

AUGUST  
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ESTELLE V. MALBERG  
EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

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# WELCOME PACKET

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Preschool Sneak & Peek** Aug. 29th 3 pm

**First Day of School** Sept. 3rd 9:30 am

**Back to School Night** Sept. 17th 5 pm

**Winter Break** Dec. 23rd – Jan. 1st

**Spring Break** Apr. 14th – 18th

**Last Day of School** June 19th

CLICK BELOW FOR OUR:  
[PARENT HANDBOOK](#)

Our 24–25 District Calendar can be found  
on our district website.

[https://https://www.chclc.org/Page/2868](https://www.chclc.org/Page/2868)



## SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION

MAIN OFFICE  
856-429-7283 EXT. 4010

FAX  
856-795-4788

COLLEEN THOMPSON  
SECRETARY  
CTHOMPSON@CHCLC.ORG

ELISABETTA GUERRIERO  
CST SECRETARY  
EGUERRIERO@CHCLC.ORG



## REPORTING ABSENCES

- To Report an absence, PRESS 1 to leave msg or email [cthompson@chclc.org](mailto:cthompson@chclc.org)
- To Speak with the Child Study Team Secretary, Elisabetta Guerriero, PRESS 4 (x 4040)
- To Speak with our Nurse, Heidi Setchel, PRESS 2 (x 4012)
- To Speak with the Main Office, Colleen Thompson, PRESS 6 (x 4010)

### TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (856-489-5851)

IF YOUR CHILD IS PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION and WILL BE ABSENT, PLEASE CONTACT THE MALBERG MAIN OFFICE AND TRANSPORTATION DIRECTLY!

For all other concerns, please call Transportation @ 856-489-5851



## INCLEMENT WEATHER

Notice of school closure due to Inclement Weather will be immediately available on our district website ([www.chclc.org](http://www.chclc.org)).

Information is all posted on our district Twitter account.

Additionally, all registered Cherry Hill Public Schools' families will receive an email and automated phone call indicating any delays or closures.





## DAILY SCHEDULE

All preschool students engage in the following instructional blocks during the school day:

- Morning Large Group (10 minutes)
- Afternoon Large Group (10 minutes)
- Choice Time (60 minutes)
- Literacy Small Group (20 minutes)
- Math Small Group (20 minutes)
- Indoor Gross Motor (30 minutes)
- Outdoor Gross Motor (30 minutes)
- Lunch (30 minutes)
- Snack (15 minutes)
- Rest Time (50 minutes)
- Toileting & Handwashing (10 minutes)

The time of day for each block varies per class. Individual class schedules will be shared by classroom teachers.



## SUPPLIES LIST

- Backpack
- Lunch Box
- Helmet (to be used w/ tricycles)
- Change of clothes (include socks and shoes)
- Crib-sized sheet/blanket

**PLEASE ENSURE ALL YOUR CHILD'S ITEMS ARE  
LABELED WITH THEIR FIRST AND LAST NAME.**

## LUNCH & SNACK INFO

Parents may provide their child(ren) with lunch and/or snacks or purchase it through the school. **Please note the staff will not be able to reheat any items sent in with students.** Lunch and snack menus will be sent to parents monthly.

Parents will receive an email with instructions on how to order and make payments.



# ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of Malberg Early Childhood Center:

## DROP OFF/PICK UP – PLEASE READ!

All students who are dropped off and picked up by their parent or designee will do so at Door 4. **NO STUDENTS WILL ENTER OR EXIT THROUGH THE MAIN ENTRANCE DURING ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL.** Please have your photo ID and child's student ID# ready for pick up.

Doors will open for arrival drop-off at 9:30 am. Doors will open for dismissal pick up at 3:30 pm.

