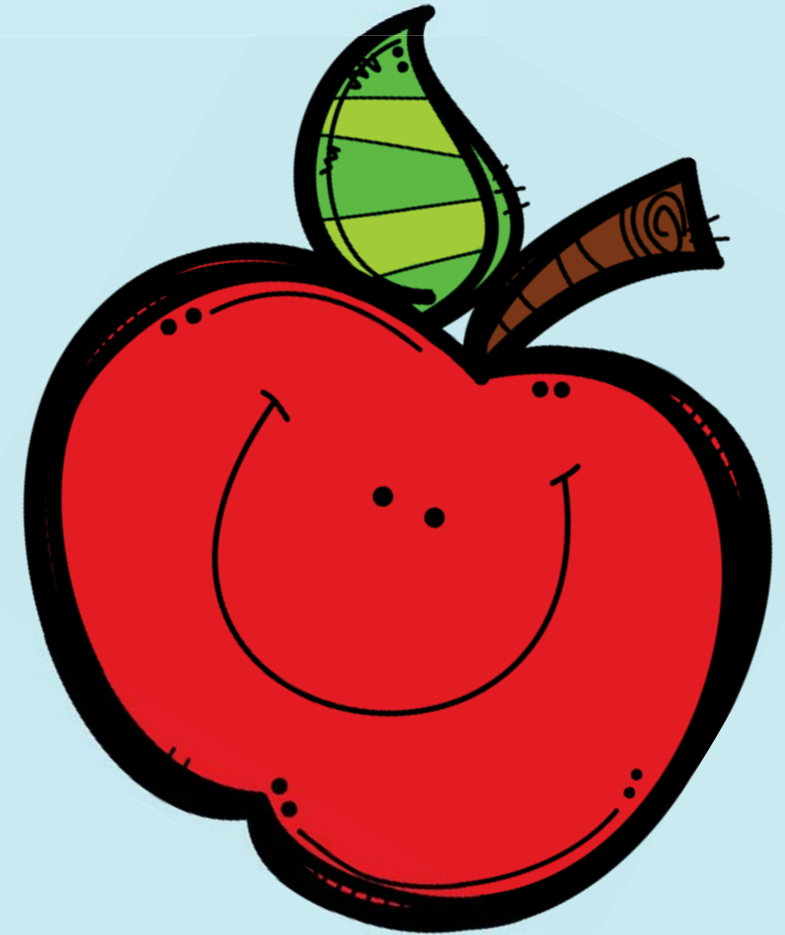


PEI ASSOCIATION FOR
NEWCOMERS
TO CANADA



ASSOCIATION POUR
NOUVEAUX ARRIVANTS
AU CANADA DE L'Î-P-É

Public School in P.E.I.



The objective of the YSS team is to help newcomer families and students become successfully integrated into their school and community.

Youth Settlement Services

Youth Settlement Services (YSS)



Offers support with:

- School & parent communication
- Interpretation services
- Community advocacy
- Community referrals
- Family counselling

Organized activities:

- Professional Development (PD) day camps
- Summer programs
- March break activities
- Future readiness education
- Take Your Kid to Work day
- Gender groups

Public School Boards in PEI

- Public Schools Branch
- La Commission Scolaire de Langue Française
(French Language School Board)

