u>	Currently 54 new BASC spaces this year
	2023/24 (72 new B	ASC spaces/80 part-time. Just B4)
Robertson	Own classroom	Create an Early Learning and Child Care Hub 2023/24 -24 new spaces and 20 part-time preschool spaces. Future location of family navigator
Strathcona	Shared space with StrongStart	Create an Early Learning and Child Care Hub 2023/24 -24 new spaces and 20 part time preschool spaces
Vedder	Own shared classroom	Create an Early Learning and Child Care Hub 2023/24 -24 new spaces and 20 part time preschool spaces. Future location of family navigator
Cultus	Gym and change room	Third party retiring in 1 year. School district moving 2 portables to Cultus. 2023/24 SD run preschool. 2024/25 SD run BASC.



Targeted 3-Year Strategic Plan

	2024/25 (96 new l	BASC spaces/80 part-time JustB4)
Cheam	Tour school for space	Open BASC and Early Learning Hub 2024/25
Unsworth - third party for profit across the street	Empty classrooms in the Annex	Open BASC and Early Learning Hub 2024/25
Greendale	Grant for modular on school grounds?	Open BASC and Early Learning Hub 2024/25 - work with community school
Tyson	Tour school for space	Open BASC and Early Learning Hub 2024/25
	Ex	pansion 2025/26
Rosedale - run by community school	Community school room and gym	Ages 3-5 child care, BASC and preschool
Little Mountain - YMCA run	Own classroom	Very large area for possible future building of a multi age <u>child care</u> .
Sardis - <u>non profit</u> run	In their own portable	Expand with SD run BASC 2025/26 since Sardis Children's Centre is full
Leary- YMCA	Own classroom	Expand BASC 2025/26
East Chilliwack - third party for profit	Multi purpose room	Expand BASC 2025/26
Evans - third party for profit	Multi purpose room	We own a large parcel of land beside Evans. Possible future location of a multi age child care.



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Watson	StroneStarct					StrongStart	Just B4	\	YMCA
Yarrow	Community School	Community School	Community Sch	no I Community S	chool	Community School	Community School	Community School	Community School



Goal 3: Support Early Years Transitions With Increased Opportunities for High Quality, Universal Programming

- Early Learning & Child Care Hubs (Robertson, Vedder & Central)
 - ✓ Early Years Family Navigator Coffee & Connect
 - ✓ Just B4 Preschool
 - ✓ Drop-in play
 - ✓ Parent Child Mother Goose
- Staff Learning Sessions and ProD
 - ✓ Strengthening Early Years to Kindergarten
 - ✓ Changing Possibilities for Early Years
 - ✓ K/ECE Partnerships
- Books for Babies
- Ready, Set, Learn and Kinderfair
- StrongStart
- Parent Workshop sessions coordinated with Child Youth Mental Health and Chilliwack Community Services





Early Learning and Child Care Hubs Robertson, Vedder & Central

Our goal is to be able to offer high quality early learning and before and after school care at our Early Learning and Child Care Hubs

- ✓ Full-time ECE at each Hub
- ✓ Just B4 Preschool or Community School Preschool
- ✓ Parent participation Early Learning programs
- ✓ Family Navigator
- ✓ Before After School Care (BASC)
- ✓ Use of EAs to staff BASC





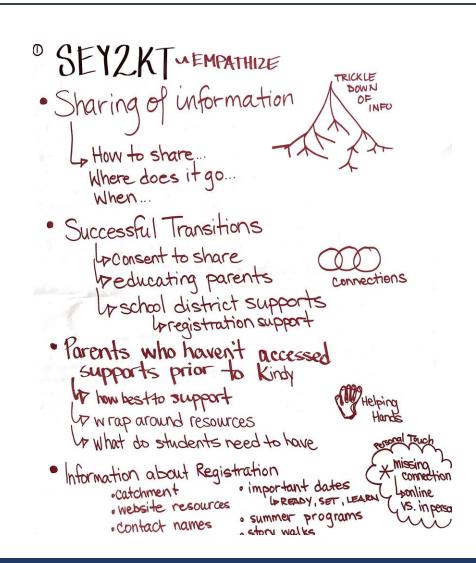


Planning for High Quality



CP4YC

CHANGING POSSIBILITIES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN SESSION 2





Planning for High Quality – ECE Professional Development Plan

- January ECE Inspire workshops
 - ✓ Fostering Program and Family Connections
- February ECE Inspire workshops
 - ✓ Invitation to Play
 - ✓ Deconstructing Circle Time
 - ✓ What Does Classroom Management Mean to You?
- April Child Garden workshop
 - ✓ Loose Parts, now what?
- June ECE Inspire workshop
 - ✓ Engaging Programs and Experiences for Infants and Toddlers



Books for Babies

On behalf of SD33
Learning Services and
Indigenous Education
Department, we are
delighted to give you a
book to begin your child's
journey into reading.



Get In Touch

Please visit our Early Years page on our school district website for times, locations and registration details for all our programs.



We look forward to meeting you!

learningservices.sd33.bc.ca/earlylearning



Books For Babies

Even though your baby can't yet grasp a book or sound out the letters of the alphabet, it's not too soon to introduce your little one to the magic of books.

Reading to babies and young children is important as it provides the building blocks of language and promotes attachment between parents and children.



Chilliwack School District No. 33

Other programs offered

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Parent-Child Mother Goose

The Parent-Child Mother Goose Program is a **FREE** 8-week group experience for parents and their child up to 5 years old which focuses on the pleasure and power of using rhymes, songs, and stories together.

