

WELCOME TO PRE-K

Calhoun Pre-K Orientation Information

OUR SCHOOL DAY...

Arrival: Doors will open at 7:15 for car-riders and bus-riders. Please have your child ready to leave the vehicle when you pull up to the unloading zone. Students should be placed on the passenger side of the cars for unloading. If your child is not here by 8:00, you will need to come in to sign them in.

Dismissal: Our dismissal begins at 2:50, car-riders must be picked up by 3:15. Students will go to KEEP after 3:15. You may pull up to buckle your child. Please make sure you have your child's car tag visible, and do not get out of your vehicle.

ABSENCES/CHANGES IN TRANSPORTATION

If your child will be absent or if you need to change your child's mode of transportation for the day please send an email to prekattendance@calhounschools.org

EARLY PICK-UP & ABSENCES

- If you need to pick your child up before the school day is over, you may check them out in the front office no later than 2:15. You will be asked to show your ID when you pick them up.
- If your child is absent, please send in a written excuse or note from the doctor.

YOUR PRE-K STUDENT NEEDS

- A complete change of clothes, including underwear, labeled in a plastic baggie, for when/if accidents and spills occur.
- A standard sized crib sheet to cover their rest mat.
- A regular bath towel for a rest cover, please do not send large blankets. These will be sent home for cleaning each Friday to be returned on Mondays.
- Your child's class folder that will be sent to school each day for communication and information.
- A water bottle labeled with your child's name. Water bottles should be flip top or pop top and filled with water only.
- Book bags large enough to hold all your child's belongings each day.

MEAL INFORMATION

- Breakfast and Lunch are free for all students.
- We will be eating breakfast in our classrooms.
- We will be eating lunch in the PreK cafeteria.
- Our program requires all students to participate in both meals at school. You may send in their breakfast and/or lunch or receive meals at school.
- Please separate nutritionally sound breakfast and lunch sent from home, and clearly label each with their name.
- Due to food allergies, please do not send in any food items that contain peanuts. Please be mindful that Lunchables often contain peanut butter products.

ILLNESS

Do not send your child to school if he or she is sick. This affects everyone. Please keep your child at home if:

- Child has a temperature of 100 degrees or more. Child must be fever free for 24 hours without medication before returning to school.
- Child has had diarrhea or vomiting in last 24 hours
- Child has contagious conditions of any kind (inform staff of this so we may inform other parents). Some conditions may require a note from the doctor before the child may return to school.

Please inform the teacher if your child has a condition that will affect school experience.

DUE TO COVID-19 WE ASK THAT ALL PARENTS ADHERE TO GADDOE/DPH AND CDC GUIDELINES AS THEY RELATE TO SCHOOL PARTICIPATION.

Students should not enter the building if they:

- Are running a fever of 100.4 or greater
- Have been in direct contact with someone who tested positive for Covid-19.
- If your child has been in contact with a positive Covid-19 case, please contact your child's teacher for guidance along with the CCS website Covid protocols page.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

- At this time, students may not have visitors for birthdays or other celebrations.
- Parents may send in store-bought treats, as long as they are peanut free, for birthday celebrations.
- Items may be dropped off in the car rider line, or students may bring them on the bus.
- Please label any items with your child's name and classroom.

PRE-K DRESS CODE

- Our students will be playing outside, painting, and using a variety of other art and school supplies. Students should dress in clothes that will be suitable for all pre-k activities. Girls should wear shorts or bloomers under their dresses or skirts. Please **label ALL** jackets, etc. with the student's first and last name.
- Please do not send your child in shoes with laces or strings. Students should be able to put their shoes on independently. Students should not wear flip-flops.

BATHROOM NEEDS

We encourage all PreK students to be fully potty trained. We understand that young children are still developing bathroom habits and that they may have accidents periodically. We try to keep accidents to a minimum by taking all children to the restroom at specific times. We ask that parents be sure their child uses the bathroom before arriving at school. If the accident requires further clean up and/or a bath, parents will be called to pick up the student.

PRE-K CONTACTS

Front Office: Karen Moss (706) 602-6603

Change of Transportation/Attendance email:

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