

Hilburn Academy

PreK-8 STEAM

*Rising Kindergarten Open House
Tuesday, June 5, 2018*

Welcome to the Hawk's Nest



Meeting Plan

- Welcome
- Arrival and Dismissal
- Meet the Teacher
- Staggered Entry
- Preparing for the First Day
- Curriculum
- Health and Medical Information
- Food
- Communication
- Questions

Meet our Team



Team Joining Us Tonight:

- Ms. Mann, K-Teacher
- Ms. Thompson, K-Teacher
- Ms. Mills, K-Teacher
- Ms. Summers, K-Teacher
- Ms. Burnette, Assistant Principal
- Ms. Daley, PreK-4 Counselor
- Ms. Eby, IRT / Lead Teacher
- Ms. Walker, Principal

Students Visit Kindergarten

- Students visit classrooms for a fun activity with the Kindergarten Team!

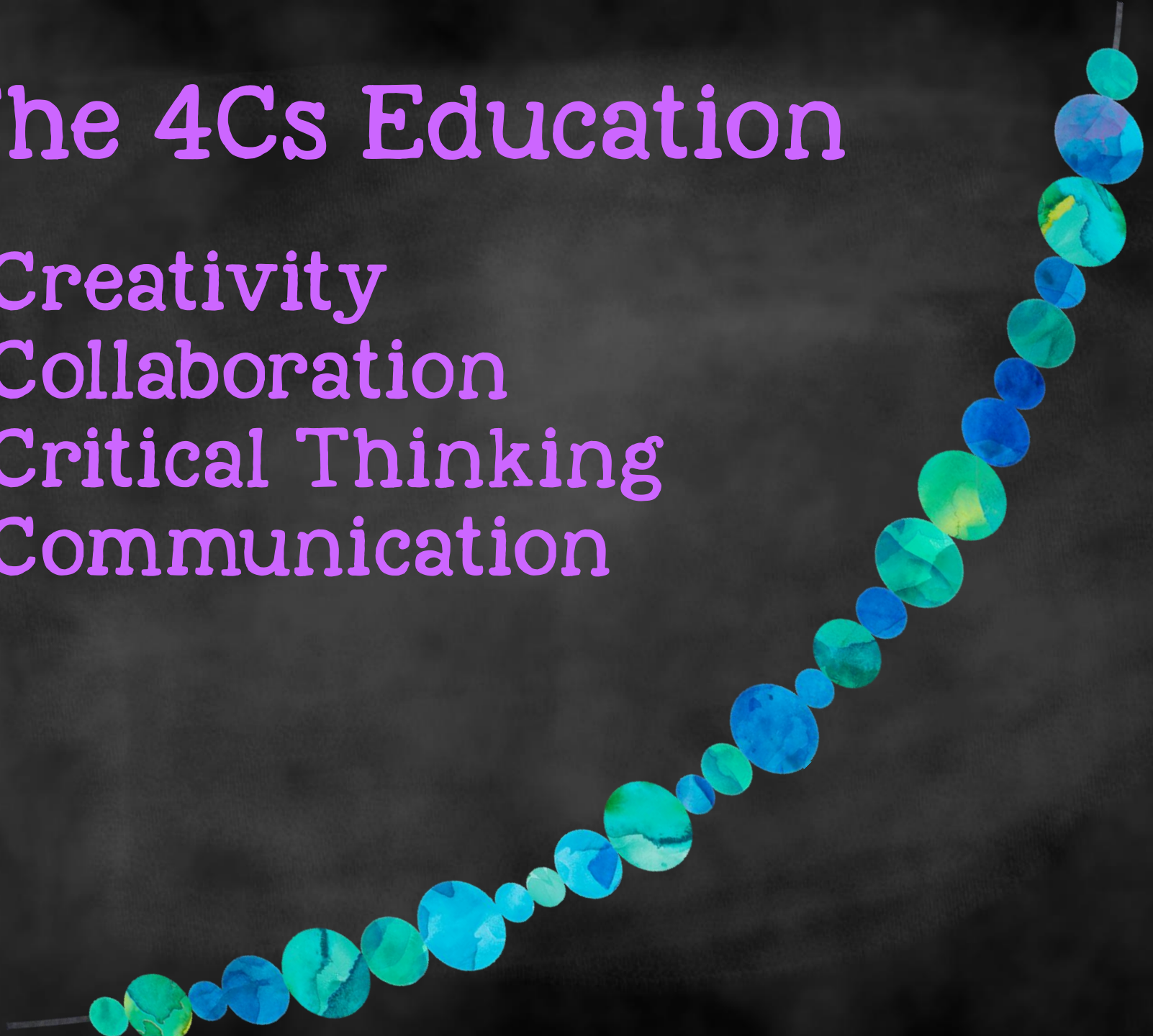
What Starts Here Changes Everything

**EVERY STUDENT DESERVES TO BE
CHALLENGED IN MEANINGFUL
LEARNING EACH DAY.**



The 4Cs Education

- Creativity
- Collaboration
- Critical Thinking
- Communication



Flexible Furniture



for Flexible Learning Environments

Social and Emotional Learning

Building a relationship.