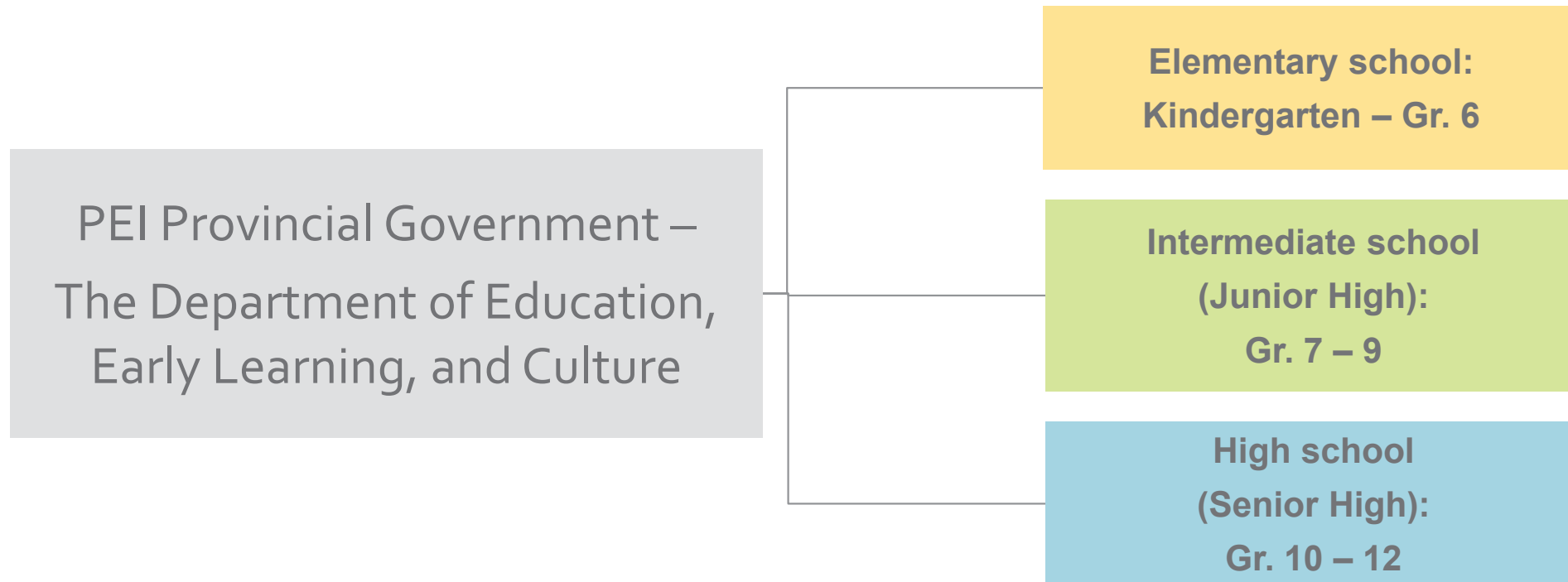


West Royalty Elementary
(Colonel Gray Family of Schools)

Private schools:

- Grace Christian School
- Immanuel Christian School
- The Montessori School
- Mount Academy

School Levels



English/French Additional Language (*EAL/FAL*)

Elementary & Intermediate Schools:

- If needed, students will be provided with EAL/FAL support
- Students will be reassessed at the end of the school year
- EAL/FAL support begins in Grade 1

Senior High School:

Students may be required to attend EAL/FAL courses before starting regular English courses

parents may choose to “opt out” of EAL/FAL support, although support is strongly recommended for language improvement and student integration

French Language Study



1. *Francophone Schools*

Complete French education from Kindergarten to Grade 12

2. *French Immersion Program*

- Begin only in Kindergarten or Grade 7
- Only some schools offer French Immersion

3. *Core French*

- All English programs will have a French class from Grade 4 to Grade 9
- Optional French courses can be taken for credit in high school

School Rules

Hands-off policy:

In elementary school, there is a “Hands-off” policy where children are not to touch or put their hands on others. This is to avoid confusion and questionable actions

No Bullying:

This includes physical & verbal abuse, discrimination, segregation, exclusion, intimidation

Consequences for students:

Warnings, detention, additional school work, parent contact & interviews, community service, school suspension, and even expulsion

Consequences for parents:

It is against the law to use physical punishment in Canada; any form of abuse will be reported, if contacted by Child Protection Services for an investigation, contact the YSS team for assistance

Attendance

It is law in PEI that children 5 to 16 years of age attend school; regular attendance is required for healthy academic success.

