

WELCOME PARENTS



**Kindergarten Parent Meeting
February 21, 2018**

Theresa Schoon

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Kim Yelich

Kindergarten Teacher

Kathi Tucker

Principal of Homan



Agenda

Theresa Schoon

General information about LC kindergarten program

Kim Yelich

Information on your child's kindergarten experience

Kathi Tucker

Information on registering your child for kindergarten



Lake Central Enrollment Fall 2017

Total Students	9409
LCHS Students	3286
Middle School Students	3005
Elementary Schools Students	3118



Elementary Enrollment

Bibich	412
Homan	516
Kolling	665
Peifer	425
Protsman	656
Watson	444



Kindergarten Enrollment

Total - 593

Average Class Size:

20 (FDK)

11 (HDK)



Eligibility Date

August 1, 2018



KINDERGARTEN IN LAKE CENTRAL

- Half-day program
 - AM session (8:10 - 10:40)
 - Limited number of sites
 - District will transport to school only
- Full-day program
 - 8:10 – 2:40

Full-Day vs. Half-Day Kindergarten

- Both programs teach the Indiana Academic Standards
- HDK students attend computers and library each week
- FDK students attend art, music, PE, computers and library each week
- FDK students have additional time for enrichment and/or interventions

Kindergarten Costs

- 2018/2019 textbook rental and fees will be set later this spring.
- Currently they are:
 - \$140.69 FDK
 - \$129.14 HDK



The Introduction to School-based Learning

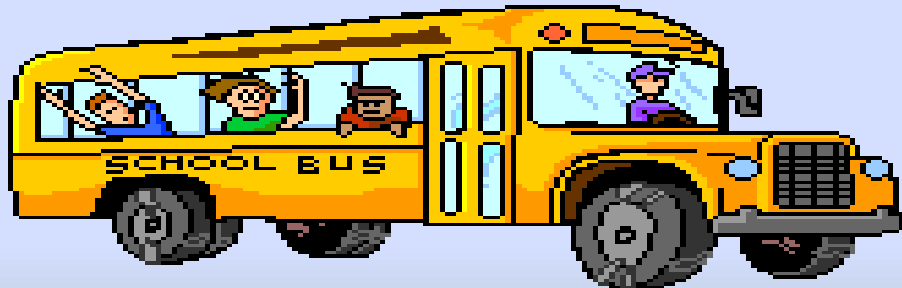
Transportation

Kindergarten Bus Orientation

August 13, 2018 10:00 AM

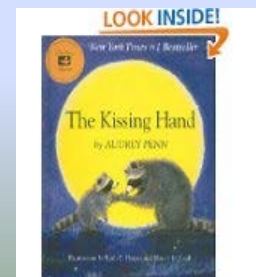
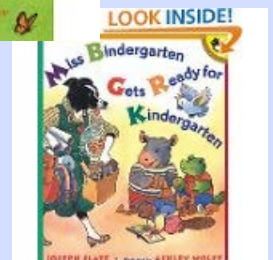
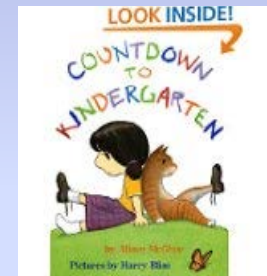
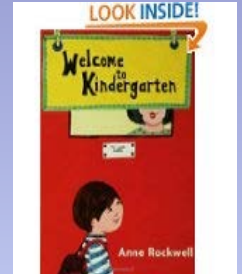
Monday - Friday -- 6am-5pm (219) 365-3141.

For more information on what school your child will attend or what their bus number will be or if they will be able to receive bus transportation click on the LCSC home page and go to transportation or the bus at the bottom



How to prepare your child for Kindergarten

- Buy their supplies for school and home (maybe a few extra)
- Make sure they are kid friendly supplies & coats
- Make sure all supplies are labeled
- Have a trial run lunch with your child
- Good bedtime routines-early bedtime
- Practice good eye contact with your child
- Practice giving your child a 2 step direction
- Practice cutting
- Practice waiting
- Watch how your child holds their pencil and writes
- Play a game and make your child lose
- Have your child clean up their messes



