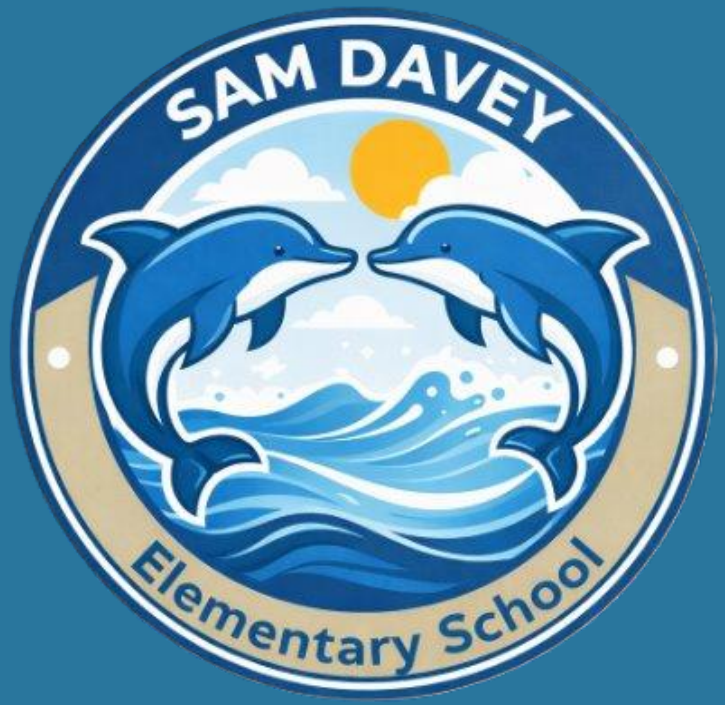
Kindergarten Orientation
2026-2027 School Year



