

**Student/Parent Support Services**  
**(Elementary Student Liaison Work-**

Assists in Transitioning Students  
Fee/Field Trip Payments  
Encourages Parental Involvement  
Resource/Advocate  
Role Model  
School Liaison Services  
Referrals

Please contact the Garden River Elementary Program to learn more about the specific services for your child and their eligibility.

Garden River Elementary Home Schools:

Holy Cross Catholic School  
St. Mary's French Immersion  
East View Public School  
F.H. Clague French Immersion



**Healthy Habits to prepare for  
Elementary School:**

**Sleep**—Preschoolers (3-5 yrs.) typically sleep 11-13 hours each night and most do not nap after 5 years of age. (National Sleep Foundation)

**Read** often if not every night at least 15 minutes. Role model the importance of an education.

**Communicate** share highlights of the day with each other. Ask them to explain what they learned or observed. You will be helping them to recall and store information into their long term memory.

Instill our **Teachings** of Love, Respect, Bravery, Honesty, Humility, Wisdom & Truth.

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**ATTENTION GARDEN RIVER  
COMMUNITY MEMBERS !!!**



**Preschool to  
Elementary  
School  
Transition.  
What does this  
mean?**

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**Endeavour Persevere Succeed**

## Welcome Parents/Guardians to the next milestone in your child's life.

It will seem just like yesterday you were bringing home your new bundle of joy.

While you were busy embracing your new challenges and responsibilities of parenthood, time passes and the next thing you know, you will need to register your child for Junior Kindergarten. In



Ontario, when your child has his or her 4th birthday within a calendar year, that is the year your child is eligible for Junior Kindergarten. By law you do not need to register your child until they are 6 years of age. If you choose to wait please remember you will need to prepare them academically and socially to meet the expectations of the grade 1 curriculum. The Garden River Education Unit in collaboration with the Garden River Child Care Centre has implemented special services to prepare your child for elementary school. We have taken the advice from the parents, school board staff, community educators and are very proud to offer direct unique transitioning support and services for the community of Garden River.

## Preschool to Elementary School Transitioning Services:

- ⇒ Elementary School Registration held in our community at the Garden River Child Care Centre so parents/guardians can meet the principals and GRFN Elementary Liaison Worker. (January)
- ⇒ Registration with the Garden River Elementary Program which includes an overview of Elementary Program Services. (January—on going)
- ⇒ "Meet & Greet Evening" at the Garden River Child Care Centre with school board staff and Garden River support services.
- ⇒ "Welcome to Kindergarten" bussing to evening event at the home schools. (May)
- ⇒ 6 additional bus rides from the Garden River Child Care Centre to field trips to practice entering and exiting the bus, bussing safety, school and bus bay recognition of drop off and pick up areas. (April—May—June)
- ⇒ Transition meetings held at the schools with representatives from GRFN Education Unit, GRFN Child Care Centre and other GRFN support services. These meetings are held should your child require special educational and/or physical resources and/or services.



## Why do I have to register with the Garden River Elementary Program?

All children living in Garden River or on reserve must register with the Elementary Program to ensure direct services from our schools boards are covered/paid. Garden River transports our own students to our home schools therefore, we must be aware of home school enrolment and residency. Please contact our office if you have any questions as to the direct services or to register your child.

**Vision Statement:**  
**Working together to inspire success.**

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