

Welcome to... *Sippican School*

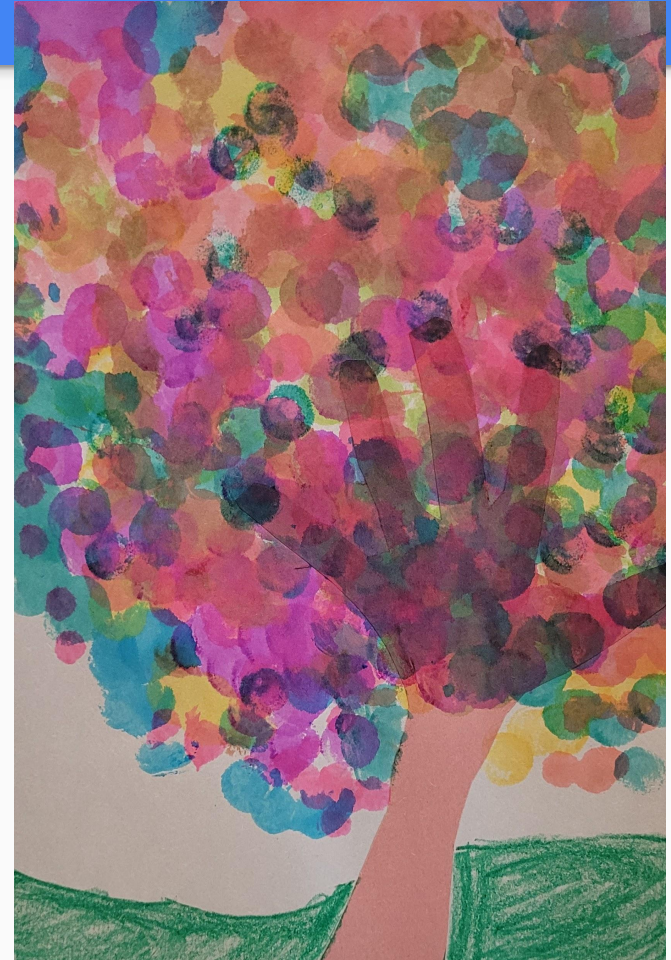


Kindergarten Informational Night

Thursday, March 27, 2025

Tonight's Agenda:

1. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. Important Faces of Sippican School
2. Registration Process
 - a. Timelines & Events
 - b. Documents
3. Kindergarten Screening Process
 - a. Dates
 - b. What to expect
4. Fall Dates
 - a. Start of School
 - b. Orientation & Class Placement
5. Typical Day in Kindergarten
 - a. Daily Routines
 - b. Curriculum
 - c. Skills to Practice
6. Questions and Answers



Administrative Team



Lynn Dessert, M.Ed.
Principal



Gregory Thomas, M.Ed.
Assistant Principal

Familiar Faces of Sippican School

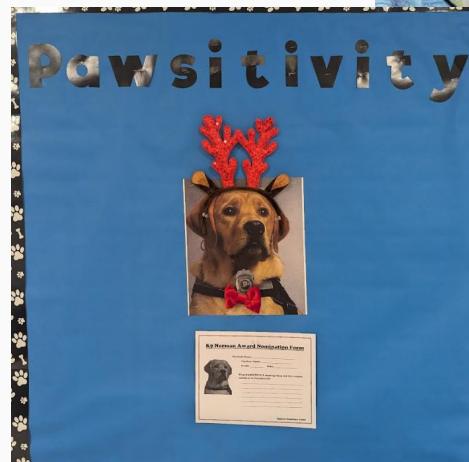
Mrs. Shari Pacheco, Principal's Administrative Assistant

Karen Bertram, R.N., School Nurse

Lisa Daniels, Special Education Administrative Assistant



Jon Tracey
School Resource
Officer



Norman
School
Resource Dog

Kindergarten Team



Classroom Teachers

Mrs. Rogers, Ms. Medeiros and Mrs. Horan

Special Education Teacher

Mrs. Cote-

Registration Process



Sippican website: [Sippican School Webpage](#)

- Go to Families tab on far right and click “New Student Registration” in the drop down menu or Kindergarten Transition Link [Kindergarten Transition Link](#)
 - New Student Registration brings you to [Powerschool for Old Rochester](#)
- Proof of Residency- **All entering Kindergarten families** must provide documentation.
 - (2 documents)
 - Original Birth Certificate
- Pre-registration is online: Once all paperwork is in the office:
 - An email should go to the parent/guardian (check spam and trash)
 - You will get a specific code and login information in this email
 - This is a unique one time access ID and password.