"Safe Arrival" (elementary schools):

- If absent: contact school as soon as possible
- If late: sign-in at the school's main office



Bus or Walking

School buses:

- Schedule and stop location will be given at time of school registration
- Follow bus safety rules (stay seated, no yelling, etc.)
- Wait for bus to come to a complete stop before approaching
- Young children must be accompanied to/from bus
- Failure to follow bus rules may result in bus suspension



Walking to and from school:

- Stay on sidewalks or in marked crosswalks
- Use Crossing Guards whenever possible
- Young children must be accompanied to/from school
- No supervision on school property after school hours

Cycling to School

- Wear a helmet
- Must follow the rules of the road like other vehicles

BICYCLE SAFETY

Every year thousands of people are injured and hundreds of people are killed while riding bicycles.



1 PROTECT YOUR HEAD

Always wear a helmet. It's the law for everyone and could save your life.

2 OBEY ALL TRAFFIC LAWS & LIGHTS

Bicycles must follow the rules of the road, like other vehicles. This includes travelling with the flow of traffic, not against.



3 SMOOTH & STEADY

Drivers are used to the patterns of other drivers. Don't weave in and out traffic. The more predictably you ride, the safer you are. Be aware of the traffic around you.



4 STAY VISIBLE

When riding at night, ensure your bike has a light on the front that emits light visible to a distance of 150m, and a red reflector on the rear, visible from 90m.

5 KNOW & USE HAND SIGNALS

Hand signals tell motorists and pedestrians what you intend to do. Signal as a matter of law, of courtesy, and of self-protection.



● LEFT TURN



● RIGHT TURN



● STOP

Stay safe

Penalties for Passing a School Bus

Failing to Stop for a School Bus:

- Receive maximum (12) traffic demerit points
- 3-months suspension of driver's license
- \$5,000 fine



To get your license back:

- Meet with highway safety officers
- \$100 license reinstatement fee
- Successful completion of a defensive driving course within six months of license reinstatement
- 1-year probationary period. If you receive any demerit points within this year, your license will be re-suspended