Welcome Class of 2039 Families












Ashley Hensley
Principal

Jean Derfus
School Secretary

Ann Bundgaard
Kindergarten Teacher

Krista Christianson
Kindergarten Teacher

Shelly Voegeli
School Counselor

Grace Baumgartner
School Counselor

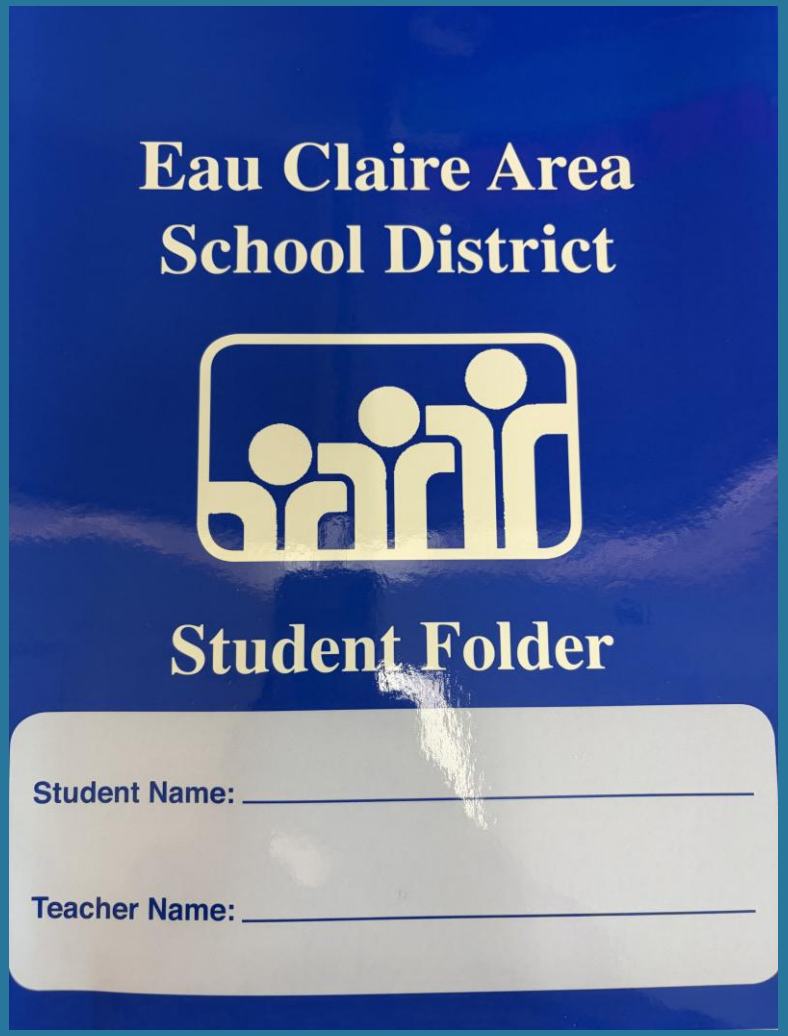
Makenzie Gehrman
School Social Worker

Heather Glaser
K-1 Special Ed Teacher

SAM DAVEY
Elementary School

School & Family Communication

- PTA uses Facebook to communicate with families. Please be sure to find their page! They also developed a website full of information.
- Monthly Newsletters from Davey are sent via Parent Square.
- Classrooms also use Parent Square as well as traditional paper newsletters.
- Blue folders should come home and be returned to school nightly.



SAM DAVEY
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Family Handbook

- District Family Handbook

- Sam Davey Family Handbook
  - Handbook Link





SAM DAVEY
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Davey Pledge: The 4 B's

At Sam Davey Elementary School we will be safe, be respectful, be responsible and be kind. We will do our best and have fun!



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Positive Behavior Intervention & Supports (PBIS)

We acknowledge when students follow school expectations through:

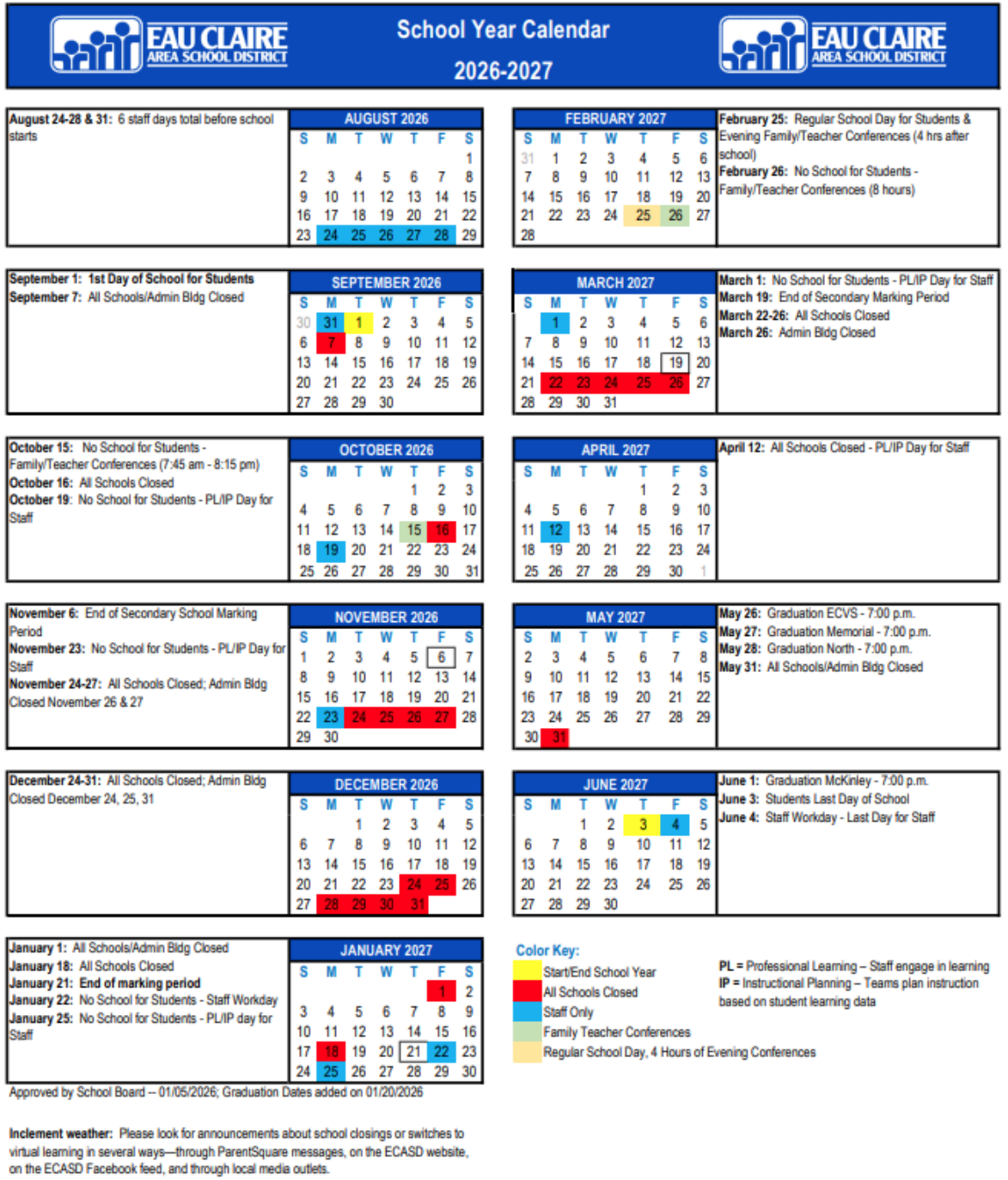
- Dolphin Hand Stamps
- Fintastics
- Splash Awards
- Schoolwide Celebrations