Date and Time: 01/24/2022 12:23:23 pm

Access ID: DoreeTEST992

Access Password: mUFD2GDNTM

Student Name: TEST , Student

Medical Information

Mrs. Bertram, RN

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Prior to school starting, your child needs:

- Up-to-date Physical - *please submit what you have on file now, then update as the school year starts.*
- Immunizations
- Lead Level

Medical Needs: Doctor's Order is Needed for Medication

Epi-Pen

Allergies

Diabetes

Medications

Kindergarten Screening

Dates:

- **Invitation letter will be mailed by the end of April. (*link to sign up*)**
- **Dates:** May 19th (Monday) and May 22nd (Thursday)
- **Time Slots:** Families select a 45-minute time slot (5 children per time slot).
- **Screening Process:** 30-minute readiness screenings and observations for each child.

What to Expect: Please let your child know that they will have fun, play and be able to work with a Kindergarten Educator.

Why we conduct Kindergarten Screenings:

To get to know your child's individual strengths and help them feel comfortable transitioning to kindergarten. It also helps to create balanced classrooms.

General Information

Sippican Elementary School

[Web Page Link](#)

- Placement Letters - Mailed out in August 2025
- Morning Arrival 8:30- 8:40 AM *breakfast available*
- Afternoon Dismissal 2:55 PM - *side door pick up for walkers*
- VASE After-School Activities (3 times a year)
- Childcare option
 - Countryside at Sippican
 - YMCA
- District Calendar for 2025-2026 School Year
 - [District Calendar Page](#)

1st Week for Kindergarten

- **Open House:** Tuesday, August 26th - 5:30-6:30PM
- **New Students *only*:** Wednesday, August 27th
 - **NEW** Students that moved in to town over summer or rescreening is suggested.
 - Parents/Guardians will be notified of class placements by end of school day.
- **Kindergarten Orientation:** Thursday, August 28th *(a letter will be mailed out explaining specific details)*
 - 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Students will meet with their teachers in classrooms.
 - 9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Parent/Guardian orientation in the cafeteria.
 - Parents/Guardians pick up their students at the front door at 11:00 a.m.
 - **Teachers will confirm student transportation schedule with families**
 - **A mock bus ride will be provided for those families interested.**
- **First Day of School:** Friday, August 29th
 - First day for Kindergarten students. Kindergarten students follow their scheduled transportation routine.
 - 12:20 Early Dismissal

Start & End Times

School Hours:

8:30 AM	Breakfast students go to cafeteria
8:40 AM	Students are supervised by staff when unloading buses. Kindergarten student are first off the bus
8:50 AM	Instruction Begins Lunch & Recess (20 Minutes Each)
2:55 PM	Students are supervised by staff when loading buses. Kindergarten student are last on the bus
3:05 PM	Buses Depart



Typical Kindergarten Schedule



- Arrival (Breakfast, for some students)
- Morning Jobs (hang up belongings, take out folder)
- Morning Meeting/Circle Time-Calendar
- Reading-Whole Group
 - Structured Literacy
 - Small Group Instruction/Centers (FLEX Block)
 - Model, Practice and Independent Work
- Recess & Lunch
- Specialists
- Math
- Science/Social Studies

