



## Welcome to Kindergarten at Forest Park 2021-2022

Hello Children!

It's almost time for kindergarten and we are so excited to see you! We are going to have so much fun learning and playing together! We will read books, sing songs, write stories, count, create many projects and learn so much more! There will be many friends for you to learn and play with, too. The information below will help you and your family get ready for kindergarten.

Greetings Kindergarten Family!

Over the summer, there are many things that you can do to help prepare your child for kindergarten:

- Build independence with bathroom and dressing routines.
- Build "mask stamina" by having your child "practice" wearing a mask during the day (while reading a book, playing with toys, using a tablet, walking in hallways).
- Practice following 2-Step verbal directions ("first---, then ---").
- Let your child explore using a pencil, pen, scissors, gluesticks, etc.

Here is a list we think you will find helpful as your family prepares for Kindergarten:

- Please plan to send a healthy snack and water bottle each day with your child.
- Please put all notes in the home-school folder (green and white Forest Park folder). Your child is responsible for handing in any notes; please remind him/her to do so.
- Please send your child with 2-3 extra masks each day. Please keep these in a ziploc in your child's backpack.
- If there are any changes with pick-up or child care, we must be notified immediately. Only adults listed in ASPEN are permitted to pick up children from school.
- Please remember to put your child's name on backpacks, lunch boxes, clothing, etc.
- Please return emergency cards as soon as possible. Please reach out to our school nurse (Lisa Meyer; [lisa\\_meyer@nksd.net](mailto:lisa_meyer@nksd.net)) directly if your child has an allergy or medical condition.
- Have your child bring his/her dismissal tag to and from school for the first week. We will provide the dismissal tags at orientation.

### Student Supplies

Please send your child to school with the following items:

- 1 backpack, large enough to hold a lunchbox and standard-sized folder
- 1 full change of clothes (socks, pants, underwear and shirt), clearly labeled in a large ziploc bag. We will keep these on our shelf for emergencies.
- 1 hard-sided pencil box
- Headphones labeled in gallon sized ziploc bag. Please do not send in earbuds.

### Classroom Supply Wishlist (Can be sent in at any time)

- 3 cans of play-doh
- 1 box of gallon-size resealable bags
- 2 containers of **Clorox wipes**
- 2 containers of **anti-bacterial wet wipes for cleaning hands**
- 1 box of tissues
- Disposable children's face masks

We are looking forward to spending the year teaching and learning with your child. You will receive additional information and get a chance to ask questions at Kindergarten Orientation on Friday, September 03, 2021. More information regarding Orientation sign-ups will be coming soon.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,  
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