

Welcome To Kindergarten



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Communication

- Each week we will send an email that will have any information that you will need for upcoming events/activities in kindergarten. Please let us know if you are not receiving weekly emails.
- Email is the best way to contact us for questions or to set up a time to meet about your student.

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If your child is going home differently than usual, please call the front office so they can get a message to us as we are not always able to check email before dismissal.

Bus

Please make a tag for your child's backpack with his/her bus number. School staff will help ensure your child is on the right bus!

Supplies

Children will leave all their supplies at school except for their backpacks, lunch boxes, water bottles and snacks. Backpacks will transport lunches, snacks, and water bottles as well as Friday folders, book bags, homework, and library books. The school supplies your child brings at the beginning of the year will be shared among us all!

Snacks

Snacks can be sent to school but will be eaten at recess or during read aloud. (Please make sure your child is fed well before coming to school). Please make sure snacks are **healthy**. No processed food or non-nutritious food will be allowed. Water bottles will need to be brought to school daily and only water will be allowed at snack time. **Please don't put your child's water bottle or snack in their lunchbox. Place it in a front pocket of their backpack for easy access!**

Lunch

Please talk with your child before school about what they are having for lunch. If they have hot lunch please discuss their choices with them before they come to school. Make sure your child knows whether or not he has a lunchbox in his or her backpack. This will help alleviate confusion when we send our lunch count to the cafeteria in the mornings. I know kindergartners may forget and get confused but your input helps us out!! You may pay for school lunch online through the school's website (jeffco connect) or send money to school with your child.

Weekly Folders

Every Friday we will be sending home folders filled to the brim with exciting and important information. This is your main source of information about what is happening in our class and school events! Please go through these folders with your child over the weekend and return the empty folders on

Monday. Homework and any signed papers or other notes need to be put in to the folder to be returned.

Volunteers

There will be a sign up for various volunteer opportunities. If you are scheduled and cannot make it, please let us know. We will be requesting volunteers to start the beginning of October and will provide opportunities for you to sign up to help. When you come to school to volunteer, you must sign in at the office and receive a name tag before coming to the classroom.

Library

We will visit the library each week to check out books. We will be communicating with you soon about your child's library day.

Homework

Read to your child daily. On the weekends, look through the Friday folder with your child. There are occasional notes at the top of your student's work to make corrections/complete and return to school.

Kindergarten Buddy

Each week, our kindergarten buddy will go home with a different student. Directions will be included and the students will be able to keep the buddy for the entire week.

Weather

Weather can change quickly in Colorado. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately and that he or she has a jacket in the fall and spring and appropriate cold weather gear in the winter. We will be going outside in all weather conditions.

Arrival and Dismissal

If your child rides the bus, please work with your child to learn his or her bus number and it is helpful for you to make a tag with the bus number for your student's backpack. If there are changes to the way in which your child goes home, please let us know. Our first priority is to ensure your children are safe!

Please do not enter the classroom with your child in the mornings. We are busy upon arrival and this ensures that the day starts smoothly!

Classroom Wish List

We will be very busy in kindergarten and often times will need certain supplies for an activity or lesson. We will let you know through our weekly email for item requests. Please don't feel obligated to contribute, but we would love your help. We will also always need treasure box items such as party favors or happy meal toys. Thanks ahead of time for your contributions.

Birthdays

Please do not send birthday invitations to school. These need to be sent out by other means. No birthday treats (food items) will be allowed. If you would like to send something in for your student's special day, you may send in a small toy or party favor.

Report Cards and Grading

Class Work:

When your child brings work home from kindergarten, there will be a completion mark on his/her paper. There may be times when your child will need to redo work at home due to handwriting problems or if he/she did not do his/her best work. This will be specified on the top of the paper.

Report Cards:

If your child receives a 3 on the report card, this means that your child is meeting all grade level expectations and is doing GREAT in kindergarten. In order for your child to receive a 4, he/she has to be doing the same work at the same time the current first graders are doing. This would mean your child is working an entire grade level ahead and mastering these skills. It is often rare that any kindergartner will receive a 4.