Responsive Classroom

Social Emotional Curriculum

Morning Meeting-Sense of Belonging

- Greeting
- Sharing
- Activity
- Morning Message

First 6-8 Weeks of School

- Setting Routines
- Modeling, Practicing and Reviewing expectations



Kindergarten Curriculum

ELA: *Into Reading*, Intervention, Whole Group and Small Group Instruction

Math: *Everyday Math (Changing)*

- Hands-on curriculum
- Modeling: I do, we do, you do

Science and Social Studies:

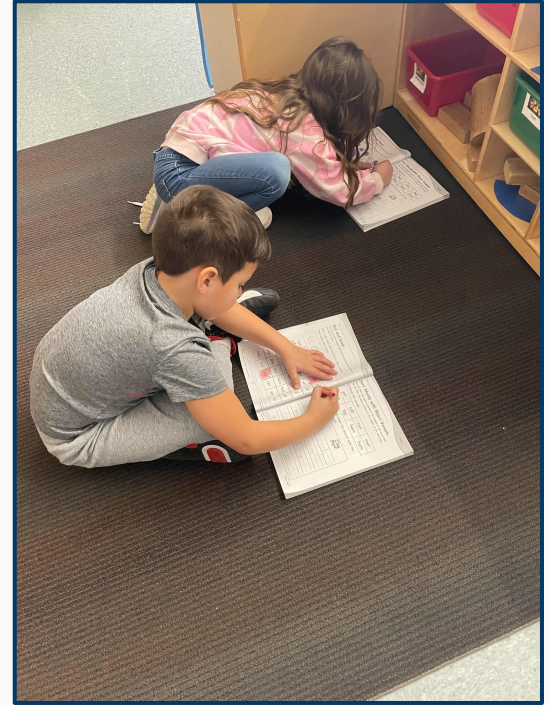
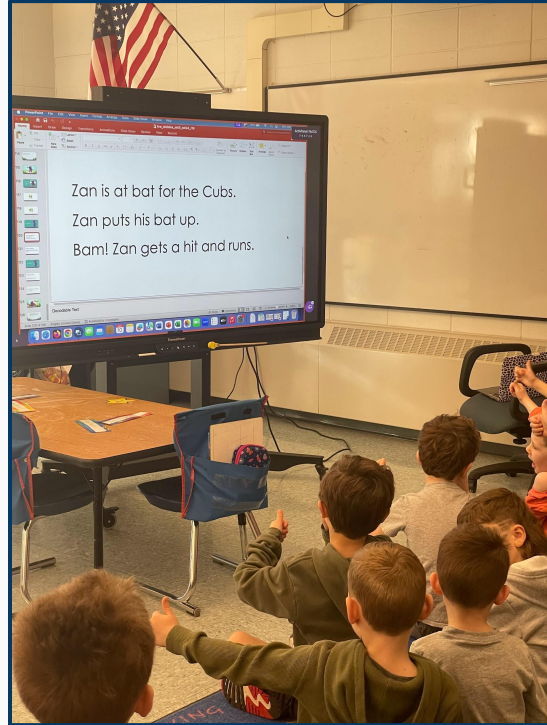
- Embedded through literature
- State Standards

Specialist:

Art, Music, Physical Education (twice a week), Library and Enrichment



Literacy Work with Into Reading



After a Day of Hard Work!!



Skills to Practice for Kindergarten

Things to Practice

Teachers would like children entering kindergarten to be able to do the following:

- Get their jacket on and off without help.
- Use the restroom and wash their hands.
- Cover their mouth when sneezing or coughing.
- Drink from a cup and open a juice box.
- Operate zippers, snaps, and buttons.
- Properly use eating utensils.
- Clean up after themselves.



Welcome to Kindergarten
packets have a great
number of resources



Visit your local library

**READ, READ, READ
EVERYDAY**

READY, SET, GO CHECKLIST



I am ready to go to kindergarten!

A checklist from your child's point of view.

- ☐ I visited my new school and I know where my classroom is.
- ☐ I know how I'm going to get to school and what will happen when school is over.
- ☐ I know my parents' names and my home address.
- ☐ I can use the restroom and wash my hands by myself.
- ☐ I can get my jacket on and off without any help.

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Questions and Answers