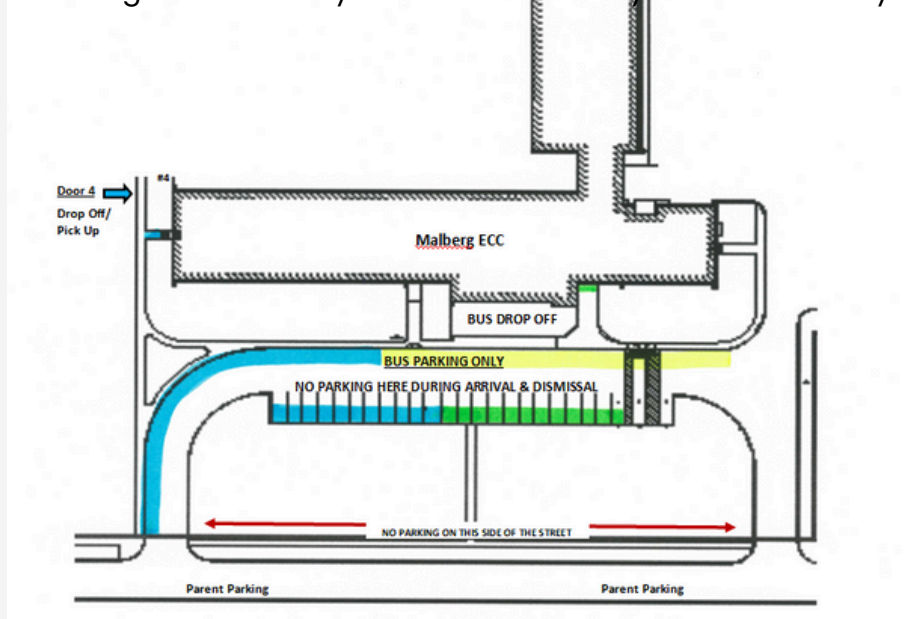
All parent(s) or designee(s) will be required to park on the street during arrival and dismissal. **NO CARS WILL BE PERMITTED TO ENTER THE PARKING LOT DURING ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL.** Please be respectful of residents' driveway clearances when parking on the residential streets.

Please see the map below for door and parking locations.

Some safety considerations:

- Be very careful if walking behind parked cars. If the car is occupied, be certain that the driver sees you so as to not back up.
- Use the crosswalks and sidewalks.
- **DO NOT WALK IN BETWEEN BUSES.**
- Please hold your child's hand until handed over to our staff.

These procedures will begin on the first day of school. Please call if you should have any questions.



Malberg ECC Website  
<https://www.chclc.org/Domain/8>



# PARENT PORTAL (GENESIS)

Genesis is our district's Parent Portal where you will have access to your child's information. Below is the outline of forthcoming information and forms. As in years passed, once the forms are complete, you will have access to your student's teacher.

## On or about August 22

### Parent Portal (Genesis)

The following information can be found in Genesis:

- Bus assignments
- Teacher/Class Assignment
- Parent/Emergency Contact information (you are able to update throughout the school year)

Important school forms that need to be completed on Genesis:

- Malberg ECC Volunteer Acknowledgement Form
- ESI-3 Screening Acknowledgement Form
- Student Code of Conduct/AUP
- School Nurse Health Record Update
- Acetaminophen/Ibuprofen Authorization Form
- Military Affiliation
- Media Release
- Free/Reduced Lunch Application Process Awareness Form
- Technology Survey
- Technology - Chromebook Loaner Agreement
- Malberg Permission Slip for Neighborhood Walk
- Documents Review Verification Form including:
  - Social Media Info (including Student computer & Genesis log-in information)
  - Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act Information Act (FERPA)
  - Integrated Pest Management Information (IPM)
  - Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA)





## OUR CURRICULUM

We use Teaching Strategies' *Creative Curriculum for Preschool* in all our preschool classrooms. The best way to learn about our curriculum and stay up-to-date with your child's progress is by using the Teaching Strategies Family App. Please use the QR Code below to download the app.

(Please note you will not be able to connect with your child's class/teacher until the first day of school, 9/3/24)

The graphic features the Teaching Strategies logo at the top, followed by the word 'FAMILY' in large, colorful, stylized letters. Below this, the text 'Introducing Teaching Strategies Family' is displayed in orange. A paragraph describes the app's benefits for family involvement. A circular inset shows a woman and a child reading together. To the right, a smartphone displays the app's interface with a user profile for 'Bella', a 'Try This!' section with a video, and a 'More Fun at Home' section with a 'WASH AND DRY' activity card. At the bottom, there are download links for the App Store and Google Play, each accompanied by a QR code.

TeachingStrategies®

**FAMILY**

### Introducing Teaching Strategies Family

Family involvement in learning is key to your child's success. We want to help you stay connected and support learning at home. The free **Teaching Strategies Family** app will help you support your child's learning. This tool offers two-way communication between school and home; rich, interactive playlists filled with family-friendly activities you can do with your child; and a digital children's library with over 200 titles.

Get **Teaching Strategies Family** for Free Today

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# FLU SHOT INFORMATION

Attention Parents:

## **IMPORTANT FLU SHOT INFORMATION!**

The State of New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services has mandated that all preschool students under the age of 5 receive a flu vaccine between September 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024. Please schedule an appointment with your doctor early so that they will still have the vaccine.

**AFTER YOUR CHILD RECEIVES THE IMMUNIZATION, PLEASE SEND IN A DOCTOR'S NOTE WITH THE DATE YOUR CHILD RECEIVED THE FLU SHOT**

-OR-

### **IF YOU NEED INFORMATION ABOUT:**

A request for a religion exemption or a note from your child's physician indicating that your child is medically exempt from receiving a vaccine...

