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EDMONTON SCHOOLS GUIDE

Ratings, maps and attendance areas, plus the 2027-28 registration dates. Read it in ten minutes.



322
schools mapped

11
lottery schools

Feb 1
registration opens

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HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

FIND THE SCHOOL FIRST. THEN THE HOME.

Tap any school name to open it on the live map. Gold words are links. Every number shows where it came from.

322 public and Catholic schools mapped

699 Alberta elementary schools in the Fraser report

11 Edmonton Public lottery schools for 2027-28

Feb 1 registration opens at both boards

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BRENT'S TIP

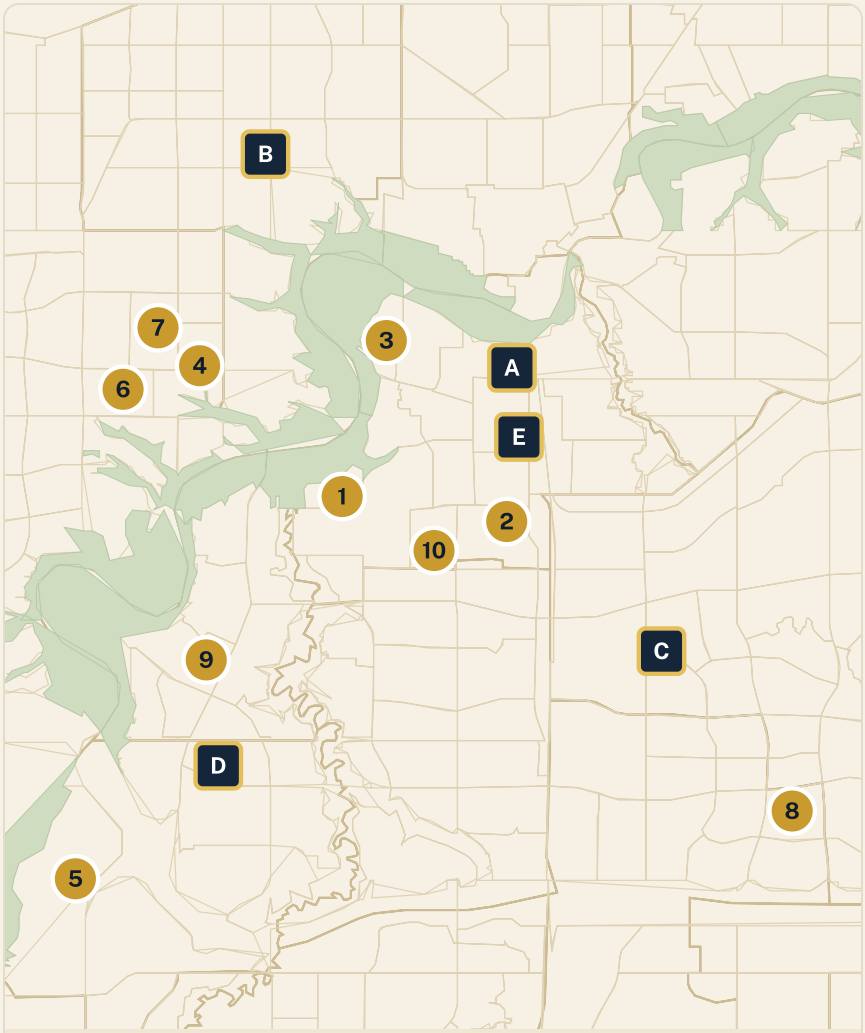
Start with page 7. Most families are surprised by how attendance areas work, and it changes which homes you look at.

NEXT Where the top-rated schools are, on one map

WHERE THE TOP-RATED SCHOOLS ARE

THE HIGHEST SCORES CLUSTER IN THE SOUTHWEST-CENTRAL

The 10 top-rated public and Catholic elementary schools and the 5 top-rated public and Catholic high schools, by Fraser Institute score out of 10. Charter and independent schools are on page 8.