“Every child deserves a champion—an adult who will never give up on them.”

-Rita Pierson

Bell Schedule

School Hours
are 8:15 AM –
3:00 PM

Except on
Early Release
Days



Transportation Options

- Walkers
- Carpool
- WCPSS Bus
- Daycare Vans
- YMCA Bus
- Hilburn
After-School
Care
- Please send a written note to your child's teacher any time your child has a change in transportation.
- You may call the office before 2:30 pm if you have a last minute transportation change.

Transportation Tags

All kindergartners will be provided a tag for their backpack on their first day of staggered entry. This tag will include their name and identify their afternoon transportation (Bus, Carpool, etc). Bus tags will include the bus stop location.

Arrival Procedures

(7:45 – 8:15 am)

- Children may not arrive at school until 7:45 AM
- Carpool and buses begin unloading at 7:45 AM
- At 8:10 AM a “Ready to Learn” bell rings. The expectation is that all students will be in their classrooms at 8:10 AM.
- After 8:15 AM, a parent needs to escort a child to the office.
- Any child whose absence is marked unexcused will receive an automated message.

Dismissal Procedures

- Dismissal begins at 3:00 PM.
- Bus tweets @hilburnacademy & WPSS Bus App
- Students always go home the same way unless we have a note from their parents.
- Notify school of transportation changes before 2:30 PM.
- Buses cannot accommodate sending friends home with a child
- No student check out after 2:45 PM.

Dismissal Procedures

- At the beginning of the year, Kindergarten teachers and TA's escort students to designated areas based on their mode of transportation. Staff in these areas assist them in getting home

Transportation - FYI

- Bus routes, stops, and times set by the district
- WCPSS Transportation Customer Service 919-805-3030

After School Program

- Coordinated by Hilburn Staff
- Registration information will be online this summer



Meet the Teacher

Friday, August 24, 2018

Students in grades 1-5

Tour the school with your child

Order spirit wear

Get carpool number/tag

Confirm bus information

Join the PTA

Kindergarten Meet the Teacher

Friday, August 31, 2018

1:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Class assignments made after staggered entry is completed.

You and your child find out his/her teacher on this day.

What is Staggered Entry?

- Monday, August 27 - Thursday, August 30
- Staggered Entry is a full day.
- Your child only attends school 1 day this week. You will receive a letter this summer with your child's entry date and Student ID#.
- Staggered Entry is aimed to ease the transition into Kindergarten for children (and parents)

What do kids do at Staggered Entry?

- Smaller group sizes allow teachers to offer individual attention and support as children try new things.
- Assessments are integrated into the day through play and practice.
- These assessments, along with observations that teachers make over the first weeks of school, allow teachers to plan your child's instruction.



Class lists for Kindergarten will be posted outside of the classrooms at 1:30 PM on Kindergarten Meet the Teacher Day

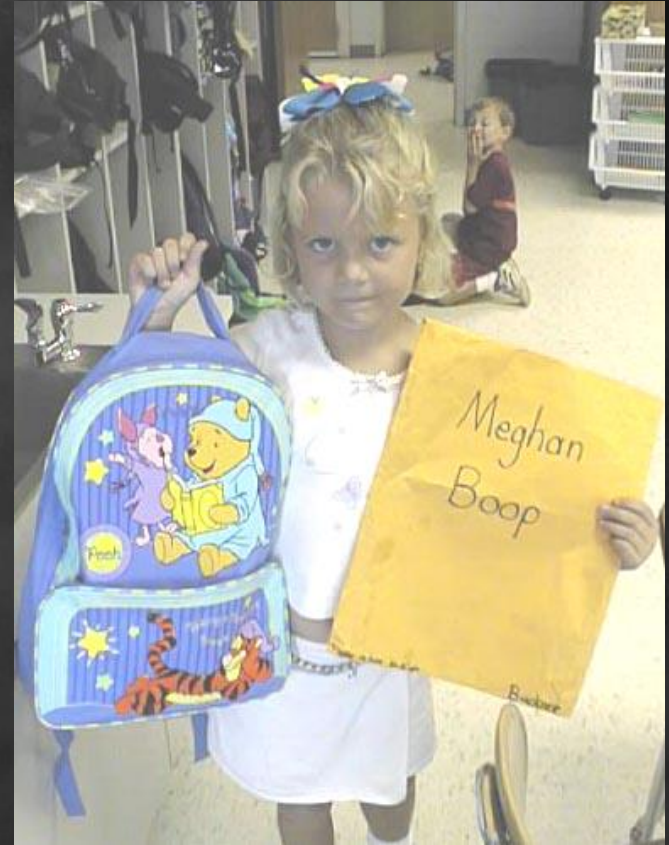
What to Bring...

