



January 29, 2021

Greetings from Promontory Elementary!

We have received your child's Kindergarten registration, and we want to welcome you to Promontory Elementary School. You are joining an exceptional, vibrant, positive school community, and we look forward to getting to know your child and you.

In a typical year, we invite new Kindergarten families into the school for some introductory activities. Due to the current Covid-19 restrictions, we are unable to host these types of events. However, the following are a few things you can look forward to as we help your child get ready for Kindergarten.

Friday, April 2nd

We will be creating an introductory **video** that you can show your child at home. It will include a tour of the school and an introduction to our Kindergarten teachers and our other school staff. Just after Spring Break we will send you a **link** to this introductory video and post the link to the school web site.

Friday, May 7th

We will send home a **booklet** ("I'm going to Kindergarten at Promontory Elementary School") **and package** for you and your child to enjoy together. It will include some fun learning activities and some child-friendly images and information about school.

Tuesday, June 1st (7:00pm)

We will host a **Question & Answer session on Zoom** for interested Kindergarten parents. As we get closer to the date, we will provide a Zoom link and a chance to pre-submit questions to be addressed.

GRADUAL ENTRY

Gradual entry is a strategy we use across the district to ensure that children have a successful, positive start to their school experience. It takes place during the first two weeks of school, Sept 7-17th. We will follow all safety protocols that are in place at that time. The tentative schedule is below:

Tuesday, September 7th - ORIENTATION DAY

Come to the gym entrance at 10:30am. Students are not required to attend as parents (or someone on their behalf) will listen to a brief presentation by the Kindergarten teachers. At this time, you will pick up an information package that will include specific location and times regarding the week's schedule. You will also receive a school introduction time.

(Note: If Covid-19 restrictions remain in place, this may be modified to a drive by pick-up).



Wednesday, September 8th – SCHOOL INTRODUCTION

Your child will attend a 1-hour session with other students from either 10:00-11:00am, 11:15am-12:15pm, or 1:00-2:00 pm. This school introduction time is set aside for the Kindergarten teachers to become acquainted with the students.

Thursday, September 9th – CLASSROOM VISITS

This is an opportunity to meet your child's teacher. Please bring your child with you. You will receive your designated time in your information package on Tuesday, September 7th.

Friday, September 10th & Monday, September 13th - MINI SESSIONS

Your child will attend a 1½ hour session with half of the class in attendance. This will provide an opportunity for small group orientation and introduction of school routines and expectations. You will be informed of your child's Mini-session times in your information package on Tuesday, September 7th. Times will be either 8:30-10:00am or 10:25 – 11:55am.

FULL ATTENDANCE – ALL KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

To allow time for transition to full days, there will be several days with different dismissal times:

Tuesday, September 14th – 8:30-11:00am

All students will go to their assigned teacher/class for a part-day session. Please have your child line up outside in the designated classroom spot. Please send a recess snack. This will be the first day experiencing recess.

Wednesday, September 15th – 8:30am-12:00pm

All students attend and are to bring a recess snack. This will be the second day experiencing recess and staying until the beginning of the lunch period.

Thursday, September 16th & Friday, September 17th – 8:20am-1:00pm

All students attend and are to bring a recess snack and a lunch. Students will be experiencing recess and lunch on these days.

Monday, September 20th – 8:20am-2:22pm

This is the first full day of school for Kindergarten students. Students will bring a recess snack and a lunch. Dismissal will be at the end of the school day.

***Note:** *All dates, times and activities are subject to change as we adapt to the most current Covid-19 protocols. We will keep you informed of any changes.*

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