Zoomed to central and south Edmonton

ELEMENTARY Fraser 2026

1	Grandview Heights	10.0
2	Mount Pleasant	10.0
3	Windsor Park	10.0
4	Stratford	9.7
5	Constable Daniel Woodall	9.4
6	Elmwood	9.3
7	Meadowlark	9.3
8	Meyokumin	9.3
9	Earl Buxton	9.2
10	Lendrum	9.2

HIGH SCHOOL Fraser 2025

A	Old Scona IB Diploma	10.0
B	Archbishop MacDonald IB Diploma, French Immersion	9.1
C	Millwoods Christian Regular program	8.8
D	Lillian Osborne IB Diploma	8.6
E	Strathcona AP	8.1

What the score doesn't tell you. Fraser ratings use provincial test results. They don't measure teachers, programs, class sizes or how a school fits your child. Use them as one input, then visit.

NEXT High schools at a glance: programs, ratings, lotteries



HIGH SCHOOLS

HIGH SCHOOLS AT A GLANCE

Photo: Max von Rahmel / Unsplash

The six top-rated Edmonton Public and Catholic high schools, with the programs that matter when your teen picks a path.

PUBLIC
OLD SCONA

10.0 /10
1st of 293 in Alberta

IB Diploma

10523 84 Avenue NW

CATHOLIC
ARCHBISHOP MACDONALD

9.1 /10
9th of 293 in Alberta

IB Diploma · French Immersion

14219 109 Ave NW

PUBLIC
MILLWOODS CHRISTIAN

8.8 /10
14th of 293 in Alberta

Regular program

8704 Millwoods Road NW

PUBLIC
LILLIAN OSBORNE

8.6 /10
20th of 293 in Alberta

IB Diploma · Lottery

2019 Leger Road NW

PUBLIC
STRATHCONA

8.1 /10
33rd of 293 in Alberta

AP

10450 72 Avenue NW

CATHOLIC
J.H. PICARD

8.0 /10
35th of 293 in Alberta

French Immersion

7055 99 St NW



BRENT'S TIP

IB and AP programs often take students from outside the attendance area. Check the program's application date, not just the school's.

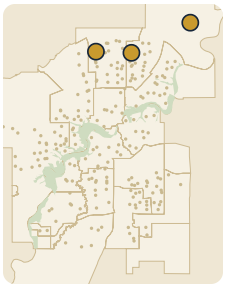
Source: Fraser Institute, Report Card on Alberta's Secondary Schools 2025. Programs: Edmonton Public, Edmonton Catholic.

NEXT Elementary schools that stand out, by area

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS THAT STAND OUT

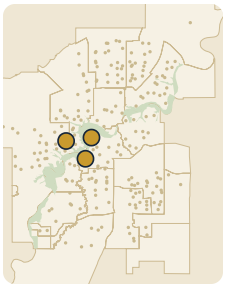
A TOP-RATED SCHOOL NEAR YOU, WHEREVER YOU LIVE

The three highest-rated public and Catholic elementary schools in each part of the city. Gold dots show where they are.



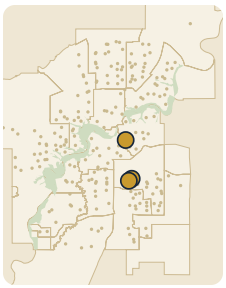
NORTH

Horse Hill	Public · K to Gr 6	7.8
St. Lucy	Catholic · K to Gr 6	7.3
St. John Bosco	Catholic · K to Gr 6	7.2



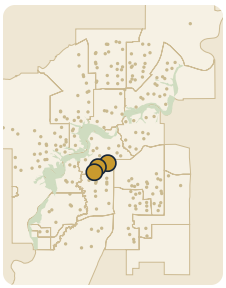
WEST

Grandview Heights	Public · Gr 1 to 9	10.0
Windsor Park	Public · K to Gr 6	10.0
Stratford	Public · K to Gr 9	9.7



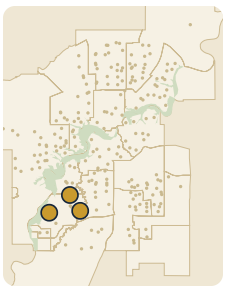
EAST

Malcolm Tweddle	Public · K to Gr 6	8.7
Millwoods Christian	Public · K to Gr 12	7.9
Rutherford	Public · K to Gr 6	7.9



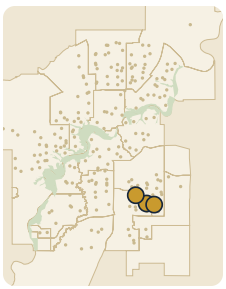
SOUTH-CENTRAL

Mount Pleasant	Public · K to Gr 6	10.0
Lendrum	Public · K to Gr 6	9.2
Malmo	Public · K to Gr 6	9.0