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School Calendar

- Found on ECASD website under “District Calendars”
- Important Dates to start the year:
  - September 2nd - "Welcome Back Day": visit your classroom and teacher and drop off supplies. Students leave with family.
  - September 3rd – Student with Last Name starting with A-K.
  - September 4th - Student with Last Name starting with L-Z.
  - Thursday, September 5th- All Kindergartners Attend



EAU CLAIRE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Year Calendar

2026-2027

August 24-28 & 31: 6 staff days total before school starts

AUGUST 2026

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

September 1: 1st Day of School for Students
September 7: All Schools/Admin Bldg Closed

SEPTEMBER 2026

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

October 15: No School for Students - Family/Teacher Conferences (7:45 am - 8:15 pm)
October 16: All Schools Closed
October 19: No School for Students - PL/IP Day for Staff

OCTOBER 2026

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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

November 6: End of Secondary School Marking Period
November 23: No School for Students - PL/IP Day for Staff
November 24-27: All Schools Closed; Admin Bldg Closed November 26 & 27

NOVEMBER 2026

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

December 24-31: All Schools Closed; Admin Bldg Closed December 24, 25, 31

DECEMBER 2026

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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

January 1: All Schools/Admin Bldg Closed
January 18: All Schools Closed
January 21: End of marking period
January 22: No School for Students - Staff Workday
January 25: No School for Students - PL/IP day for Staff

JANUARY 2027

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Approved by School Board – 01/05/2026; Graduation Dates added on 01/20/2026

Inclement weather: Please look for announcements about school closings or switches to virtual learning in several ways—through ParentSquare messages, on the ECASD website, on the ECASD Facebook feed, and through local media outlets.

FEBRUARY 2027

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28						

February 25: Regular School Day for Students & Evening Family/Teacher Conferences (4 hrs after school)
February 26: No School for Students - Family/Teacher Conferences (8 hours)

MARCH 2027

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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

March 1: No School for Students - PL/IP Day for Staff
March 19: End of Secondary Marking Period
March 22-26: All Schools Closed
March 26: Admin Bldg Closed

APRIL 2027

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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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April 12: All Schools Closed - PL/IP Day for Staff

MAY 2027

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May 26: Graduation ECVS - 7:00 p.m.
May 27: Graduation Memorial - 7:00 p.m.
May 28: Graduation North - 7:00 p.m.
May 31: All Schools/Admin Bldg Closed

JUNE 2027

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June 1: Graduation McKinley - 7:00 p.m.
June 3: Students Last Day of School
June 4: Staff Workday - Last Day for Staff

Color Key:

- Start/End School Year
- All Schools Closed
- Staff Only
- Family Teacher Conferences
- Regular School Day, 4 Hours of Evening Conferences

PL = Professional Learning – Staff engage in learning
IP = Instructional Planning – Teams plan instruction based on student learning data

MAPE Calendar

- Student rotate between Art, Music, and PE. You will get information from the classroom teacher to let you know which class your student has on which day.
    - Students can leave a pair of athletic shoes at school for PE or you can use the calendar to make sure they have appropriate footwear on PE days.



