Kindergarten Orientation Welcome to the Talawanda School District and Marshall Elementary April 30, 2019

Welcome Kindergarten Class of 2019-2020

Orientation Agenda:

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- Kindergarten Program Options
- Kindergarten Readiness Skills
- August Family Conferences
- First Day of School
- Transportation
- Breakfast & Lunch
- Summer Skills
- Jump Start Opportunity
- Questions



Introductions

Mr. Chad Hinton, Principal Mrs. Cami Schaefer, Teacher Mrs. Kayla Ziegler, Teacher

Registration Process

Online Forms through FinalForms

- You should have received an email from FinalForms with a link to complete the registration forms
- Fill out all forms and be sure to submit each page
- On Screening day bring with you:
 - Child's certified birth certificate
 - Child's immunization records
 - Please review list of required immunizations in the packet
 - Physical to be completed prior to 1st day of school
 - Parent's driver's license
 - Proof of residency in the Talawanda School District
 - Current Utility Bill, Deed, Building Permit, Rental Agreement, Tax Statement
 - Certified-court stamped divorce decree with custody papers (if applicable)

Screening Process

- Marshall's Screening Day will be May 2.
- We will review your online forms for completion and make copies of the forms you bring with you.
- Your child will go with a Marshall staff member for the Kindergarten Readiness Test (KRT).
- The process will take about 45 minutes.

Kindergarten Readiness Test (KRT)

Sampling of Skills

- Letter Recognition
- Visual Discrimination
- Phonemic Awareness
- Listening Comprehension
- Vocabulary
- Numbers and Operations
- Measurement
- Geometric Concepts
- Fine Motor Task

Talawanda Kindergarten Program

- Students are in session from 9:15 4:00 daily with a shortened schedule on Wednesdays
- Enrichment Includes: Art and Library weekly – Music and PE twice weekly
- \cdot A lunch and an afternoon recess
- Breakfast, lunch and snack time
- Core Curriculum Includes: Language Arts, Writer's Workshop, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Health
- Additional time for:
 - Social skills/developmental assets, Centers, Inquiry learning, Intervention, and Enrichment

Readiness Skills

- Letter Identification
- Number Identification
- Counting
- Writing Name
- Cutting

Social Skills and Daily Living Skills

Work with your child on:

- Tying shoes
- Buttons
- Snaps
- Zippers
- Toileting
- Hand Washing
- Following Directions

- Using appropriate language
- Sharing and Turn Taking
- Keeping hands to self
- Expressing emotions using appropriate words
- Use words to:
 - \cdot Ask for help
 - Communicate needs
 - Share likes and dislikes

Motor Skills

Fine Motor:

- Use correct pencil grasp to draw shapes and pictures to express ideas
- Cut with scissors
- Color within lines – control
- Manipulate small objects
 - Craft
 Projects

Gross Motor:

– Run

- Jump
- Нор
- Throw/Kick/ Bounce a ball

Ohio's Learning Standards

For more information please go to the following websites

- <u>http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Learning</u>
 <u>-in-Ohio</u>
- <u>http://education.ohio.gov/Parents</u>
- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DhijL</u> <u>faSMt8</u>

Family Conference Days

- Placement Letters and Conference Times sent via mail by August 2
- Conference Days: August 14, 15, and 16
- Meet your child's teacher
- Share classroom routines and schedule
- Discuss child's history
- Answer questions

First Day of School

- First Day for Kindergarten is August 19
- Teachers are outside and inside the building to assist students to class
- All students wear a name tag
 - Student name, address, bus number
- School Hours: 9:15 AM to 4:00 PM
 - We encourage parents to put students on the bus for the first day of school and then drive to school if you want to take pictures of them arriving at school.

Transportation

- Bus routes will be available online two weeks before school starts and will be available at family conferences.
- Bus drivers contact kindergarten families before the start of school.
- Transportation Office 273-3150
 - Parent or designated person must be present for the bus to drop off a student at home.

Breakfast and Lunch

- Breakfast is served daily in the cafeteria for \$1.00
- Students are dismissed from the bus early to have breakfast in the cafeteria
- Lunch is \$2.55
- Money may be deposited into your student's account weekly/monthly.
- You can view your student's account balance online.

Summer Kindergarten Jitters

Help to ease your child's fears by:

- Driving by the school or having a picnic on the playground.
- Play school at home.
- Visit Lane Public Library.
- Make up a fun goodbye routine and practice it in other situations before school starts.
- Build a bedtime routine with the reading of a book.

Summer Kindergarten Jitters

Read and discuss books that talk about starting school

<u>The Kissing Hand</u> By: Audrey Penn

<u>Tom Goes to Kindergarten</u> By: Margaret Wild

<u>Look Out Kindergarten</u> By: Nancy Carlson

<u>I'll Always Come Back</u> By: Steve Metzger

THANK YOU! Any questions?

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