



Dear "Upcoming" Kindergarten Parents,

Welcome to the Rogersville City School Kindergarten! Enclosed in this packet is information that we feel will be useful to you as you and your Kindergartener prepare to come to Kindergarten this next school year.

Going to Kindergarten is a big step not only for the child but the parents as well. Please know that we make every effort possible to provide a smooth transition from the home to the structured environment of school. We also want to work with you as your child learns, grows and prepares for First Grade.

The RCS Kindergarten classes are full-day, Monday through Thursday and half-day every Friday with pick up @ 12:00 noon. Parents need to make necessary arrangements to have their child picked up at that time. It is important that students be picked up on time, due to the fact that the Kindergarten teachers may have a grade level meeting planned or a parent conference. It is also their planning time for the following week.

Your child will have teachers other than his/her homeroom teacher. We have Related Arts as part of our Kindergarten curriculum. Those Related Arts classes are Art, Music, Physical Education and Library.

During the months prior to school beginning, please give your child opportunities to "just be a kid" by playing ~ indoor and outdoor. Play is beneficial to their growth and well being. Also, please visit our public library located in downtown Rogersville. Their Summer Reading Program for children could provide lots of enrichment for your child. You might even consider allowing your child to have his/her own library card. We encourage you to spend quality time together reading, reading, and reading! ☺

Before school starts, your child's teacher will give you a call to touch base with you and to welcome you into our RCS Kindergarten family. They will also be scheduling your child's Kindergarten Screening day.

We look forward to joining in partnership with you on this new phase of your child's life. If we can be of assistance to you, please feel free to contact us by calling RCS at 272-7651. We also encourage you to visit our Classroom Web Pages on our school's web site at: www.rcschool.net

Sincerely,

Rogersville City School Kindergarten Teachers:

Mrs. Grace Bond, Mrs. Hannah Duncan,
Mrs. Whitney Hancock, Mrs. Kelley Russell



For your child to get off to a great start in Kindergarten, it is to your child's advantage to know/be able to do the following. Please use this list as a 'checklist' to see how your child "shapes up" and work on these skills prior Kindergarten.

Reading Readiness

- Knows what a letter is
- Recognized all 26 letters of the alphabet
- Has been read to frequently or daily
- Recognizes some nursery rhymes
- Identifies parts of the body
- Pronounces own full name (first, middle and last)
- Prints own first name using one capital letter and the rest lowercase: ex. Jason and knows the name of the letters of his/her first name
- Identifies own name in print
- Completes a sentence with the proper word
- Uses left to right progression (a book is read left to right)
- Answers questions about a story
- Knows personal information-full address, birthday, age and phone number

Numbers

- Counts orally 1-20
- Counts objects with a one-to-one correspondence
- Understands the concept of more and less
- Recognizes the numbers 1-10

Colors and Shapes

- Identifies the 11 basic colors: red, blue, yellow, green, orange, purple, pink, gray, black, brown and white
- Identifies 6 basic shapes-circle, rectangle, square, triangle, oval and diamond
- Matches shapes or objects based on shape
- Draws the 6 basic shapes

Position and direction

Understands up, down, in, out, front, back, over, under, top, bottom, middle, beside and next to.

Size

Understands big and little and long and short

Matches shapes or objects based on size

Listening and sequencing

Following simple directions

Listens to a short story

Retells simple stories in sequence

Listens without interrupting

Motor Skills

Able to hold and use scissors correctly/cutting on lines and gluing objects

Able to button and zip

Able to put on and take off coat or jacket without assistance

Able to zip or buckle backpack without assistance

Completes simple puzzles

Draws and colors beyond a simple scribble

Able to correctly hold a pencil/crayon

Able to tie shoes

Social and emotional development

Takes care of toilet needs independently and appropriately

Knows how to use a handkerchief or tissue

Plays and shares with other children

Recognizes and respects authority

Able to stay on task

Able to work independently

Able to hold a conversation and speak understandably

Uses words to express feelings instead of using force, hitting or having a temper tantrum

Kindergarten Supply List for Rogersville City School 2021-2022

~~ Ticonderoga Pencils

~~ Pack of Stick Glue

~~ Fiskar Scissors (No plastic)

~~ 2 Crayola Crayons

~~ Plastic Pencil Box (Please no zip arounds.)

~~ Spill proof drinking cup/sports bottle

~~ **Backpack** (no rolling backpacks) Make sure your child can open and close the backpack by themselves-
unaided by an adult.

~~ Liquid Soap

~~ Kleenex (1 large box)

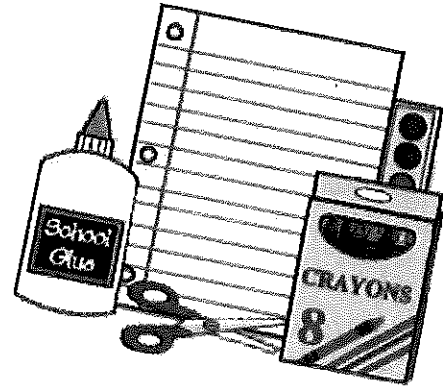
~~ Baby Wipes (1 pkg. and refill pkg.)

~~ Clorox Wipes

~~ Germ-X

~~ 1 pkg. white copy paper

~~ 1 pkg. colored copy paper



** Please check Homeroom Teacher's webpage (rcschool.net) before purchasing items. Each teacher
also has a Classroom Wish List. **