PLEASE CALL, our school nurse, Heidi Setchel, 856-429-7283 x. 4012

**STUDENTS WHO DO NOT HAVE AN IMMUNIZATION CANNOT COME TO SCHOOL  
BEGINNING  
JANUARY 2, 2025.**

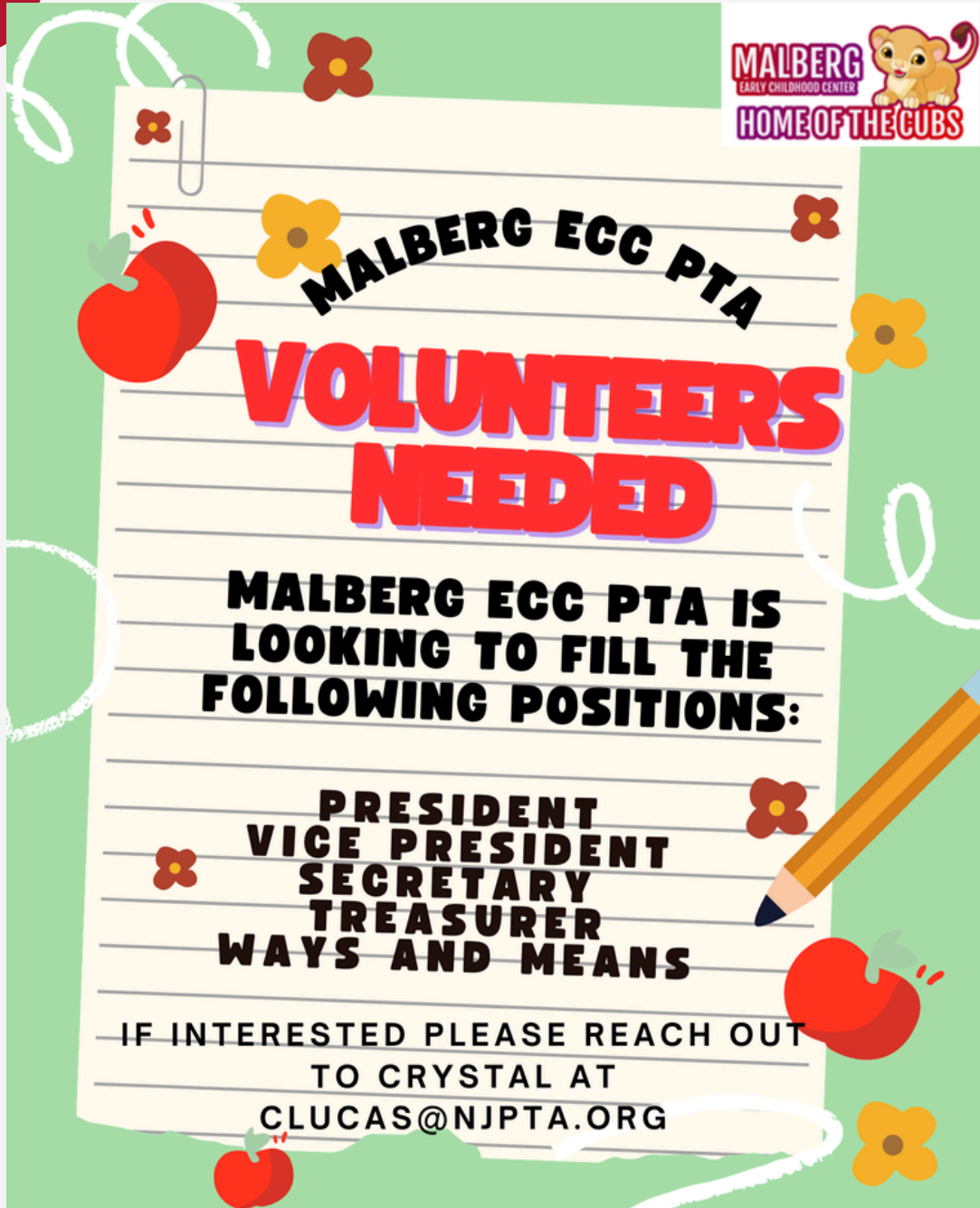
The Department of Health will not grant extensions.  
Please schedule an appointment early to avoid having your child excluded from school.

**PLEASE EMAIL YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND APPOINTMENT DATE TO OUR SCHOOL NURSE, Heidi Setchel (hsetchel@chclc.org).**

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## PTA INFORMATION



Our Parent Handbook, which includes all other necessary information for the school year can be found [here](#).

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# SNEAK-A-PEEK

Thursday, August 29, 2024  
2:45 pm - 3:30 pm

**2:45 PM- Bus tour/demonstration: *Bring your child to take a tour of the school bus and learn about our arrival/dismissal procedures***

**3:00 pm - Classroom tours: *Bring your child to meet their teacher and take a peek at their classroom.***

