



Deer Island Community School  
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**Staff**

- Principal** ..... Mr. Tim Davis
- K/1/2 Homeroom**..... Ms. Michelle Kelson
- Grade 3/4/5 Homeroom**..... Mr. Brent Anderson
- Grade 6/7/8 Homeroom/  
Middle Level Courses/Resource**..... Mrs. Rachel Shaw
- Resource/Music/  
Middle Level Courses** ..... Mrs. Lacey Sullivan
- Educational Assistants** ..... Mrs. Katrina Leslie  
..... Mrs. Germaine McKay  
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- Admin. Assistant** ..... Ms. Mary Anne Theriault
- Custodians**..... Mrs. Cynthia Leslie  
..... Mrs. Kat Williams
- Bus Driver**..... Ms. Barb Darke

## School Time Table

8:05 am	Bus Arrives
8:05 - 8:15 am	Homeroom
8:15 - 8:50 am	1 <sup>st</sup> Period
8:50 - 9:25 am	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
9:25 - 10:00 am	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period
10:00 - 10:20 am	Recess
10:20 - 10:55 am	4 <sup>th</sup> Period
10:55 - 11:30 am	5 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:30 am - 12:05 pm	Lunch
12:05 - 12:40 pm	6 <sup>th</sup> Period
12:40 - 1:15 pm	7 <sup>th</sup> Period
1:15 - 1:50 pm	8 <sup>th</sup> Period
1:50 - 2:00 pm	Afternoon Recess
2:00 - 2:35	9 <sup>th</sup> Period
<b>2:35 pm</b>	<b>K-8 Dismissal</b>



**ANGLOPHONE SCHOOL DISTRICT SOUTH  
SCHOOL CALENDAR  
2025 - 2026**

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>EVENTS</u>
<b>September</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Labour Day – Statutory Holiday – NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>2</b>	First Day for ALL Deer Island Community School students Grades <b>K-8</b>
	<b>26</b>	Professional Learning – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>30</b>	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>13</b>	Thanksgiving Day – Statutory Holiday – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>14-17</b>	Registration for Students Entering Kindergarten in 2026-2027
<b>November</b>	<b>10</b>	School Improvement Planning – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>11</b>	Remembrance Day – Statutory Holiday – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>21</b>	<b>K-8</b> – Report Cards Preparation – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>21</b>	<b>9-12</b> – Parent/Teacher Interviews/Professional Learning – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>K-8</b> – Reports Cards Issued
	<b>5</b>	<b>K-8</b> – Parent/Teacher Interviews/Professional Learning – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>19</b>	<b>K-12</b> – Last Day of Classes
	<b>22-31</b>	Holidays – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
<b>January</b>	<b>1-2</b>	Holidays – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>5</b>	First Day of Classes
	<b>19-23</b>	<b>9-12</b> – English Language Proficiency Assessment /Demonstration of Learning/Course Recovery
	<b>26-27</b>	<b>9-12</b> – Turnaround Days – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>28</b>	<b>9-12</b> – Semester 2 Begins and Report Cards Issued
<b>February</b>	<b>16</b>	Family Day – Statutory Holiday – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>2-6</b>	March Break – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>13</b>	<b>K-8</b> – Report Cards Preparation – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>30</b>	<b>K-8</b> – Reports Cards Issued
<b>April</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>K-12</b> – Full Day – Parent/Teacher Interviews/Professional Learning – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>3</b>	Good Friday – Statutory Holiday – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>6</b>	Easter Monday – Statutory Holiday – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>1</b>	NBTA Council Day – Provincial – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>4</b>	NBTA Branch Meeting Day – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>18</b>	Victoria Day – Statutory Holiday – <b>NO CLASSES</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>8-12</b>	<b>9-12</b> – Assessment/Demonstration of Learning/Course Recovery
	<b>19</b>	<b>K-12</b> – Last Day of Classes – Final Report Card Day (FULL DAY)

# STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT:

## Safety, Respect & Responsibility – The Bracelet Program

### Safety

- ✓ Students will keep hands and feet to self.
- ✓ Students will travel in the hallways and on the stairs by walking on the right hand side.
- ✓ Students will keep sticks, rocks and snow on the ground at all times.
- ✓ Students will come dressed appropriately for the weather, and always have indoor sneakers.
- ✓ Students will stay inside the designated areas when outside during morning and lunch recess.

### Respect

- ✓ Students will respect the classroom expectations as developed by the teacher with the students.
- ✓ Students will understand and appreciate everyone's personal space.
- ✓ Students will use inside voices while in the cafeteria.
- ✓ Students will stay seated and use their manners while in the cafeteria.
- ✓ Students will use only positive and kind words when speaking with each other and to staff.
- ✓ Students will be excellent listeners without talking during presentations and assemblies.

### Responsibility

- ✓ Students will arrive to school and to class on time every day, prepared to learn.
  - ✓ Students will arrive at school on celebration days with all of their bracelets.
  - ✓ Students are responsible for their own learning spaces and storage areas. (Desks, lockers and cubbies)
  - ✓ Students are expected to do/hand in all homework and assignments on time.
  - ✓ Students are responsible for their agendas.
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- In the event that a student does not adhere to these expectations, one or more of their 3 bracelets could be potentially taken from them. When this happens, all staff will be informed, and the student will have the opportunity to get the bracelet back, providing they are recognized as making an extra effort to adhere to the expectations until the next bracelet celebration. As well, depending on the situation, the student may be referred to the principal.
  - In the event that a student is referred to the principal, the parents/guardians will be notified via phone call or through the agenda either by the classroom teacher or by the principal.
  - If a student does not have all 3 of their bracelets at the time of the Celebration, the student will not be allowed to participate in the celebration and will be assigned work to complete under adult supervision.
  - If a student is not in school on the day of a Celebration, and is known to be missing one or more bracelets, the student will be kept in during the following day's recesses in order to make up for missed work. Ultimately, it is our goal to have all of our students participate in the celebration.