- Full Size Bookbag
- Healthy snack
- Lunch or lunch money
- Change of clothes
- Rest towel

LABEL EVERYTHING

(other than common classroom supplies)

Everything else can wait until Meet the Teacher



Helpful Hints for Staggered Entry

- Talk to your child about how she/he will go home in the afternoon.
- Talk about snack and lunch - have your child practice opening up milk cartons and juice boxes, pack/unpack bookbags
- Allow plenty of time in the morning to get to school

First day with your whole class

Tuesday, September 4



Prepare for the first day....



- Be positive - your attitude determines your child's attitude
- Communicate - send back important papers
- Get plenty of rest, and expect tired children in the afternoon!
- Give your child a chance to relax before asking specific questions about his or her day

Combat the First Day Jitters

- Show your excitement!
- Read books about the first day of school (next slide)
- Create something to give the teacher
- Begin a similar schedule (eating, sleeping)
- Pack a lunch and practice at home
- Review behavior expectations
- Plan for a quick goodbye routine

Book Ideas

Kindergarten Titles

- Kindergarten Rocks
- The Kissing Hand
- Miss Bindergarten goes to Kindergarten
- The Night Before Kindergarten
- Welcome to Kindergarten

Changing Schools

- Back to School, Mallory!
- Hey, New Kid!
- Wemberly Worried

Positivity Project



Making Friends

Social Skills

- “Break the Ice”
- Positive Reactions
- Manage Conflict

Parent Tips

- Show and Tell
- Role Play
- Opportunities
- Positive Feedback

Attendance

- Early grades is a time when it is most critical for students to be in school so they can build the necessary foundational academic and social skills needed for later school success.
- Research shows that chronic absences in Kindergarten and/or First Grade are predictors of long-term reduced levels of school achievement.
- **Good Attendance:** 9 or fewer absences/tardies/early pick-ups
- **Warning Signs:** 10 - 17 absences/tardies/early pick-ups
- **Chronic Absence:** 18 or more absences/tardies/early pick-ups

Preparing your child for Kindergarten

Academics

Recognize letters in their name

Be familiar with a book

Write name with first letter capital
and the rest lowercase

Count to 10

Practice singing the alphabet

Be able to sit and listen to an entire
story being read

Social

Communicate needs

Use restroom independently

Put jackets on/off

Self-regulation of behavior

Practice opening own lunch
containers and eat a meal within 25
minutes

Routines, responsibility,
accountability

A Typical Kindergarten Day...

- Morning meeting/calendar
- Literacy Block
- Lunch
- Read aloud and writing
- Recess
- Special Classes
- Snack/Quiet time
- Math
- Science/Social Studies



Curriculum

- North Carolina Curriculum describes the skills and knowledge that students should master for grades K-12
- These standards set high expectations for all students, including kindergarteners
- More information about the curriculum will be shared at a Parent Night in the Fall

Time to eat...

- Lunch numbers = Student ID
- Breakfast and Lunch available
- Payment options
 - Prepay online (preferred)
 - Remit check to Hilburn Cafeteria
- Free and reduced lunch forms will go home during the first week of school
- www.MySchoolBucks.com
- Prices: *Lunch* \$2.25 *Breakfast* \$1.25 *Milk* \$.50



Birthdays & Celebrations

- As much as we like celebrating birthdays with parties, sweets, and balloons, we cannot have these kinds of celebrations at school.
- Contact your child's teacher to consider healthy and alternatives instead.
- Parents should always contact their child's teacher before showing up with birthday surprises.

School Nurse

- Hilburn has an assigned Wake County Health and Human Services nurse on campus 2 days a week.

Kindergarten Health Assessment

- Parents/guardians have 30 calendar days from the first day of attendance to present written proof of required immunizations and the physician completed kindergarten health assessment.
- The child CAN be excluded from school until proof is provided.
- If you have questions about your child's immunizations please contact the school prior to the start date

Medications

- Medications will be administered at school ONLY if a Physician Order for Medication form 1702 is completed.
- These forms are available at the front office and online at www.wcpss.net
- All medications must be brought to school by parents/guardians.

Sick Children

- Your child must stay home for 24 hours after she/he has had a fever
- Students should also stay home if they've experienced symptoms such as:
 - Red, watery eyes with yellow drainage
 - Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea
 - Severe headache
 - Undiagnosed rash
- Please call the office if your child will be out sick. You will also need to send a written note to your child's teacher when she/he returns.

Get Involved!



