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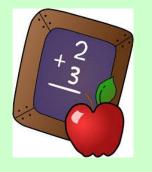
Kindergarten Orientation 2023-2024

Mr. Major, Principal Ms. Pierce, Assistant Principal



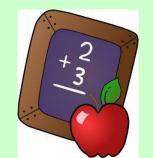


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Kindergarten Teachers and Instructional Assistants:

Ms. Connie Thorne & Ms. Nataly Andrade Mrs. Jordan Manning & Ms. Rebeca Gonzalez Mrs. Shamora Koonce & Mrs. DeHart Mrs. Valerie Minervini & Mrs. Karen Hite Ms. Aasha Worthington & Mrs. Hiba Khalid Mrs. Siobhan Scappino & Mrs. Bassma Alwash



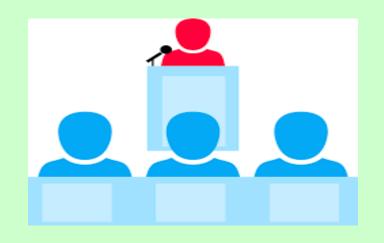


Tonight's Program

- *Introduction of Kindergarten teachers and support staff
- * River Bend ES Procedures
- * A Day in the life of a Kindergartener
- * Staggered Entry Information
- * Meet the Teacher Information

SPEAKERS

- School Counselor Ms. Lee
- School Counselor Ms. Smith
- School Nurse Ms. Andrews
- ESL Ms. Evans
- Title 1 Literacy
- Kindergarten Team



GENERAL DAY/LOGISTICS

- 8:45am 3:40pm
- Instruction Begins at 9:15
- Morning Drop Off
- Afternoon Pick Up
- Buses/Daycare Vans/Carpool
- Check Out Through Main Office (3:25)
- Traffic Flow





2023-2024 TRADITIONAL CALENDAR

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WORKING WITH STUDENTS AT HOME

- Parents help with homework
- Read 15-20 minutes each day/night
 - ask student to retell the story
 - ask about characters, setting, beginning, middle & end
- Have students play simple counting and number recognition games
- Discuss colors and shapes



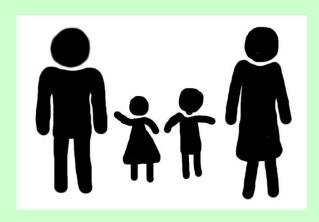
PARENT/TEACHER COMMUNICATION

- Check Daily Folder
- Weekly Folder
- Classroom Monthly Newsletter
- Email
- Scheduled Conferences
- Weekly Principal Phone Message
- Talking Points



PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

- PTA
- Volunteering at River Bend
 - In Classroom
 - Field Trips
 - Lunch
- School Events Open House, Literacy & Math Nights, Spring Carnival, Trunk-or-Treat, Luncheons, All-Pro Dads, I-MOMs, Beautification Day, Spirit Nights, etc...



The Importance of Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

Stay informed.

http://www.riverbendpta.org/

Build Relationships.

We want to build a sense of "community" *Participate*.

We encourage parent participation/support! *Speak up.*

The PTA can be a way for you to be involved and give your input regarding your child's school!



With you as a member, we can accomplish...

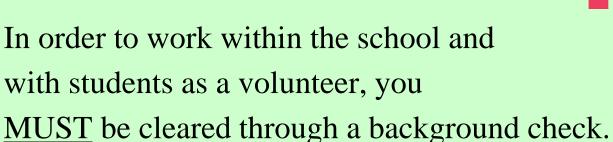
- Mini grants provided to teachers
- Cultural art events
- Student Book Fair
- Food Drive
- Teacher Appreciation Luncheon
- Spring Carnival
 & MUCH, MUCH more.....



If interested, please consider joining the PTA.

How can I volunteer?

At Open House, all parents will be given instructions regarding the application for class/school volunteers.



This can be completed in our school library.

We invite all parents to participate in class activities and/or field trips!

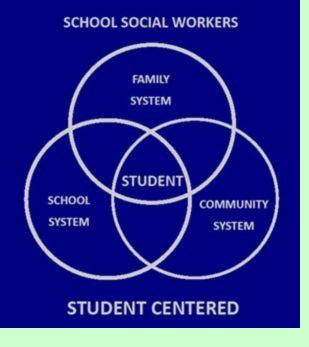


Before and After School Care

Before and after school care is available on site as well as off-campus.

For more information, please stop by the table. Brochures will be available with additional options for before and after school care.





A School Social Worker is the link between home, school and the community.

I work closely with the School Counselor, School Nurse and School Psychologist.

- When do I get involved?
 When students display: poor attendance, effects of a family crisis at school, emotional and behavioral concerns, unmet basic needs (food, clothing, housing etc.).
- How am I involved?
 Assessment, Crisis Intervention, Home Visits, Individual and Group Counseling, Consultation, and Referrals to Community Resources.

