

# Grandview School



## Parent Handbook 2025-2026

ATTENDANCE LINE:

Call **905-576-8403** each day your child is absent

BUS COMPANY:

Call Stock Transportation at **705-357-3187** each day your child is absent

This handbook is available electronically on our website at  
<https://grandviewkids.ca/grandview-school/>

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## School Year Calendar 2025-2026

Month	1 <sup>st</sup> Week					2 <sup>nd</sup> Week					3 <sup>rd</sup> Week					4 <sup>th</sup> Week					5 <sup>th</sup> Week				
	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
September 2025	1 H	2 FI	3 FI	4 FI	5 FI	6 ★																			
October 2025			1	2	3	6	7	8	9	10 P	13 H	14	15	16	17	20	21	22	23	24	27	28	29	30	31
November 2025	3	4	5	6	7	10	11	12	13	14 P	17	18	19	20	21	24	25	26	27	28					
December 2025	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	19	22 B	23 B	24 B	25 B	26 B	29 B	30 B	31 B		
January 2026				1 B	2 B	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30 P
February 2026	2	3	4	5	6	9	10	11	12	13	16 H	17	18	19	20	23	24	25	26	27					
March 2026	2	3	4	5	6	9	10	11	12	13 B	16 B	17 B	18 B	19 B	20 B	23	24	25	26	27	30	31			
April 2026			1	2	3 H	6 H	7	8	9	10	13	14	15	16	17 P	20	21	22	23	24	27	28	29	30	
May 2026					1	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	18 H	19	20	21	22	25	26	27	28	29
June 2026	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	19	22	23	24	25	26 ★	29	30			

Legend

**H** – Statutory  
Holiday

**B** – Board Designated  
Holiday

**P** – Professional  
Activity Day

**FI** – Family Interview  
(no school for  
students)

**★** – First/Last Day of  
Class

## **School Information**

### **School Hours**



The school hours are 8:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Morning outdoor supervision begins at 8:30 a.m.

### **Lunch & Snacks**



The school does not have lunch or food services. Please pack your child's lunch and snacks daily, along with a reusable water bottle. Since we do not have microwaves or refrigerators available for student use, please send warm foods in a thermos or use an ice pack to keep cold foods chilled. Grandview School has a "boomerang lunch" policy, meaning students will bring all wrappers, containers, and uneaten food back home for disposal.

### **Indoor Shoes & Extra Clothes**



To ensure your child's comfort and safety, please send a pair of running shoes to school, clearly labeled with their name or initials. These shoes will remain at school year-round. We recommend slip-on or Velcro shoes to help your child develop independence.

Additionally, please provide a complete, labeled change of clothes (pants, shirt, underwear, and socks) stored in a clear plastic bag with your child's name on the front, in case of accidents or spills.

### **Diapers**



Parents are responsible for providing a monthly supply of their child's diapering needs, including disposable diapers, wipes and creams.

### **Student Attendance**



Please report all absences or tardiness to the school office promptly. Our 24-hour answering machine is available for your convenience. If your child uses school transportation or nursing services, please also notify those agencies.

**Please call each day if your child is absent or late.**

## Student Illness & Health Screen Policy



For your child's well-being and to prevent the spread of illness, please allow them to recover at home after sickness.

If a child becomes ill during the school day, parents/guardians will be contacted immediately and must arrange **pickup within 30 minutes**.

Refer to *Appendix 1: Health Screen Policy* for additional health screen measures.

## Medication



Administer medication at home whenever possible. If school administration is necessary, refer to *Appendix 2: Administration of Prescription Medication*.

## Allergies and Anaphylaxis

Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction that can affect multiple body systems, including the skin, respiratory, gastrointestinal, and cardiovascular systems. While food is the most common trigger, latex and scented products can also cause reactions.



Although we cannot guarantee a completely nut-free environment, we kindly ask that you refrain from sending any nut products to school.



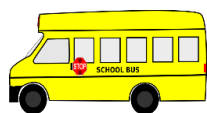
Grandview Children's Centre/Grandview School is a **latex controlled** environment. Please do not send any latex-containing products, such as balloons or toys, to school.



Scented products can negatively impact individuals with sensitivities. Please avoid using perfumes, scented lotions, or other fragrant products at school.

Please be aware that your child's classroom may have additional restrictions based on student or staff allergies.

## Transportation



While the Education Act does not mandate school transportation, we strive to provide this service for our students. Please understand that transportation is a privilege, not a right.

Familiarize yourself with *Appendix 3: School Bus Code of Conduct* to ensure a safe and pleasant travel experience for your child and other students.

## Communication



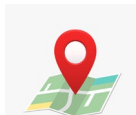
We use Seesaw as our main communication platform to engage families in their child's learning. Through Seesaw, we share school information and updates, and you can view your child's work, track their progress, and participate in their learning journey. Access your child's journal online at [app.seesaw.me](https://app.seesaw.me) or download the Seesaw app for iOS and Android. You will only see your child's individual work or group projects they are involved in.

