



Dr. Arthur Hines School is an elementary school within the Annapolis Valley Regional School Board located in Summerville, Nova Scotia. Summerville is located in Hants County on the picturesque Hants Shore approximately 30 minutes from Windsor and 55 minutes from the capital city of Halifax.

Dr. Arthur Hines School has a faculty of 16 teachers and support staff, and is home to 135 students. In addition to our academic programs, we offer students a full range of after school sports programs, a healthy lunch program and the Let's Read Volunteer Program.

We operate and maintain a beautiful garden in the northwest portion of our property. Each year students and teachers select the vegetables, fruits, flowers and herbs that will be grown. Students, with support of staff, volunteers and members of Harmony Park, plant the seeds. During the summer, the community helps maintain and weed the garden. In the fall, we celebrate the harvest by using what we have grown as part of our healthy lunch program and in October we have our harvest Festival. Michael Howell, Chef of the Tempest Restaurant in Wolfville comes to the school and prepares a special lunch with the help of our grade 6 class. Students prepare work samples that reflect the importance of our garden and work is viewed by community members. In 2008, the garden and our school were captured in the video, *The Edible School Yard*. Slow Food Nova Scotia produced the video.

In April of each year the students put on a school play. In past years we have performed Alice in Wonderland and Peter Pan. The play is performed on the last Thursday in April to a large crowd!!

In May, we spend four afternoons participating in Enrichment Clusters. One of our teachers, Jackie Adams, organizes all clusters. Talented people from within the community share their expertise with students in such areas as drama, golf, Pond Study, yoga and painting. Students are placed in multiage groups and works with our volunteers for 2 hours, developing skills in their area of interest.

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Please feel free to contact us with any questions you might have.

Sincerely,

Deron Moores  
Principal