2026-27 Elementary Art, Music and Physical Education: A-B-C Schedule

= All Schools Closed | = Staff Only Days | = Start/End School Year

SEPTEMBER '26

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	31	1	2 A	3 B	4 C	5
6	7	8 A	9 B	10 C	11 A	12
13	14 B	15 C	16 A	17 B	18 C	19
20	21 A	22 B	23 C	24 A	25 B	26
27	28 C	29 A	30 B			

OCTOBER '26

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1 C	2 A	3
4	5 B	6 C	7 A	8 B	9 C	10
11	12 A	13 B	14 C	15	16	17
18	19	20 A	21 B	22 C	23 A	24
25	26 B	27 C	28 A	29 B	30 C	31

NOVEMBER '26

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2 A	3 B	4 C	5 A	6 B	7
8	9 C	10 A	11 B	12 C	13 A	14
15	16 B	17 C	18 A	19 B	20 C	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 A					

DECEMBER '26

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1 B	2 C	3 A	4 B	5
6	7 C	8 A	9 B	10 C	11 A	12
13	14 B	15 C	16 A	17 B	18 C	19
20	21 A	22 B	23 C	24	25	26
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JANUARY '27

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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24	25	26 B	27 C	28 A	29 B	30
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FEBRUARY '27

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14	15 A	16 B	17 C	18 A	19 B	20
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MARCH '27

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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7	8 B	9 C	10 A	11 B	12 C	13
14	15 A	16 B	17 C	18 A	19 B	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 C	30 A	31 B			

APRIL '27

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11	12	13 A	14 B	15 C	16 A	17
18	19 B	20 C	21 A	22 B	23 C	24
25	26 A	27 B	28 C	29 A	30 B	

MAY '27

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16	17 A	18 B	19 C	20 A	21 B	22
23	24 C	25 A	26 B	27 C	28 A	29
30	31					

JUNE '27

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Points to Consider:

- If school is canceled due to inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances, the A-B-C calendar will continue as scheduled.
- Each building may choose to develop a modified schedule that could be used on days when school is delayed in starting or released early due to inclement weather.

Health Items



We have a school medical assistant that is here full time and a school nurse that is shared with other schools.

If you have any questions about the following or need more information, please let Mrs. Derfus know:

- State Required Immunizations
- Daily Medications/As needed medications
- Health Conditions/Plans
  - severe allergy
  - Seizures
  - asthma

Start of the School Year

- Class Lists (teacher assignment) comes out in late August. You will receive a ParentSquare when this happens and can log into Infinite Campus to see who your student's teacher is.