SOUTHWEST

Constable Daniel Woodall	Public · K to Gr 6	9.4
Nellie Carlson	Public · K to Gr 9	8.5
Archbishop Joseph MacNeil	Catholic · K to Gr 9	8.4



SOUTHEAST AND MILL WOODS

Meyokumin	Public · K to Gr 6	9.3
Frere Antoine	Catholic · K to Gr 6	8.0
Pollard Meadows	Public · K to Gr 6	7.9

Also top-rated: Aurora Academic Charter Primary scored 10 out of 10, tied for 1st of 699 in Alberta. Charter schools take applications directly (page 8).

Source: Fraser Institute, Report Card on Alberta's Elementary Schools 2026 (2024-25 results). Only schools that met Fraser's size and grade rules are rated.

NEXT Junior high: how to compare when there is no ranking



GRADES 7 TO 9

JUNIOR HIGH: THE IN-BETWEEN YEARS

Photo: Ivan Aleksic / Unsplash

There is no junior high ranking. The Fraser Institute doesn't publish a junior high report card for Alberta. So how do you compare? Three ways:

1 READ THE GRADE 9 TEST RESULTS

Alberta Education publishes each school's Grade 9 Provincial Achievement Test results in its assurance report. Edmonton Catholic also shows them on its Assurance Dashboard.

2 LOOK AT THE PROGRAMS

IB Middle Years (for example, Westminster), Late French Immersion from Grade 7, and sports and arts programs.

3 CHECK THE LOTTERY LIST

Riverbend junior high is one of the 11 Edmonton Public schools in a lottery for 2027-28.

K TO 9 SCHOOLS WITH TOP ELEMENTARY SCORES

Stratford Public · K to Gr 9		9.7
Laurier Heights Public · K to Gr 9		9.0
Nellie Carlson Public · K to Gr 9		8.5
Archbishop Joseph MacNeil Catholic · K to Gr 9		8.4
Crestwood Public · K to Gr 9		8.2
Sister Annata Brockman Catholic · K to Gr 9		8.0

These schools run past Grade 6, so families often stay through junior high. Score shown is the Fraser elementary rating, 2026.



BRENT'S TIP

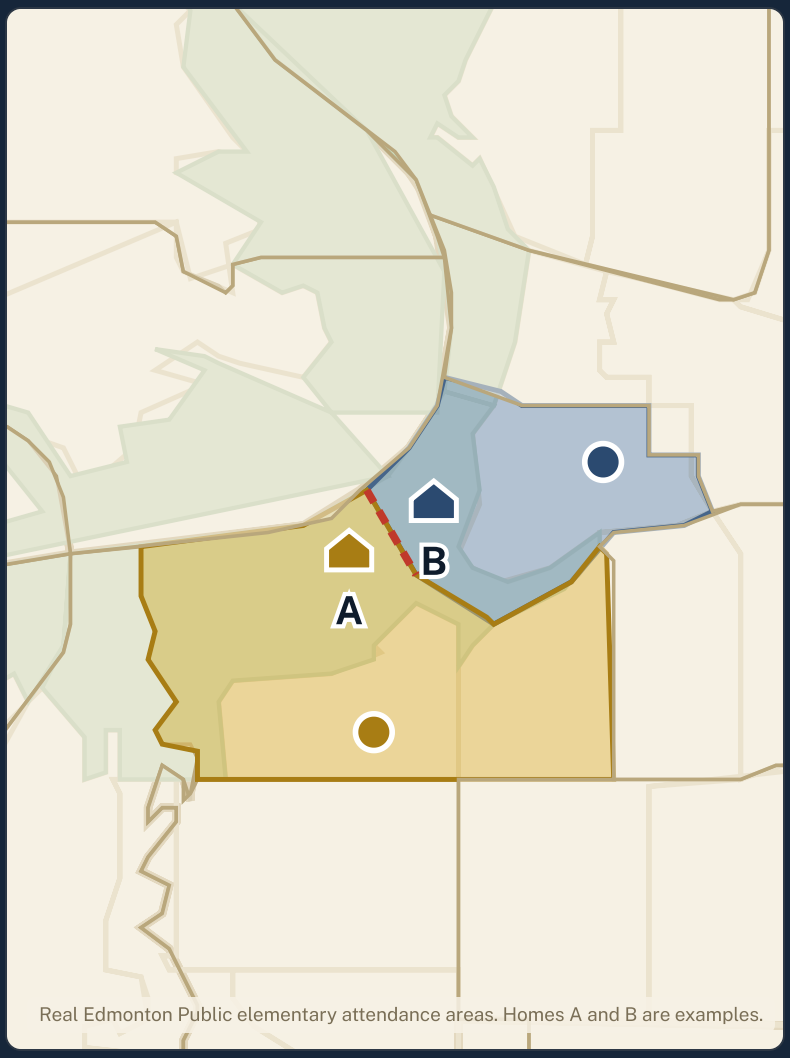
A K to 9 school can mean one less school change for your child. When you're comparing two homes, I'll check whether either one is designated to a K to 9 school.