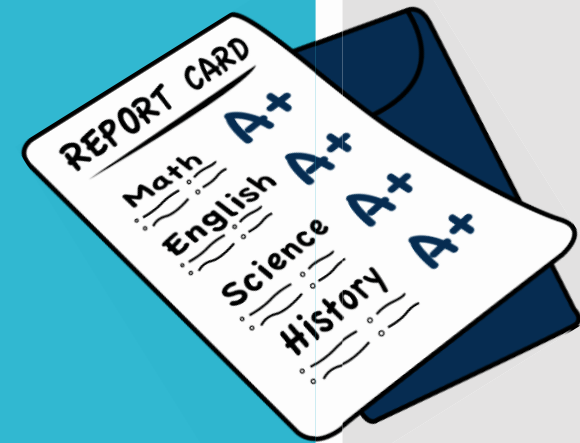


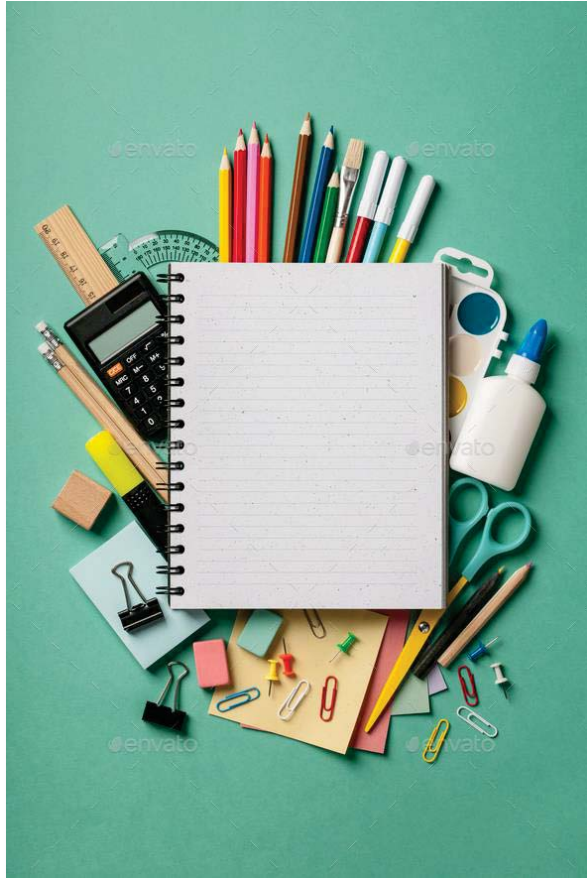
Parent Teacher Interviews

- Two formal interviews per year
- Interviews with teachers may be scheduled at anytime
- Interpreters can be provided by PEIANC

Important School Documents

- All official school documents should be kept safe
- School reports can be used as support for Citizenship, PNP, CRA, etc.
- Replacements may not be available





Student Life

Books & School supplies:

- Text books are borrowed from school
- Check with your school for a supplies list or fee

School Newsletters:

- Important dates
- News on activities & events
- Community news
- Available on school website



Electronics:

Use of smart devices are restricted for both students and parents



Newsletter

March 3, 2014

West Royalty School
 80 Commonwealth Ave. C1E 2E9
 Tel.: 368-6790 Fax: 368-6795
 website: www.edu.pe.ca/westroyalty
 Principal: Debi Mais Murphy

 Vice-Principal: Cathy Cameron

*What the mind can conceive
and the heart can believe
you can achieve!*

DATES TO REMEMBER:

<p>Mar 03-Food Order Day</p> <p>Mar 04 – Report Cards Issued</p> <p>Mar 06 – Parent Teacher Conferences (Evening)</p> <p>Mar 7 – P/T Conferences (No classes)</p> <p>Mar 10 – Free Milk Day</p> <p>Mar 11 – Grade 6 Blacklight Show – 1:00 pm (Storm Date-March13)</p> <p>Mar 17-21 – March Break</p>	<p>March 27 – Queen Charlotte Intermediate Band Testing – Grade 6 - 3:10 pm</p> <p>Apr 4 – PD Day (No Classes)</p> <p>Apr 15 – Spring Photos</p> <p>Apr 17 – West Royalty Heritage Fair</p> <p>Apr 18 – Good Friday</p> <p>Apr 21 – Easter Monday</p>
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ALL SCHOOL DOORS (EXCEPT FRONT DOORS) ARE LOCKED @ 8:30A.M. - 2:30P.M. THEREFORE, ANY STUDENTS ENTERING THE SCHOOL AFTER 8:30A.M. MUST USE THE FRONT ENTRANCE OF THE SCHOOL. ALL VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL ARE ASKED TO REPORT TO THE OFFICE.

SCHOOL NEWS

Student Life



Hygiene:

- Practice good hygiene habits
- Practice regular hand washing
- Bath regularly
- Ensure clothing is clean and odorless

Scent-Free Zone:

Schools and public areas are scent-free



Medication:

- Check with your school regarding policy on administering medication to students during school hours
- Medications are administered by the school
- Do not send medication to school with child
- A doctor's note may be required

Student Life

Clothing:

- Uniforms are not required for public schools
- Clothing cannot contain offensive images or languages (e.g. violence, nudity, drug & alcohol substances, etc.)
- Children should dress warm for winter weather
- Elementary students must have indoor shoes
- Gym wear & sneakers are required for gym class



Personal belongings:

Elementary school students:

Will be provided with a personal area for belongings

Junior high/senior high school students:

- Will be provided lockers to keep personal belongings.
- Keep the lock combination confidential and do not bring valuables to school



Drugs & Substances

- Cannabis is now legal in Canada for those age 19 and above
- Drugs and alcohol are not permitted on school property
- Smoking is not allowed on school property by anyone



Mental Wellness

- Relocating to a new country can affect a child's emotions and behaviors
- Pay attention to any behavioral changes in your child or children and ask for help when needed
- School Guidance counsellors are available
- Family counsellor on staff at PEIANC