Separation Anxiety



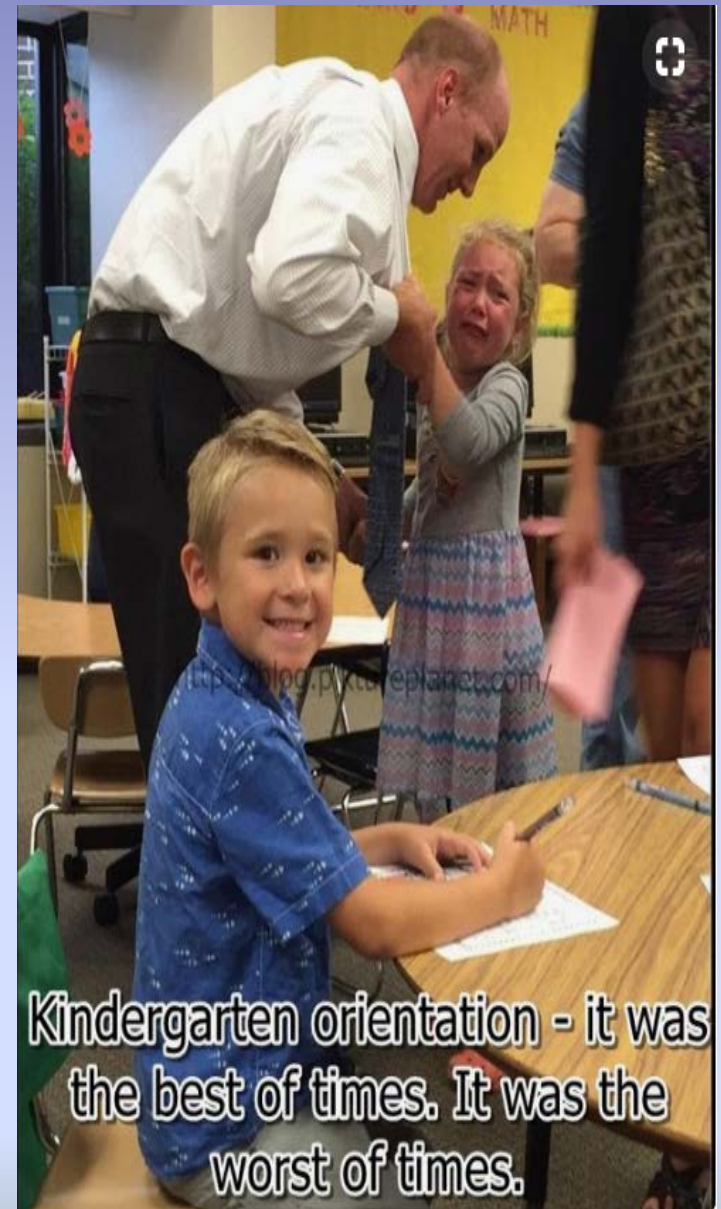
- Picture of Family in Folder
- Read a book about starting Kindergarten
- Put your child in a summer library program, sport or town program so they can interact with other kids as well as separate from you
- Develop a goodbye ritual (Kiss or special wave)
- Don't give in
- Keep calm during separation

ORIENTATION MEETING

- Held on first day for some of the schools
 - Parent and child attend
 - Approximately one hour in length
- Chance to meet the teacher

Some of the schools will have a meet the teacher night for parents only.

- Receive information regarding classroom procedures and expectations
- PTO Packets are handed out
- Your home school will send out information about all these important dates that will take place at your school
- No Crying!



Kindergarten orientation - it was
the best of times. It was the
worst of times.

First Day of School

August 14, 2018



First Week of School & Tips

- Have your child ride the bus the first week
- Have your child order a school lunch the first week
- Do not walk your child down after the first day
 - Label everything-child's name, teacher's name, lunch money
- Have your child at school on time
- Keep all Emergency information updated
- Check your child's folder nightly
- Communicate with your child's teacher-you are their 1st teacher-positives and negatives-change in routines



EXPECTATIONS

- Health and hygiene
 - well-rested
 - immunizations and physicals complete and turned in before the first day of school-list any concerns
 - good attendance
 - Vacations
 - Illness Policy
 - Sneezing & Blowing noses
 - Bathroom needs independently



Kindergarten teachers be like...
 Bored Teachers



EXPECTATIONS

- Cooperate with others
- Sharing
- Follow simple instructions 1 or 2 step directions
- Work independently
- Finish tasks that are started
- Work in a variety of settings
- Cleanup after themselves



KINDERGARTEN CURRICULUM

Based on the Indiana Standards

- Report Card -4 times a year
- Indiana Standards
- Skyward is how you can look at your child's Academic and Conduct Grade
- We will TRC each child 3 times a year (Text Reading and Comprehension) your child to find out their reading levels.