## **Updated Cell Phone Policy**

For the 2025/2026 school year, students will **not** be allowed to have their cellphones on their person during the school day unless directed by the teacher for educational purposes.

All cell phones will be collected by the classroom teacher in the morning and safely stored during the school day.

Cell phones will not be left in lockers.

Students who need to contact home and families that need to contact students can do so through the office.

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## **Bus Positive Behavior Plan**

### **Bus Expectations**

- ✓ Students will remain seated on the bus at **all** times while the bus is moving.
- ✓ Students sitting closest to the aisle will keep their legs, feet and hands in their own seats to ensure that the aisle remains clear and safe.
- ✓ Inside voices must be used while travelling on the bus.
  
- ✓ Students will be respectful, responsible, and safe on the bus with regards to each other as well as the bus driver and monitor.

Mr. Davis will reiterate these expectations to the students to ensure that all students understand. As well, Mr. Davis will meet with the bus driver every Friday afternoon to discuss how the week went. We will develop an incentive program based on positive referrals.

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## **DICS Dress Code**

Students are expected to dress in a manner that is comfortable and in good taste. Clothing that advertises alcohol, drugs, inappropriate language or other illegal acts are **not** appropriate in the school environment.

### **Please respect the following guidelines:**

- ✓ Gym clothing and sport shoes are to be used during Phys. Ed Classes. All clothing must not reveal any undergarments. No see-through shirts.
- ✓ Shirts must cover your midriff and lower back, and low-cut shirts are not considered appropriate for school.
- ✓ Sunglasses, hats and hoods are to be removed when you enter school.

*\*There may be T-shirts and sweat pants available at school for those who disregard the guidelines.\**

## ***DICS ATTENDANCE POLICY***

It is the expectation of the staff at DICS that your child **be at school** and **prepared** to learn every day. With days lost to weather, holidays and family vacations, we have very limited time to cover essential curriculum outcomes. Having said this, our staff works diligently to ensure that every student is provided with the best learning opportunities possible. It is our hope that we can work collaboratively with families to promote the importance of maintaining an excellent attendance record. To do so, we have decided to develop some daily routines to track attendance more effectively.

You are asked to report your child's absence in advance through Safe Arrival using any of these 3 convenient methods:

1. Using your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>). The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
2. Use the SafeArrival website, <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>. The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
3. Call the toll-free number 1-833-219-9065 to report an absence using the automated phone system.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time

In addition, we will use the SchoolMessenger Communicate automated notification system to contact parents whose child is absent when the absence was not reported in advance. The automated notification system will attempt to contact parents at multiple contact points until a reason is submitted for the absence. If our system is unable to reach the designated contacts, office staff will follow up.

If you report your child's absence in advance using the SafeArrival toll-free number, website or mobile app, you will NOT receive these notifications

If a student is absent from school, they will not be permitted to attend any after school functions such as dances, sports games, etc., unless they provide the school with a doctor's note stating that they had an appointment that day.

The school will be sending letters home to inform parents of frequent absenteeism after 5 days and then again after 10 days. Once a student has missed more than 10 days, a call home will be made to request an attendance meeting with the parents.

Students will also be recognized on a monthly basis for exemplary attendance.

## ANGLOPHONE SOUTH SCHOOL DISTRICT

### SCHOOL CLOSURES DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

Anglophone South School District is committed to the safe and efficient transportation of students and recognizes that it may be necessary to cancel a bus run(s), close school(s), or delay school opening to ensure students are not endangered by hazards brought on by poor weather or road conditions.

The following options are considered when deciding what to do during inclement weather situations:

1. Schools are open as usual in which case no announcement will be made.
2. All schools are closed for the day with an appropriate announcement being relayed to:
  - the local radio stations prior to 6:30 a.m.,
  - the District website ([www.asd-s.nbed.nb.ca](http://www.asd-s.nbed.nb.ca))
  - follow us on twitter [http://twitter.com/ASD\\_South](http://twitter.com/ASD_South)
  - the District Information Phone line ( toll free: **1-855-535-7669** [SNOW] ).

Parents are encouraged to access the above noted methods early in the morning, particularly on days when the weather is inclement.

3. Schools are closed by Education Centre:
  - Hampton Education Centre (formerly District 6)
  - Saint John Education Centre (formerly District 8)
  - St Stephen Education Centre (formerly district 10)

Schools within an Education Centre may be closed depending on conditions.

4. School bus routes are delayed one hour. **On these occasions, all schools will open at their regular time to receive students. Students arriving late will not be penalized.**
5. Schools may be closed early on days when the weather conditions are anticipated to deteriorate significantly during the day. Every effort will be made to notify parents via the radio or by telephone for students in Kindergarten to Grade 5. Parents are reminded of the importance of ensuring alternate arrangements are in place for their child(ren) in cases when they or another adult will not be available to be home.

During the winter months, there may be occasions when the condition of a particular road along a bus driver's route is hazardous. Individual school bus drivers have a responsibility to recommend to their supervisor either the cancellation or delay of their individual bus runs should they have a safety concern. Whenever possible, notice of a late bus or a cancelled bus run will be announced on the radio and posted on the Website.

While the loss of valuable instruction time is always a concern, the safety of students is paramount. The decision to close schools is always made with this in mind. **If schools remain open, and as a parent/guardian you feel that conditions in your area are not conducive to your child going to school, then ultimately, you have the final decision whether or not to send your child to school.** Absences on these days will not be a factor in a student's attendance record.

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