

Cinnabar Valley School

Dear Kindergarten Families for the 2018-2019 school year:

Welcome to Kindergarten! We are very busy planning and preparing for an amazing kindergarten year and are looking forward to spending time with your child. The class start up and organization differs for Kindergarten, which allows us to spend time getting to know each child and optimizing the class organization.

The very first day of school for Kindergarten students is **Thursday, September 6th**. The new K students will spend their first week (from the 6th to the 12th) attending school in small groups. They will spend time in each kindergarten room and get to know the different teachers. Our regular school schedule is in effect beginning Thursday, September 13th. If you think that your child might need extra support, and you did not indicate this on your registration form, please let us know as soon as possible.

The purpose of the Welcome to Kindergarten event that took place in May was to help you in understanding the importance of many school entry skills. Please practice skills such as legibly printing their own names (using an upper case letter to start followed by all lower case letters) and letters of the alphabet, reading names, and counting and recognizing numbers over the summer. In addition to the skills described in the Welcome to Kindergarten package, your child should also be able to manage all aspects of toileting, changing shoes (including tying laces), opening and closing lunch containers and dressing themselves.

To simplify the acquisition of classroom supplies, we will purchase all classroom materials over the summer. We ask that each family contribute \$30.00 during the first week of school to cover the cost of these supplies. We find that it is much easier and more equitable for all children to share and demonstrate respect for school property if we make a bulk purchase of supplies. This money can be sent to school once your child is assigned a class. In addition to the \$30.00 supply money, your child will also need a back pack, a pair of inside shoes good for running (that they can do up themselves), a refillable water bottle and a change of clothes that can be left at the school or inside their backpacks.

We have sent you a questionnaire that will help us get to know a bit more about your child. Please fill it out and sent it with your child the first week of school.

Have a wonderful summer!

We look forward to seeing you in September.

Gradual Entry Schedule

Thur Sept 6th Mrs. Dodd
Group A 8:45 to 9:45
Group B 1:35 to 2:37

Thur Sept 6th Mrs. Skarbo
Group C 8:45 to 9:45
Group D 1:35 to 2:37

Fri Sept 7th Mrs. Dodd
Group C 8:45 to 9:45
Group D 1:35 to 2:37

Fri Sept 7th Mrs. Skarbo
Group A 8:45 to 9:45
Group B 1:35 to 2:37

Mon Sept 10th Mrs. Dodd
Group A 8:45 to 9:45
Group B 12:35 to 1:37

Mon Sept 10th Mrs. Skarbo
Group C 8:45 to 9:45
Group D 12:35 to 1:37

Tues Sept 11th
Group C 8:45 to 10:45
Group D 12:35 to 2:37

Group A 8:45 to 10:45
Group B 12:35 to 2:37

Wed Sept 12th
Groups A&B 8:45 – 11:45

Groups C&D 8:45 – 11:45.

Beginning on Tuesday, September 11th: Please send your kindergarten to school with a small snack. Please note that we are a nut free school. Students will not need indoor shoes or any supplies until they are formally assigned to a class.

Thursday September 13th

Students will be placed into classes and will begin attending their regular days 8:45 – 2:37.

*please note that Mondays are early dismissal days and students are dismissed at 1:37.

On Thursday morning, class lists will be posted in the windows of the Kindergarten classes by 8:30 am.

Students will need to bring a snack, lunch and indoor shoes on this day.

Your child's group number is: _____