

August 14, 2020

Dear Families,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. Although this year will look slightly different from previous years, we have prepared the classrooms to be engaging environments for our young learners. We are sure you are anxious to know what our program might look like as we reopen our schools. Below you will find the pertinent information regarding our school day:

- Due to our class size and the morning/afternoon schedule, preschool will attend school four days per week. Our program will run in-person Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Wednesday will be a remote day for all students in the district.
- Our preschool hours have changed slightly. The morning class will start at 8:30 and end at 11:00. The afternoon class will start at 12:15 and end at 2:45. Your promptness is appreciated, as we will be following strict arrival and dismissal protocols (more info to follow).
- Preschoolers are encouraged to wear masks as they enter the building and walk to the classroom. Please have their mask on them upon arrival. Once in the classroom, the students may choose to remove their masks and place them in a labeled paper bag for the duration of the day. All staff will wear masks throughout the day.
- Upon entry in the classroom and during transitions the students will all participate in our hand washing procedure.
- Students will participate in a play-based program where they can actively explore the centers in our classroom. A variety of centers will be available to provide physical distancing. Children will be allowed to interact with one another in the classroom throughout the day. The classroom centers will be cleaned prior to the arrival of the afternoon class.
- Each preschooler will have an individual set of supplies. Students will not share materials such as crayons, pencils, scissors, and glue sticks.
- Each preschool class will be a cohort. We will not be mixing with the other preschool class during recess or for other activities.
- Preschoolers will not go to specials, however; the classroom teacher will still deliver the content as we begin the school year.
- The children will not need to bring backpacks. We ask that they only bring a lunchbox with their snack and a drink.
- All paperwork will go home on Friday in a provided folder. Please return the folder with your child on Monday. Daily communication can be done via email or Seesaw.

We look forward to welcoming your child to school on August 31st. We are dedicated to the health, safety, and education of your child. Although we can't guarantee our procedures and protocols won't evolve and change, we can promise that we will be here to build warm caring relationships with your child, share our excitement for learning, and provide an educational program that will meet your child's needs. We look forward to partnering with you this school year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Courtney Langlois & Mrs. Amy Vallandingham