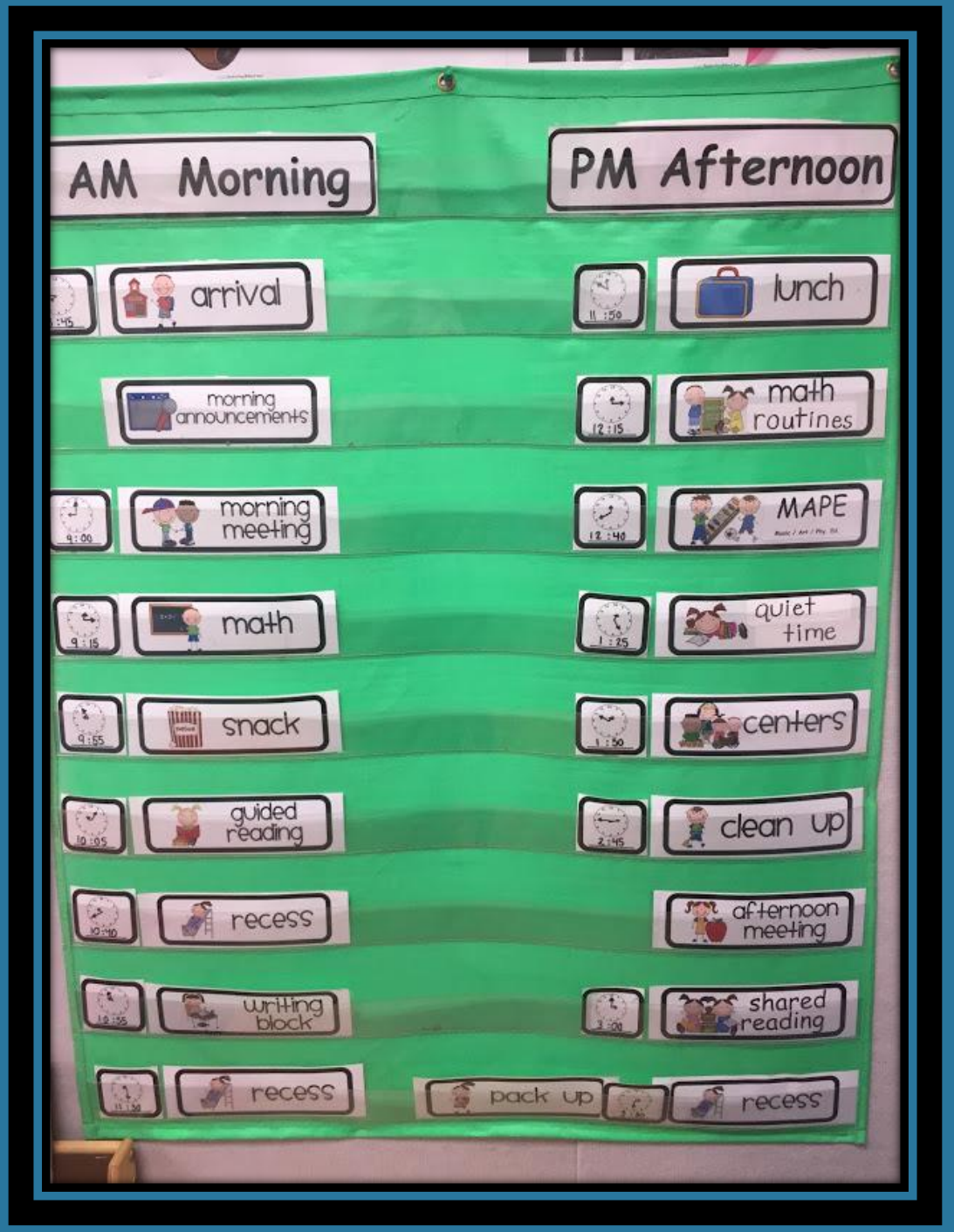
    - Through the first few weeks of the school year we assess and adjust class lists as needed. Our goal is to have balanced classrooms, meeting all students' needs. You will be contacted individually if there is a potential change for your student.

Schedule

- 8:25 Building & Playground Open
  - Students can be dropped off at the playground or along Eddy Lane at sidewalk for breakfast / recess
- 8:40 School Bell rings
- 3:40 Dismissal