NEXT One block can change your school

WHY THE ADDRESS MATTERS

ONE BLOCK CAN CHANGE YOUR SCHOOL

> *"Two homes a block apart can be designated to completely different schools. Before any of my clients write an offer, we look up the designated schools for that exact address."*



Real Edmonton Public elementary attendance areas. Homes A and B are examples.

HOME A

LANSDOWNE (K) / GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS (1-6)

Fraser 10.0/10

ONE BLOCK APART

HOME B

BELGRAVIA

Fraser 7.6/10

CHECK ANY ADDRESS IN 10 SECONDS

Type it into the school finder on the live guide. It shows the designated public schools for that exact address. **Open the school finder →**

Attendance areas: Edmonton Public Schools, 2026-27. Ratings: Fraser Institute 2026. Boundaries change; always confirm with the board.

NEXT Public, Catholic, French or charter? The choices side by side

FOUR KINDS OF SCHOOL

PUBLIC, CATHOLIC, FRENCH OR CHARTER?

Edmonton families can choose between four systems. Most kids go to their designated public or Catholic school, but you can apply outside your area if there's room.

EDMONTON PUBLIC

225
schools mapped

- Every address has a designated elementary, junior high and high school.
- French Immersion from K or Grade 1, Late French Immersion from Grade 7.
- Full schools (Level 3) run a lottery: 11 for 2027-28.

Find a school →

EDMONTON CATHOLIC

97
schools mapped

- For students who are Catholic or have at least one Catholic parent.
- Other students can be admitted when there is space, if the family takes part in religious education.
- French Immersion from Kindergarten. IB at two high schools.

How to register →

FRANCOPHONE

FR
Conseil scolaire Centre-Nord

- A separate board teaching in French.
- For families with French-language education rights.
- Different from French Immersion, which needs no French at home.

Language programs →

CHARTER AND INDEPENDENT

10/10
Aurora Academic Charter Primary, Fraser 2026

- Charter schools are public schools run by their own boards.
- Independent schools are private and charge tuition.
- You apply to each school directly. There is no attendance area.

See ratings →

Can we pick a school outside our area? Yes, if there's room. Space isn't guaranteed, and some programs use entrance criteria or random selection. Apply before the deadline: 4 p.m. on March 22, 2027 for Edmonton Public.