- Join the PTA! ↘
- Be a room parent!
- Volunteer
Registration begins
in August

Home & School Communication

- Pleasant Grove Website
- PTA Website
- PTA HawkTalks
- Hilburn Facebook
- Twitter @HilburnAcademy
- School Messenger emails/texts/calls
- Classroom Newsletters
- Weekly Folders
- Conferences (Fall/Spring)
- Report Cards
- Email - the best method for contacting your child's teacher (please allow 48 hours to respond)

We LOVE Volunteers!

- Room Parents
- Field Trips
- Learning Centers
- PTA Events
- Media Center
- Fitness Testing
- Field Day
- Reading Mentors
- After School Clubs



Before You Volunteer

- Wake County requires ALL volunteers who will work with students (in class, on field trips, etc.) to register as a volunteer
- All interested volunteers should register at the beginning of the year
- All visitors/volunteers MUST check in at the front office when entering the building

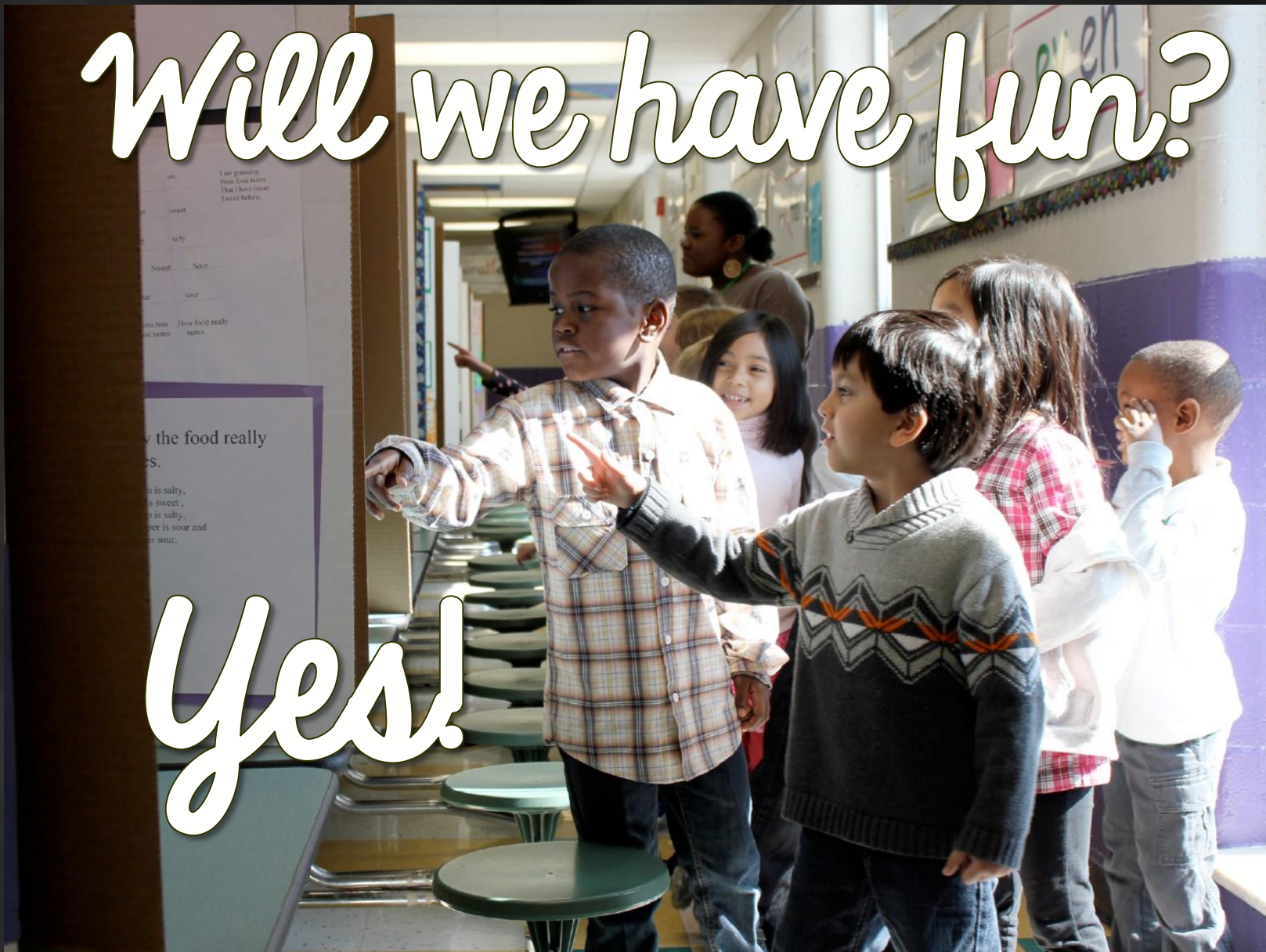
Will
we
learn?

Yes!



Will we have fun?

Yes!



Questions?

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