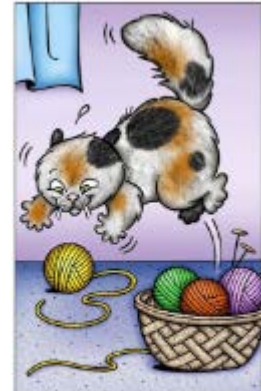
Language Arts

- Concepts of Print
- Identify all letters
- and Oral Sounds
- Syllables, Rhyming and CVC words
- Know beginning, middle and ending sounds
- Be able to write their letters
- Read 100 Sight Words
- Read and comprehend a Level C Book
- Be able to write Narrative and How to books



The dog.

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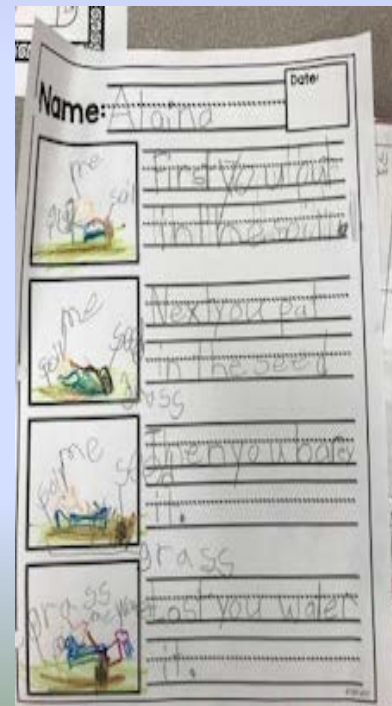
The big cat plays.

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The children are busy at school.
What other things do they do?

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Math

- Know 2D vs. 3D Shapes
- Sorting
- Positional terms
- Decomposing Numbers
- Place Value
- Number Identification & Writing numbers
- Counting by Tens
- Counting to 100
- Addition
- Subtraction
- Patterning
- Calendar
- Subitizing
- Number Sense
- Concepts of time
- Algebra?



Fun Ways to Play and Learn

- Bubbles and Counting
- Fine Motor-chalk, shaving cream, broken crayons
golf pencils
- You Tube-Harry Kindergarten, Dr. Jean, Count to
100 and Kindergarten songs
- Bouncing Ball
- Flashlight tag
- Fly Swatter
- Jenga-sight words, Alphabet or Numbers
- Cutting
- We hope you come to the Hands on Workshop
March 15th 6:30-7:30





Get Involved

- All our schools have great PTO's
- Classroom Volunteers
- Volunteers to do projects at home
- Room Parents
- Chaperone Field Trips
- All Volunteers in the LCSC will need a criminal background check
- Volunteers are not paid -- not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.



Great Websites!

- Spider Typer
- Reading Eggs
- ABCya.com
- Kaboose.com
- Keyboarding Climber
- Key Seeker
- pbskids.org
- Crayola.com
- Spellingcity.com
- Starfall.com
- Come to the hand on workshop and we will give you a list of apps and computer games geared for Kindergarten



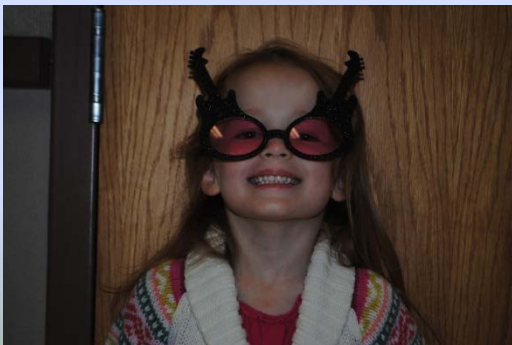
Reading – The Foundation of Learning





All kids are gifted; some just open their packages earlier than others.