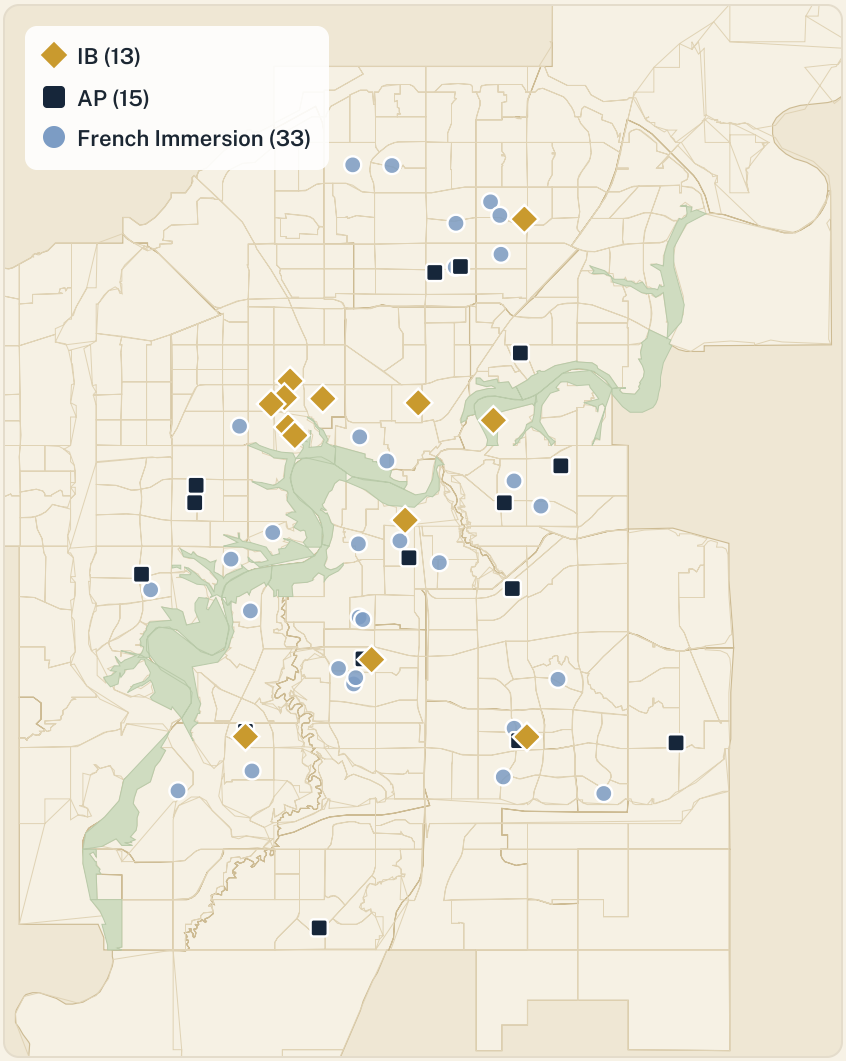
Sources: EPSB growth control model, Edmonton Catholic registration, EPSB language programs. Charter and independent ratings: Fraser Institute 2026.

NEXT Where the IB, AP and French programs are

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

IB, AP AND FRENCH PROGRAMS

These programs are spread across the city. Many take students from outside the attendance area, so the closest school isn't your only option.



IB DIPLOMA HIGH SCHOOLS

Archbishop MacDonald Catholic
Harry Ainlay Public
Holy Trinity Catholic
Lillian Osborne Public
M.E. LaZerte Public
McNally Public
Old Scona Public
Ross Sheppard Public
Victoria Public

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)

Archbishop O'Leary, Austin O'Brien, Dr. Anne Anderson, Eastglen, Elder Dr. Francis Whiskeyjack, J. Percy Page, Jasper Place, Louis St. Laurent, Mother Margaret Mary, Queen Elizabeth, St. Francis Xavier, St. Oscar Romero, Strathcona, Vimy Ridge Academy, W. P. Wagner

FRENCH IMMERSION

Starts in Kindergarten or Grade 1 with no French needed at home. Late French Immersion starts in Grade 7.



BRENT'S TIP

IB and AP don't decide where you have to live. Programs of choice can take students from across the city, so focus on the commute.

Programs as listed by Edmonton Public and Edmonton Catholic for 2025-26. Map shows the schools in this guide's data.

NEXT Your 2027-28 registration timeline

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

YOUR 2027-28 REGISTRATION TIMELINE



Photo: Cameron Gibson / Unsplash

1

FEB 1, 2027

REGISTRATION OPENS

Edmonton Public and Edmonton Catholic open registration and pre-enrolment.

2

MAR 22, 2027 · 4 P.M.

EDMONTON PUBLIC DEADLINE

Registration and pre-enrolment close. Registering after this can limit your options.

3

APR 16, 2027

LOTTERY RESULTS

Edmonton Public random selection and lottery results for the 11 full schools.

4

JUN 1, 2027

YELLOW BUS DEADLINE

Edmonton Public yellow bus application deadline.

5

SEPT 2027

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

New school year starts. Check your school's calendar for the exact date.



BRENT'S TIP

Buying this spring? Time your possession date with these deadlines. I can help you plan both.

Dates: Edmonton Public Schools and Edmonton Catholic Schools, as of Nov 2026. Lottery list: EPSB lottery process.