Ready Set Learn

Ready, Set, Learn is an early learning program which welcomes preschoolers and their families to the school system. Schools throughout the Chilliwack School District will host open house events during the school year.

www.sd33.bc.ca P. 604-792-1321

Strongstart

StrongStart BC early learning programs provide school-based early learning services for adults and their young children, aged birth to five, at no cost to families.

Qualified early childhood educators lead learning activities, including stories, music and art to help children get ready for success in kindergarten.

JustB4 preschool

Our Just B4 Preschool program employs certified Early Childhood Educators to provide a positive and nurturing early learning experience while supporting children as they learn, grow and transition to kindergarten.



8430 Cessna Drive, Chilliwack, BC, V2P 7K4



Ready, Set, Learn & Kinderfair

Ready Set Explore! 2024







Your local school is hosting an open house for preschoolers and their parents! **Ready, Set, Learn** is a series of fun and informative events focusing on early childhood learning.

Ready, **Set**, **Learn** is a great opportunity to connect with your preschooler's future neighborhood school. **Ready**, **Set**, **Learn** events can include school tours, visits to the school library, interactive play activities for children and their parents, information sessions for parents and caregivers, presentations by community agencies and other activities that support preschool aged children's learning.

Please note: Dates and times are subject to change, please contact the school prior to attending.

School	Ready Set Learn	Time
Bernard	February 27	10:30-12:00
Central	May 24	1:00-2:00
Cheam	April 25	10:30-12:00
Cultus Lake	April 16	12:45-1:45
East Chilliwack	April 9	9:00-10:00
Evans	April 8	9:30-11:00
Greendale	February 23	10:30-11:30
Leary IAT	March 5	8:45-9:45
Little Mountain	February 7	8:30-11:00
McCammon	June 7	9:00-10:30
Promontory	June 18	8:45-11:00
Robertson	March 6 April 18 May 10	1:10-2:10
Rosedale	April 19	9:00-11:00
Sardis	February 9	1:00-2:00
Stito:s	May 3	9:15-10:45
Strathcona	May 9	9:30-10:30
Tyson	February 23	9:30-10:30
Unsworth	January 25	9:00-10:30
Vedder	May 29	8:15: 9:15 9:30-10:30 10:45-11:45
Watson	February 21	10:00-11:30
Yarrow	June 4	9:00-10:00



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KINDERFAIR



Kinderfair is an annual school event dedicated to supporting a positive transition to school for our upcoming kindergarten students and their families. At Kinderfair, we believe in the power of families learning together. Our activities are designed to be family-centered, allowing parents and caregivers to participate alongside their children. Families can enjoy shared reading experiences, engage in games, puzzles, and explore collaborative learning opportunities. Kinderfair also provides a unique opportunity for children and parents to meet and interact with school staff. This gives families a chance to familiarize themselves with the school environment, ask questions, and establish a connection with key educators who will support their child's educational journey.

School	Kinderfair	Time
Bernard	June 18	10:30-12:00
Central	May 24	1:00-2:00
Cheam	June 4	1:00-2:00
Cultus Lake	June 12	12:45-1:45
East Chilliwack	June 4	9:00-10:00
Evans	May 13	various
Greendale	May 28	9:00-10:00
	2007	10:30-11:30
Leary IAT	April 30	8:45-9:45
Little Mountain	May 29	8:45-11:40
McCammon	June 7	9:00-10:30
Promontory	June 18	8:45-11:00
Robertson	May 23	9:30-11:00
Rosedale	May 30	9:00-11:15
Sardis	May 23	8:30-11:30
Stito:s	June 7	9:15-10:45
Strathcona	June 20	9:30-10:30
Tyson	June 7	9:30-10:30
Unsworth	June 13	9:30-10:30
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Vedder	May 29	9:30-10:30
	,	10:45-11:45
Watson	May 15	8:30-12:00
Yarrow	June 4	9:00-10:00

Kinderfair strives to create a nurturing and comfortable atmosphere where children can not only have a great time but also feel supported and ready to embrace their new school experience with confidence.



StrongStart

- Run by Early Childhood Educators (ECE)
- Part-time continuing staff (except Watson)
- 8 sites/7 ECE Facilitators
- Parent participation program
- Each month attendance is increasing, our monthly attendance for April was 1542

StrongStart Funding

- \$224,000 from the Ministry of Education & Child Care
- Ministry has never increased funding for SS
- Additional funding provided by Ready, Set, Learn fund to cover shortfall





Parent Workshops

Circle of Security

Dates: Thursdays- May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6, 13, & 20

9:30am-11:30am at Vedder Elementary

Emotional Adaptability

Dates: Wednesdays - April 24, May 1 & 8 9:30am-

11:30am at Bernard Elementary

Supporting Your Teen's Mental Health

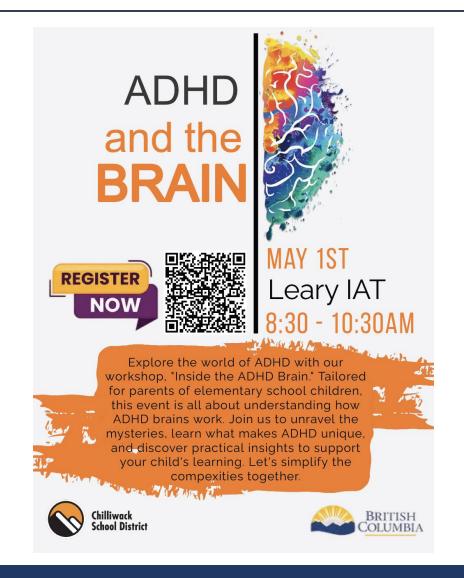
Dates: June 5, 17 & 19 6:00-8:00 pm at Chilliwack Middle

School

ADHD and The Brain

Dates: Wednesday - May 1 8:30am-10:30am at Leary IAT

Elementary





Thank you!!





