

Having difficulty?



We have  
programs  
to help!

MEDICINE HAT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 76

# STUDENT SERVICES

## EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES

*Medicine Hat School District 76 offers quality Early Childhood programs taught by certified teachers, following the Alberta Education Kindergarten Program Statement.*

### **Kindergarten:**

Kindergarten is available at all elementary school sites, dependent on sufficient enrolments and is offered as alternating full-day or half-day programs. Children entering Kindergarten must be 5 years of age by the last day of February within that school year.

### **Early Intervention Programs:**

Medicine Hat School District No. 76 offers a variety of programs and settings to provide early intervention support for children from 2 ½ to 6 years of age. These programs are individually designed to meet the special needs of children with speech-language delays, developmental delays or disabilities. A variety of settings are available including specialized Preschool Development Programs, or support in private daycares or preschools.

### **Preschool Development Programs (PDP):**

*Ages 2 ½ to 6*

*Elm Street, Herald, Riverside, Ross Glen and Southview schools*

Preschool Development Programs offer intensive early intervention programs taught by certified teachers in language enriched play based preschool environments. A multidisciplinary team of professionals work together to provide programming designed to enhance social, physical, intellectual, creative, cultural and emotional development.

### **Junior Kindergarten:**

*Ages 3 years 5 months – 4 years 11 months • Ross Glen School*

Junior Kindergarten is offered for children with assessed mild-moderate developmental delays. Children receive early intervention within a play-based environment taught by a certified teacher.



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*"Where Kids Count"*