NEXT Before you buy: the school checklist

YOUR SCHOOL CHECKLIST

BEFORE YOU BUY: 8 SCHOOL CHECKS

Do these before you write an offer. Tick them off as you go.

- [ ] **LOOK UP THE DESIGNATED SCHOOLS FOR THE EXACT ADDRESS**
  Not the neighbourhood. Attendance areas don't follow neighbourhood lines.
- [ ] **ASK IF THE SCHOOL RUNS A LOTTERY**
  11 Edmonton Public schools are full and use a lottery for 2027-28.
- [ ] **CHECK THE BOARD'S PLANS FOR NEW SCHOOLS NEARBY**
  A new school can change attendance areas in a growing neighbourhood.
- [ ] **CHECK THE CATHOLIC OPTION TOO**
  Catholic schools have their own areas and admission rules.
- [ ] **NOTE PROGRAM DEADLINES**
  IB, AP, French and other programs may need an application by March 22.
- [ ] **PLAN THE BUS OR WALK**
  Yellow bus applications for Edmonton Public close June 1, 2027.
- [ ] **VISIT THE SCHOOL**
  Ratings are one input. A visit tells you what a number can't.
- [ ] **TIME YOUR POSSESSION DATE**
  Registering after March 22 can limit your options.

WANT ME TO RUN THESE CHECKS FOR A HOME YOU LIKE?

Send me the address. I'll check the designated schools, lotteries and programs, and send you what I find.

Scan for the school finder

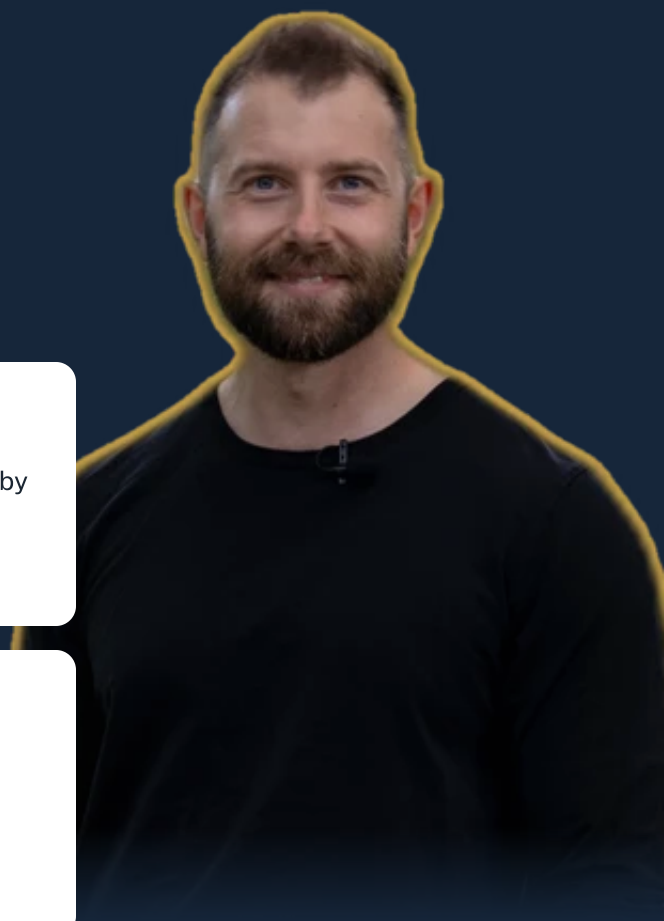
Sources: EPSB find a school, EPSB lottery process, EPSB deadlines, ECSD locate a school.

NEXT Questions? Ask Ava or talk to Brent

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

ASK AVA OR TALK TO BRENT

Ava is my assistant. She answers school questions from the sources in this guide, any time. If she doesn't know, she'll say so and connect you with me.



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SOURCES

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4. Edmonton Public Schools, registration deadlines
5. Edmonton Public Schools, lottery process
6. Edmonton Catholic Schools, registration
7. Edmonton Catholic Schools, locate a school
8. City of Edmonton open data (maps)

Data checked November 26, 2026. Ratings are one input, not the whole story. Always confirm your designated school with the school board before you buy. Photos: Unsplash (Jon Torres, Max von Rahmel, Ivan Aleksic, Cameron Gibson).