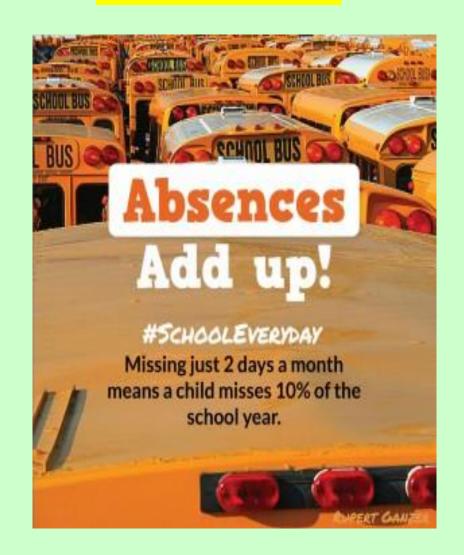
ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Kindergarten is critical for future learning. Your child will learn skills that "set the course" for school success.

Students absent 18 full days in kindergarten ARE LESS SUCCESSFUL IN FIRST GRADE.

Students missing 10% in K and 1st grades were less likely to read proficiently by the end of 3rd grade.

BE IN SCHOOL ON TIME EVERY DAY



School Counselor

- We provide a school counseling comprehensive program that is designed to meet the needs of **ALL STUDENTS**. Helping all students gain skills to be prepared to reach their full potential and lead productive lives in a complex and changing word.
- Classroom lessons on topics such as character education, making friends, decision making, study skills, bullying, and managing behaviors.
- Small group counseling on topics such as academic achievement, social skills, leadership, problem solving.
- Individual counseling
- Working with parents & teachers to support student learning in academic and social emotional skills



Immunizations, Kindergarten Health Assessment (KHA), and Medications



- The parent, guardian or responsible person must present the required written proof of immunizations AND the required kindergarten health assessment form to the school. The child CAN be excluded from school if proof is not provided within the first 30 days of school. If you have any questions about your child's immunizations please contact the school prior to the start date.
- Medications can be administered at school ONLY if a Physician Order for Medication form, 1702 is completed by the physician and parent and is in the school office with the medication.

Wake County Human Services: 919-212-7000

School Nurse: Lisa Atkinson, RN 919-795-3556

latkinson@wcpss.net

ESL PROGRAM - We are here to help!

ESL- English as a Second Language Who and how are students served?



WHAT IS TITLE I INTERVENTION?



"The Title 1 intervention teachers use the "Science of Reading" to deliver direct instruction in reading. Identified students have extra practice with skills already taught in the classroom with a reading teacher. The literacy lesson is a structured, fast paced session consisting of opportunities for the student to engage in Letterland Small group instruction.

"Staggered Entry and Kindergarten Assessment"

What is Staggered Entry?

How does this help my child adjust to a full day of Kindergarten?

Does my child need anything to prepare

for the assessment?



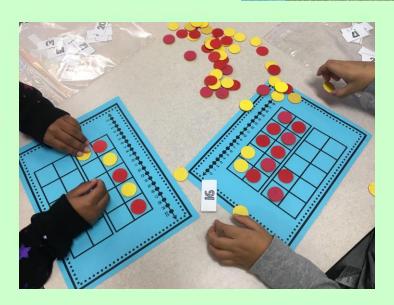






Common Core Curriculum

- Rote Counting to 100
- One- to- one correspondence
- Identifying & Comparing 2-Dimensional and 3 Dimensional Shapes
- Adding & Subtracting
- Word Problems
- Decomposing Numbers



Kindergarten Curriculum Science

- Animals
- Weather
- Properties of Common Objects
- · Force & Motion

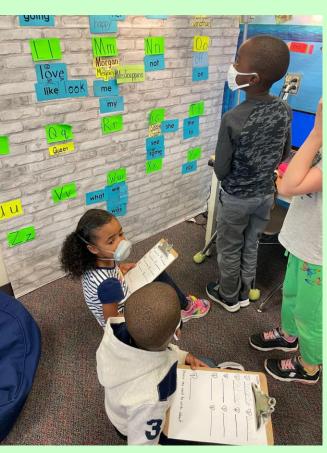






Kindergarten Curriculum

Literacy



Foundational Skills-

Letters, sounds, phonemic Awareness, reading

Language Skills-

vocabulary, conversational skills, active listening

Comprehension-

fiction non-fiction

Writing- Narrative Opinion

Informational



A Day in the Life of a Kindergartener!

- Morning Work
- Morning Meeting
- Literacy Block
- Lunch
- Recess
- Specials (Art, Music, P.E. Media, Science, Guidance, Spanish)
- Math Block
- Science / Social Studies
- Dismissal



Ways To Prepare Your Child for School Work with your child on the following:

Literacy Skills:

- Listen to stories without interrupting
- Recognize rhyming sounds
- Recognize and respond to his/her name
- Identify some letters and sounds
- Identify some parts of the book (ex. front, back, title)
- Read with your child everyday!

Math Skills:

- Trace and identify basic shapes
- Count to 10
- Count objects
- Identify numbers 1-10

Behavior Skills:

- Pay attention for short periods of time to adult-directed tasks
- Begin to share with others
- Listen and follow 3 step directions
- Take care of bathroom needs
- Take care of clothing needs
- Speak in complete sentences

Fine Motor Skills:

- Cut with scissors
- Hold a pencil
- Color with a crayon
- Use a glue stick
- Write your first name



Kindergarten Orientation Conclusion...

Staggered entry will begin on August 28th. Please refer to the letter you will receive in the mail as to which day your child will attend staggered entry.



At this time, we are open to answer any questions regarding kindergarten and your child's first day of school here at River Bend Elementary.