

Kindergarten Information Night

Elementary School - 2026



**Welcome, Golden Bear
Class of 2039!**



Welcome to Kindergarten!

- [Meet our team!](#)
- Our goal for this evening is to help you and your child feel comfortable with the transition to kindergarten.
- **We** are here to help!
 - Today, tomorrow and the next 6 years!
 - Education is a partnership — we will work together to help your child develop throughout their elementary school career.
 - We want this to be a family experience.
 - Our goal is to develop relationships between families, teachers, administrators and students to create a strong, caring and inclusive school community.



Agenda

- Our Kindergarten Program
 - What does a day look like?
- Registration Process
- Kindergarten Screening
- Our Delivery Systems
 - UA Schools Elementary Program (Barrington, Greensview, Tremont, Windermere)
 - Wickliffe & Barrington Progressive Programs
- PTO
- Questions



What does a kindergarten day look like?

- The school day is structured to support our younger learners as they adjust to a full-day learning program.
- It is built around the learning blocks for the core content areas — math, reading, writing, science/social studies — with time for play and “brain breaks” woven in throughout the day.
- Students have time to work with teachers individually or in small groups to support their learning and reinforce or extend where needed.
- Each week, students will also have a related arts block that rotates between music, art and PE.
- School hours: 8:15 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.
- Elementary Explorations is a special program that our kindergarten students engage in every 2 weeks to explore cross-curricular content while increasing student voice, improving well-being and creating engaged learners through whole child, project-based learning.



Kindergarten Literacy

- Literacy is an important component that is weaved into every part of our day
- Based on the Science of Reading, we focus on foundational skills.
- We are working to ensure foundational skills are secure by the end of the K year
 - Letter ID
 - Sound ID
 - Phonological Awareness
 - Letter Formation
- The curricular resources we use are Amplify's CKLA, 95% Core Phonics and Heggerty (rhyme time)



Registration Process



Is my child eligible for kindergarten?

Due to a new state law, children will now need to be 5 years of age as of the first day of school, August 12, 2026, for the upcoming school year to be eligible for kindergarten. This is a change from previous years.

Please contact our Enrollment Center at enrollment@uaschools.org by email or 614-487-7676 Ext. 1105 for eligibility requirements, documentation, and any next steps related to enrollment and early entrance evaluation.



How do I register my child for kindergarten?

- **Kindergarten registration opens on Tuesday, February 17th, 2026, 9:00am.**
 - Begin the registration process at www.uaschools.org/kindergarten.aspx.
 - Students must be 5 yrs old by the first day of instruction.
 - We encourage families to complete the registration process in the February 17th- March 15th window for staffing and planning purposes.
- **After completing the online registration forms, you will be prompted to upload:**
 - Birth certificate or passport
 - [Proof of residency](#)
 - Custody papers, if applicable
 - Immunization record



Other items to consider...

- **Choice of instructional program**

- Greensview, Tremont and Windermere families
 - Can choose their UA Schools Elementary Program
or
 - the Progressive Program at Wickliffe.
- Barrington families have the choice of Progressive Program at Barrington

- **Open enrollment**

- *For families who want to be considered for a school outside their attendance area.*
- Information for [Open Enrollment](#) is on our district website
 - Register for your homeschool during the registration window.
 - Applications for open enrollment open February 17, 2026, and are accepted until April 15, 2026.
 - Decisions made based upon enrollment numbers in specific grades.
 - Parents are responsible for transportation.



Other items to consider...

- **School hours**
 - 8:15 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.
- **First day of school**
 - August 12th and 13th, are “Getting To Know You Days” (Your child’s first day will be emailed to you with teacher placement in early August).
 - Full school year calendar is available on our website at www.uaschools.org/calendars.aspx.
- **Special health concerns for your child?**
 - Please do not hesitate to contact our nurses.
 - Contact information is on our school website.
- **Kindergarten screening will take place in early August**
 - Your principal will reach out with more details about kindergarten screenings



SACC (School-Age Child Care)

- The [SACC program](#) is designed to be a link between school and home for elementary students in Upper Arlington School District.
- Hours of operation are from 7:00-8:00am and 2:50-6:00 p.m. on school days.
- Tuition rates are available on our website at <https://www.uaschools.org/departments/school-age-child-care>

**REGISTRATION FOR ALL FAMILIES BEGINS ON MONDAY, March 30th
THROUGH FRIDAY, APRIL 10TH.**

Questions: Contact the SACC office at 614-487-5133



Kindergarten Screening Process



Kindergarten Screening

- Our kindergarten screenings will be held in August, prior to school starting.
 - Your child's principal will contact you with more information.
 - Screenings we will be conducted by a team of educators.
 - Kindergarten teacher placement will be sent to families after screening
- Our nurses may complete vision and hearing screenings.
- Our SLPs will complete a speech screening.
- The goal of kindergarten screening is to provide academic, physical, social and emotional information about each student to the school team to create balanced classes. This information will also be used as baseline data to help support our instruction.