Eating at School

Breakfast Programs

- Free breakfast for students are available at some schools
- Check breakfast schedules with schools



Lunch

Elementary schools:

- Pack a healthy snack and lunch
- Lunch program may be available for purchase
- Lunchtimes are held in classrooms
- Microwaves may not be available

Intermediate/High school students:

- Microwaves are available in cafeteria
- Cafeteria meals may be available for purchase
- Not permitted to remain in classrooms or hallways during the lunch break
- May leave school for lunch (Gr. 8 and up)

Food Allergens

- Schools in PEI are nut-free because many children have severe allergies to nuts
- Students and parents are asked not to bring any foods that may contain any traces of nuts, including nut oils or nut butter
- Some schools or classrooms may have other allergy restrictions



Health Care

Walk-in Clinics

- minor illnesses
- health check-ups
- Waiting for a family doctor

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Hospital

- emergencies
- major illnesses
- injuries



Dental & Eye Care

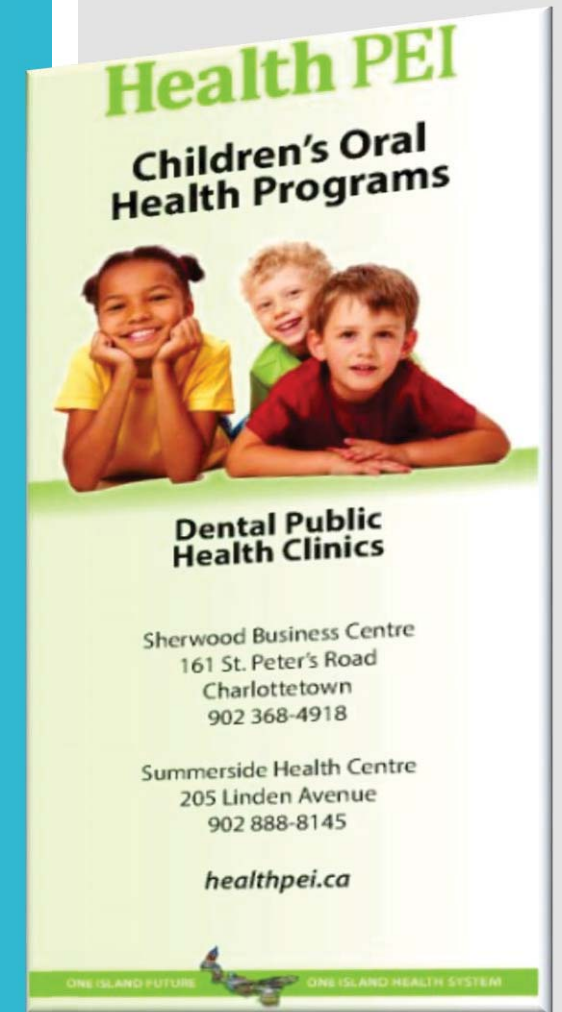
Children's Oral Health Program:

- Dental Public Health offers free dental preventative services programs for children ages 3-17
- 'Preventative' services are provided annually in elementary schools
- For more information, contact your child's school, Alex at PEIANC, or visit Health PEI website:

www.healthpei.ca/dentalhealth

Children's Eye Care:

- Eye exams are free for Kindergarten students
- It is recommended to have annual eye exams for children – fees may apply



School Cancellation Information

Prince Edward Island

⚠ Wind warning for **Charlottetown** ▾

☀ Partly Cloudy 5°C

Closures, outages and travel

Report closures on the **cancellation hotline 1-877-236-9350**

All	Schools	Community	Businesses & Government	Power
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Last updated April 20, 2018 8:15
No active closures. Please see links for more information and updates.