## School Community Council (SCC)



Grandview School believes in strong parent and guardian partnerships to foster positive learning environments that support student achievement and well-being. The School Community Council (SCC) collaborates with the principal to enhance student success and promote ongoing family engagement. SCC meetings are held in the evening throughout the year.

## Change of Information



To ensure accurate records and effective communication, please notify the school office immediately of any updates to your personal information (address, phone number, emergency contacts, family status, etc.) throughout the school year.

## Telephone Reference Numbers

Grandview School Authority	905-576-8403
Grandview Children's Centre	905-728-1673
Stock Transportation	1-800-889-9491
Partners in Community Nursing	905-665-1711

## **Appendix 1: Health Screen Policy**



Grandview School's Health Screen Policy is based on the Ministry of Health's COVID-19 self-assessment tool and may be updated as new recommendations are issued. The current self-assessment can be accessed through the following link or QR code. <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>

### **Daily Screening at Home**

Parents are expected to screen their children daily before sending them to school. If your child has any symptoms of illness, no matter how mild, they must stay home. This is important for everyone's protection, as many students at our school are immunocompromised.

The screening webpage provides detailed instructions on how long your child needs to stay home and any precautions to take upon their return.

### **In-School Screening**

If a child becomes ill during the school day, they will be sent home until they meet the return-to-school criteria. The school's decision is final in matters concerning a child's health at school.

### **Returning to School After Illness**

Children who are ill must stay home (self-isolate) until:

- Their symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours (48 hours if they had nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea),
- They are fever-free, **and**
- They have not developed any new symptoms.

\* This Policy may change at any time without notice as new COVID-19 recommendations are implemented.



## **Appendix 2: Administration of Prescribed Medication**

Grandview School Authority believes that medication should be given to your child at home by a parent or guardian whenever possible. However, we understand that there are times when school staff must administer medication during school hours.

Grandview School will administer prescription medication on the following terms and conditions:

1. The *Administration of Prescribed Medication Form* is completed and signed.
2. The medication is provided in its original tamperproof container, clearly labeled with:
  - a. Child's name
  - b. Name of the medication
  - c. Dosage and frequency
  - d. Physician's name
  - e. Storage and safe-keeping requirements
  - f. Expiry date (medication must not be at or near expiry)
3. The medication is accompanied by a drug insert listing the possible side effects.

To ensure we have all the necessary information to administer medication safely and correctly, please complete the enclosed *Administration of Prescribed Medication Form*. A new form must be completed for each medication, or when medication changes.

## Administration of Prescribed Medication Form

Student Name	D.O.B (mm/dd/yyyy)
Address	
Parent/Guardian (1) Name & Phone Number	Parent/Guardian (2) Name & Phone Number

### *TO BE COMPLETED BY THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN*

Name of Medication		Medical Condition	
Dosage	Frequency/Times for Administration	Duration	
Possible Side Effects			
If dosage is missed			
Storage Requirements			
Additional Instructions			
Physician Name		Phone Number	
Physician Signature		Date	

By signing below, you agree that Grandview School Authority, its employees and agents, including school administration, staff, and volunteers, will not be held responsible for any illness or injury to your child resulting from the administration of medication.

You acknowledge that you are assuming all responsibility in this matter and that school staff are not medically trained to administer medication.

Name of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **Appendix 3: School Bus Code of Conduct**

While the Education Act does not mandate school transportation, we strive to provide this service for our students. Please understand that transportation is a privilege, not a right.

To ensure students arrive at school safely, on time, and ready to learn, students, parents/guardians, school staff, and bus drivers must work together to maintain an effective and enjoyable school bus transportation system.

Please review the following expectations for students and parents/guardians. Failure to comply may result in the loss of transportation privileges.

#### **Expectations of Students**

- Respect the bus driver and follow their instructions.
- Remain in your assigned seat with the seatbelt securely fastened.
- Sit facing forward; keep legs, arms, and hands inside the seat, not in the aisles or out the window.
- Do not yell, use abusive language or profanity, or throw items on the bus or out the window.
- Do not eat or drink on the bus.
- Remember that the school bus is an extension of the classroom, and all school rules apply.

#### **Expectations of Parents/Guardians**

- Review the Expectations of Students with your child.
- Ensure your child is ready to board the bus at least 5 minutes before the scheduled time. The bus will wait only 2 minutes and then leave without warning.
- In the morning, seat your child in their assigned spot and secure their seatbelt. In the afternoon, remove their seatbelt if they cannot do so independently.
- If your child uses a wheelchair, ensure that:
  - The wheelchair's brakes are in good condition and not loose;
  - The handlebars are not loose or shaky;
  - The shoulder belt is in good working condition;
  - The lap belt runs across the student's pelvic bone.
- In the afternoon, ensure that you or a responsible adult is at the designated drop-off location at least 5 minutes before the scheduled arrival time.
- Keep the school and transportation company informed of any changes to your child's medical health, phone number, and emergency contact information.

*By allowing your child to board the school bus, you acknowledge that you have read and understood these expectations and agree to abide by them. Failure to comply with the School Bus Code of Conduct may result in the loss of transportation privileges.*