

Welcome to Pre-Kindergarten!



Below is some information that may be of help to you as our new school year begins.

HEALTH CONCERNS: Please let me know if your child has any allergies or health concerns (asthma, diabetes, seizure disorder, etc.)

BUS AND DISMISSAL: Please help your child learn his/her bus animal and/or number. He/she should also learn the bus driver's name. You **MUST** write a note if there is any change in transportation or if someone other than yourself is picking up your child. Your child will not be allowed to leave with someone other than you unless we have permission from you. Carefully review the school's transportation policy. If you are transporting your child, please do your best to drop off and pick up your child at the correct time. The AM only children must be in the classroom by 8:50 and be picked up no later than 11:30. The PM only children must be in the classroom by 12:20 and be picked up at 2:50. You must sign your child out each day. The Full Day students must be in the class by 8:50 and be picked up at 2:50.

SNACK: On your assigned day, please send in enough snacks for the entire class (your child's teacher will notify you of how many are in his/her class). If you forget to send in snack, please send it in as soon as you remember. We keep extra snacks for those situations, and the snack will need to be replenished.

Your child will need to bring in a beverage (juice box, bottle of water, etc.) daily.

BIRTHDAYS AND HOLIDAYS: We will schedule your assigned snack day on your child's birthday if at all possible. Summer birthdays will be celebrated in the spring and called "un-birthdays".

CLASSROOM SUPPLIES: Your child will need a regular sized backpack for school and a durable folder. The folder will be kept in your child's backpack for notes, etc. I will occasionally ask you to send in something for a project that we are doing (e.g. empty milk carton, Kleenex box, etc.). We send home notes and art projects often and a backpack is the best way to transport them. Also, please check your child's backpack daily. Remind your child that you need to see everything in their backpack.

Children are also asked to bring a package of napkins and glue sticks for the class.

CLOTHING: Please send in a complete change of clothes (shirt, pants, underwear, and socks) that can be left at school. Please put the clothes in a gallon sized zip-loc bag which

is labeled with your child's name. If your child spills something or has an accident, we will send home his/her clothes and ask that you send in another change of clothes the next day. Please label all clothes including your child's change of clothes, his/her coat, mittens, boots, hat, and backpack. Many children wear the same or similar clothing, and it is difficult for them to identify their own belongings.

Also, please dress your child appropriately for the weather. We will use the playground and go for walks occasionally, and every child needs to be dressed for the conditions.

COMMUNICATION: Communication between home and school is very important, especially at this young age. However, it is not always possible or appropriate to talk during pick-up or drop-off times. Please feel free to call us at school or email if you have any questions, problems, or concerns. The best time to call is between 8:00-8:30 AM or 3:15-3:40 PM. If you cannot call within those times, please leave a message with the office, and we will call you back as soon as possible! You can also email Mrs. Lizzio at Lizzio.Carey@mayfieldcsd.org or Mrs. Bowers at bowers.michelle@hotmail.com. Please do not feel you need to wait for a conference to address concerns or questions.

ATTENDANCE: If your child is absent or tardy, you **MUST** send in a written excuse. It is very important that your child attends school on a regular basis and arrives at school on time. This is especially important in the beginning of the school year when your child is adjusting to school. Together, we can work through your child's separation anxiety. This is a normal part of growing up, and your child will adjust with support from home and school.

PARENT PARTICIPATION: Children learn better and are happier in school when their parents are involved in some way. You will receive a questionnaire to invite you to help in whatever way you prefer.

We look forward to working with you and your child. It will be an exciting year, as we work together to help them grow and learn!

Thanks,

Mrs. Lizzio & Mrs. Bowers ☺