Local links and information:

- [Charlottetown Airport](#)
- [Confederation Bridge](#)
- [Downtown Charlottetown Camera](#)

Bad weather:

- If schools are delayed or cancelled, it will be announced on local Charlottetown radio stations by 7:00am
- Schools may also end early due to bad weather
- Check the following CBC website for school closures or delays



Google: cbc storm centre pei

Extra-curricular Activities

Activities outside of school academics

- Sports & physical activities
- School or community activities
- Volunteering
- Art or music activities

For more information:

www.Charlottetown.ca

or other municipal websites (ex. Stratford, Cornwall)



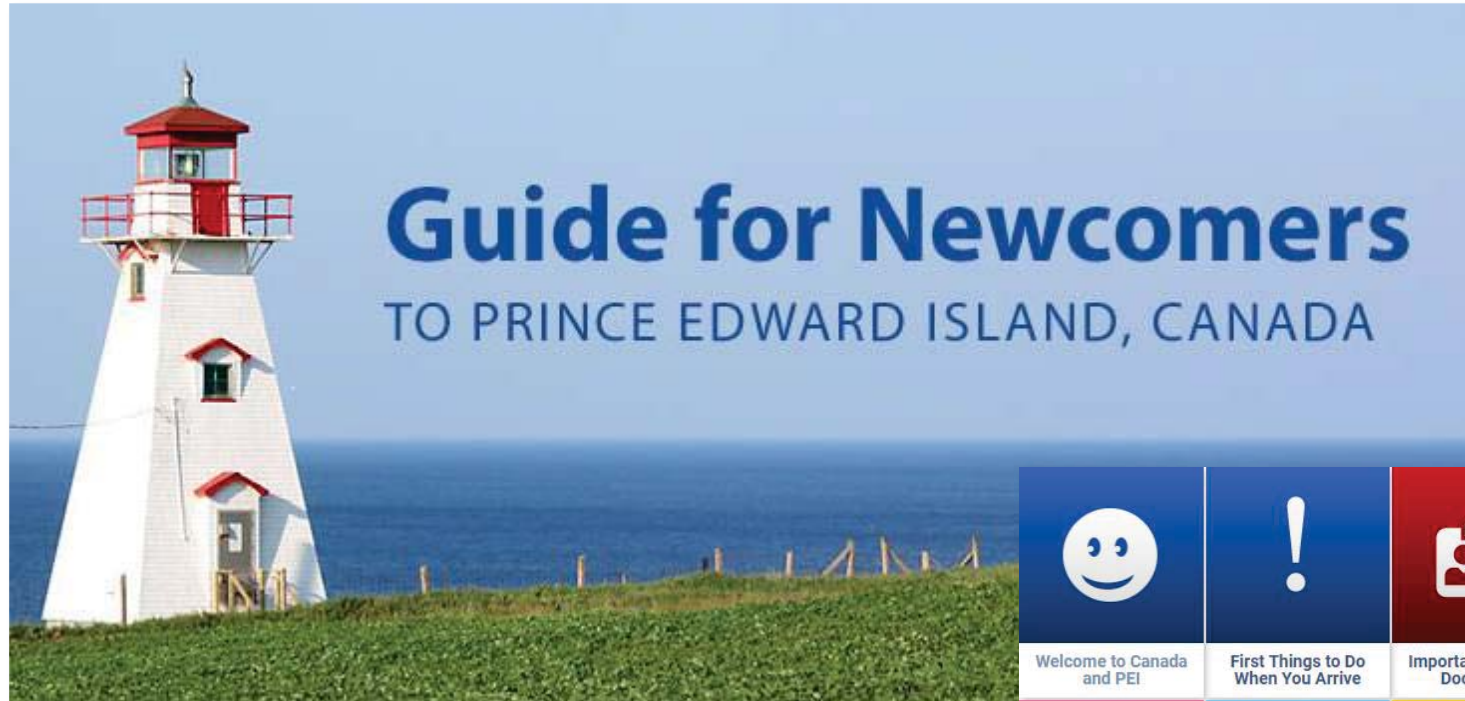
Sports and Leisure

- Program information such as registration, location, cost are available
- YSS can provide funding assistance for low-income families with proof of status & income
- PEIANC Equipment Sharing Program is available for YSS clients with a \$20 deposit



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www.peianc.com

				
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