  Students wait in bus line or get picked up on the playground

  *See our Family Handbook for information about drop off & pick up procedures



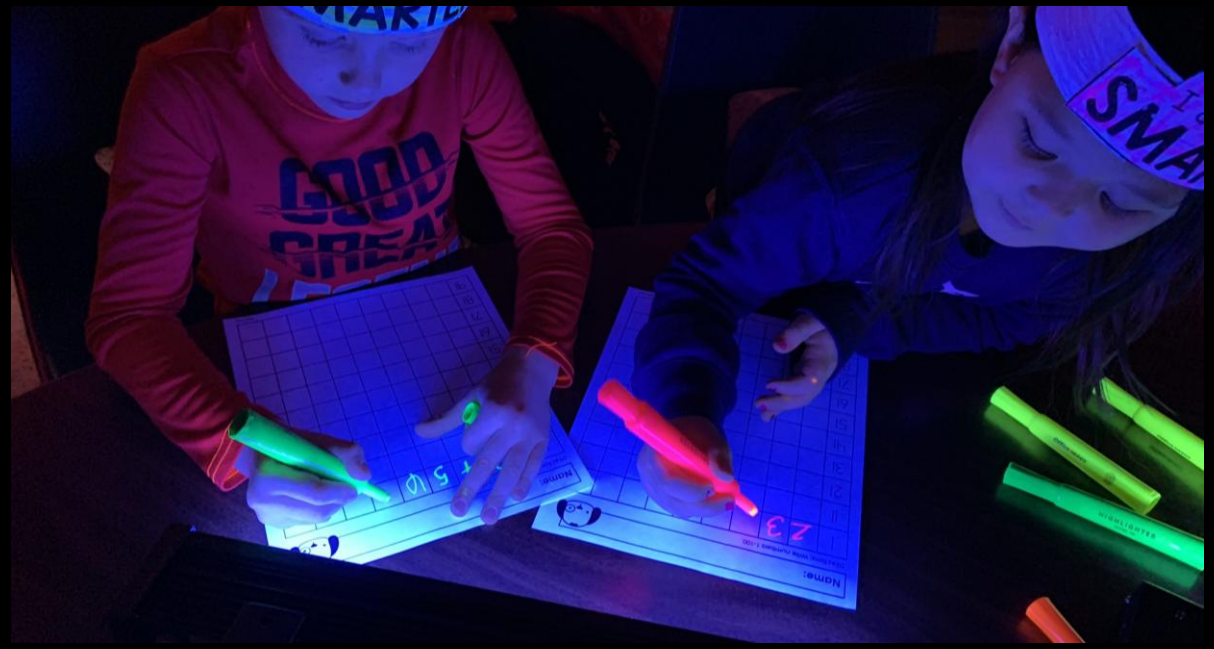
Schedule- Extra Information

- We kindly ask that parents/guardians send a snack with their child each day for school along with a filled water bottle.
- MAPEL stands for Music, Art, Phy. Ed, Library. Students rotate through Music, Art, and PE, and have Library once a week.
- Students go outside for recess daily and work toward dressing themselves independently. It is never a bad idea to practice with your student on getting cold weather gear on and tying their shoes.








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KANE


BE YOU




Room on the Broom





Preparing for Kindergarten

Here are some things you can practice over the summer to be ready for a successful start to the year:

- politeness, patience, and waiting your turn when needing help from an adult
- zipping, buttoning, tying shoes independently.
- zipping and putting items inside a backpack independently
- writing your name independently--Capital letter first, then lowercase
- listening quietly to a story and comprehension (answering questions about the story)
- fine motor skills such as playing with playdough, cutting paper, and coloring.
- pincher skills by using clothespins or tongs to pick up things (pom poms, beads, cotton balls)

Preparing for Kindergarten

Consider being mindful of screen time, especially as the start of the school year approaches:

- For children 2-5, limit non-educational screen time to about 1 hour per weekday and 3 hours on the weekend days.
- For ages 6 and older, encourage healthy habits and limit activities that include screens.
- Turn off all screens during family meals and outings.
- Learn about and use parental controls.
- Avoid using screens as pacifiers, babysitters, or to stop tantrums.
- Turn off screens and remove them from bedrooms 30-60 minutes before bedtime.

* **From The American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry**

PTA

- Funds extra field trips, book vending machine, classroom requests, and more!

Ways to Help

- Christmas with Santa
- Staff meals during conferences
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- End of the Year Carnival
- Family Nights
- Restaurant (DQ) Nights

Email: samdaveypta@gmail.com



Before You Leave...

- Please complete the papers in your folders
  - Yellow Personal Information
  - Blue Parent's Report to Kindergarten
  - Volunteer Agreement
- Choose a book for your child off the cart!

Questions? We're here to help!



We can't wait to meet you and look forward to a great school year.