Instructional Programs



Wickliffe Progressive

- Wickliffe is **a choice school** for families living in the Greensview, Windermere and Tremont attendance areas.
- Wickliffe was founded in 1972 by a group of educators, parents and OSU professors who were committed to a common educational philosophy reflected through the practices of progressive education.
- Our daily teaching practices are guided by the [Ten Foundational Principles of Progressive Education](#).
- Wickliffe Kindergarten Information Night — Thursday, February 12th at 6:30 p.m.



Elementary Explorations

- Elementary Explorations is a districtwide program that provides all elementary students with opportunities to engage and explore cross-curricular content, creating engaged learners through whole child, project-based learning. Each grade level engages in Elementary Explorations once every two weeks for about 60 to 75 minutes, following the rotating A-E schedule.
- For more information about Elementary Explorations, please visit our [website](#).



Multiple Tiered Systems of Supports (MTSS)

- MTSS is a systematic and collaborative team process that is responsive to meet the needs of all students through differentiated and individualized instruction with a focus on the whole child including academic, behavioral and social/emotional needs. MTSS uses a four-tiered approach to identifying students' academic, social and emotional needs.
- The Upper Arlington Schools' MTSS framework will help achieve our vision of challenging and supporting every student every step of the way.
- For more information about what MTSS looks like in practice, please visit our [website](#).



School Counselor Information



Katie Widing and Jean Allocco

Follow the ASCA Model and Align with Strategic Plan

Tier 1 support through classroom lessons in the 3 domains:
academic, social/emotional and career

Tier 2 support through groups and individual counseling and responsive services

Collaborate with staff and community resources

Consult with parents, colleagues and community agencies



Nurse Information



Welcome to Tremont Elementary School Health Clinic

Dawn Piccinich RN BSN LSN Licensed School Nurse

A Registered Nurse is here for you and your student whenever school is in session. We are available to administer first aid treatment for injuries, administer medication as needed and perform other medical procedures. We will evaluate symptoms of illness or injury of the students and recommend appropriate treatment. Our goal is to provide a healthy environment for optimal learning.

- All day Kindergarten makes for a long day. It is important that all Kindergarten students have a change of clothing in their cubby here at school for possible needs.
- The State of Ohio requires that all immunizations are up to date by the first day of school. If you need help with this please contact me.

Please contact the health Clinic with any medical needs that your student might have.

Our Clinic phone number is 614-487-5170 ex 6003

Email is Tremonthhealthclinic@uaschools.org



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SAFETY TOWN

**REGISTRATION
OPENS SOON!**



Upper Arlington Safety Town, presented by the Upper Arlington Police Division, is a hands-on summer program for preschool-aged children focused on learning essential safety skills. Held at a local elementary school, kids explore pedestrian and traffic safety by riding tricycles through a miniature village, while also learning about fire prevention, bus safety, water safety, personal safety, and more—all in a fun, supportive environment.



PTO information



WHO WE ARE

The Tremont PTO is made up of parent volunteers that helps plan, fund, execute and staff nearly all non-classroom events, programs and support at Tremont.

OUR FUNDRAISERS

As a Non-profit we rely solely on the money raised through fundraising to provide the support necessary for all PTO led initiatives.

Major fundraisers:

- Sponsorships
- Walkathon
- Tremont Auction & Social

Minor Fundraiser:

- Retail Rewards Program
- Spiritwear
- Dine & Donate

WHAT WE SUPPORT

The PTO provides coordination, support and/or funding for:

- Fundraising Events (Walkathon, Auction, Social etc.)
- After School Enrichment Programs
- School Events (Frosty's Funhouse, 4th Grade Gallery, Bookfair, Class Parties, Field Day, etc.)
- Family Events (Ice Cream Social, Fall Fest, Cake Bingo)
- Teacher Support (Teacher Appreciation Week, Stipends, Retirement Gifts)
- Teacher Grants
- PTO Managed Fees (School Supplies, Activity/Transportation Fees)

LEARN MORE AT: TremontPTO.org



SUPPORT THE PTO

We believe every family has something to offer. Whether you donate your time, talents or funds; every bit of your support helps us create a stronger school community.

VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME

Volunteering at Tremont has never been easier! Explore the current volunteer opportunities on our website.

- School Volunteers (Cafeteria, Walking Club, Room)
- Event Volunteers
- PTO Committee Chair Positions
- PTO Board Positions

SUPPORT US FINANCIALLY

Whether you're a local business, a proud Tremont family, or a community supporter, there's a place for you in our Tremont Lion Pride. Every dollar you give directly strengthens our school community.

- Individual Donations
- Sponsorships
- Fundraising Drives

LEARN MORE AT: TremontPTO.org



Learn More at TremontPTO.org



Our website is your one stop for all things Tremont related! Subscribe to our school calendars, stay up to date on news and events, pay fees, access extracurriculars, volunteer, and donate all in one place!



Self-Guided Tour



EXAMPLE



Questions?

- [About Kindergarten Readiness](#)
- [District Frequently Asked Questions](#)
 - **Lunch, SACC, Busing, etc**





Thank you