-Michael Carr

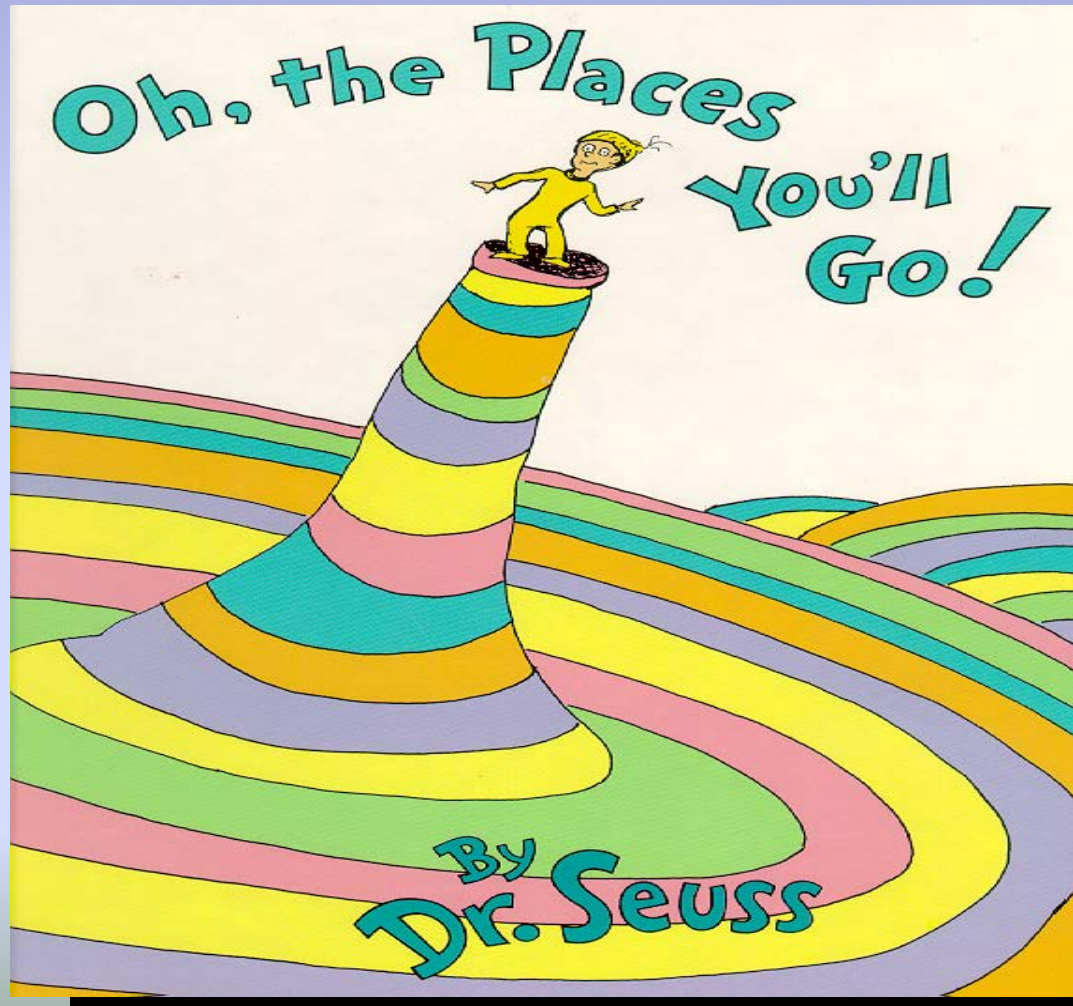


**No matter how old you
are - when you go out
into the world,
it is best to hold hands
and stick together.**

- Robert Fulghum



Kindergarten Registration



The Basics of Registration

- Dates, times, places
- Length of the process
- Volunteer helpers



The Role of the Parent



WHAT DO I BRING?

- Your Child
- Birth Certificate
- Proof of Residency
- Driver License

Sign-in table

- Boundary check
- Age check
- Information Packet



Sign-in Table, continued

- Information packet given
 - Items to take home
 - information sheets
 - physical form
 - immunization information
- Items to complete
 - enrollment form
 - residency form
 - nurse information
 - session preference (Half or Full-day)
 - Home Language Survey

Sign-in Table, continued

- Information to bring with you
 - original birth certificate
 - the official registration with the county
 - proof of residency
 - current utility bill with name and address
 - home agreement or a contract to purchase
 - rental agreement or lease
 - emergency phone numbers
 - doctor and dentist name and phone

The Child's Role



Station to Station

- Waiting Area
- Hands-on Activity
- Kindergarten Screening



You are finished when...

- **Child has completed all stations**
 - usually has dots on name tag for each station
- **Parents have completed all paperwork and checked out with school secretary**

Who needs to register?

- All children who have reached the age of 5 on or before August 1
- Children enrolled in West Lake preschool who meet age requirements



Keeping the Connection

- Hands-on parent workshop in spring
 - Thursday, March 15, 6:30 p.m. at Homan School
- Information from the school, district and transportation



Questions?

