



WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

2026 - 2027

Kindergarten Teachers

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Drop Off & Pick Up

MORNING TIMES

School Starts at 8:15 AM

First bell rings at 8:12 AM. Please ensure students arrive on time.

Breakfast Service

Service begins daily at 7:40 AM.

** Note: Students may not arrive earlier than 7:40 AM.*

GATE & SAFETY

Standard Arrival: 8:00 AM

For students who are not eating breakfast at school.

Location: Gate A

All drop-off and pick-up activities occur exclusively at Gate A.

Hand to Hand Pick Up

Required for all students to ensure safe dismissal.

Parking Guidelines

RESERVED LOT

No Parking or Drive-Through

Please do not park in or drive through the small parking lot next to the Kinder building.

This area is reserved **exclusively** for school buses and daycare vans to ensure the safe arrival and dismissal of our students.

GUIDELINES

1. Street Parking

Park on the street and please be mindful of our neighbors.

2. Walk Your Child

Walk your child to line and stay with them until teachers pick up.

3. Protect the Grass

No playing or running on the grass before school.



Schedule and Safety

EARLY RELEASE

Thursday Release Time

Every Thursday release time is **1:15 PM**.

August 7 - 21 Schedule

Early release at **1:21 PM** on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday (M/T/W/F).

CLOSED CAMPUS

Secured Campus Hours

The campus is closed and secured daily from **7:30 AM - 4:30 PM**.

Visitor Check-In

For safety, all visitors **must check-in** at the front office upon arrival.



Free Breakfast & Lunch

FREE MEALS

School Breakfast & Lunch

Meals are provided free of charge to **all students**.

Breakfast Schedule

Served daily in the cafeteria from **7:40 AM - 8:15 AM**.

Kindergarten Transition

Yard Supervisors will safely walk Kindergarten students to their classrooms when finished.

SCHOOL MENUS

Online Menu Access

The current breakfast and lunch menus are fully accessible on the school website.

How to Find the Link

Visit the Gold Ridge homepage and click the **School Menus** link. You can find this by scrolling down under the "Information & Resources" section.



Snack & Water Bottles

DAILY SNACKS

Two Snacks Required

Please pack **two healthy snacks** (one for the morning and one for the afternoon) in your child's lunchbox daily.

WATER BOTTLES

Preferred But Not Required

Water bottles are highly recommended. We have **water fountains & refill stations** available on campus.

Close Top Only

Please ensure bottles have a **close top** to prevent spills. No Stanley-style cups allowed.



Bathrooms

FACILITIES

Classroom Bathrooms

Equipped with a single toilet for quick and convenient access during class time.

Schoolwide Bathrooms

Features private stalls, with additional urinals available in the boy's bathroom.

HOME PREP

Practice Procedures

Please review and practice proper bathroom procedures with your child at home.

Change of Clothes

Kindly send a **complete change of clothes** in the provided Ziploc bag to keep at school.



S.O.A.R.

“Be a learning buddy - help, don’t hinder”



Self-Control

Manage your actions, words, and feelings.



On Task

Stay focused and complete your daily learning.



Achievement

Work hard and always do your personal best.



Respect

Be kind, helpful, and polite to everyone.

Note: S.O.A.R Assemblies occur quarterly throughout the year.



Behavior Plan

1 Redirect

2 Sideline

3 Think Sheet

4 Phone call home

Note: Rules are in place to ensure every student has the opportunity to learn in a safe and respectful environment.

_____'s Think Sheet			
I chose to			
 distract others	 scream	 throw things in the classroom	 use bad words
 not worry about myself	 not clean up when I am supposed to	 yell out	 not use school supplies correctly
Next time, a better choice would be to			
 focus on my work	 use a quiet voice	 control my actions	 use nice words
 worry about myself	 help clean up	 raise my hand to talk	 show ownership of classroom materials
Student's Signature: _____			
Parent's Signature: _____			

Curriculum & Progress



Curriculum

Please look in your folder for detailed descriptions of our state standards and curriculum.



Assessment

Also included is a list and description of assessments given throughout the school year.



Report Cards

Report cards are finalized and given out 3 times throughout the year.

Wednesday Folders



“Take Home” Side

Should be reviewed and kept at home.

(Feel free to recycle!)



“Bring Back” Side

Should be completed and returned to school ASAP!



Folders are sent home every **Wednesday**.
Please return them to school on **Thursday**.

Handbook & P.E.



Student Handbook

We ask that you read through the [Student/Parent Handbook](#) for vital information and reminders about our school policies that may not be in this presentation.



P.E. Requirements

P.E. day and time TBD

Closed toe play shoes required every day!

Birthdays



Birthday Treats

One individual packaged snack or non-food item.

No homemade treats, full cakes, cupcakes, goodie bags, or balloons.



Invitations

Birthday invitations will **not** be passed out in the classroom.

They will be sent back home.



Birthday treats will be shared at **morning snack recess**.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!



ATTENDANCE MATTERS:

- Attendance is the #1 sign a student will graduate.
- Kids who miss 9+ days are 2x more likely to drop out.
- If your family is facing challenges, let's meet and make a plan to support your student.

REMINDERS:

- Vacations and trips should be scheduled outside of the school year. There are more non-school days than school days in a year!
- Parent-Excused Absences: You have 10 days per year for health reasons (mental or physical). After that, we need a doctor's note.

MISSED DAYS ADD UP:

- Being 20 minutes late per day = 2.5 weeks missed each year
- Missing 1 day every 2 weeks = 4 weeks missed each year

WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

- Talk to your teacher, principal, or front office anytime. Let's work together!
- Please report every absence to the front office.

Independent Study



3+ Days Missed

If your child is going to miss **3 or more days** of school for vacation...

You may request Independent Study for a **MAXIMUM of 14 days** per school year.



2 Weeks Notice

Requests **MUST** be submitted at least 2 weeks in advance.

If notice is not given, work will not be provided and absences will be unexcused. No exceptions.



First Day Return

Completed work **MUST** be turned in on the first day back.

All assigned work must be submitted immediately upon return to count towards school attendance.



Parent Volunteers



Clearance

If you would like to volunteer in the classroom or on field trips, you **must** be cleared through our district.



Application

Click [here](#) for volunteer guidelines and to access the online application.



Start Early

This process can take a while so we **recommend starting soon**, if interested.



Parent Square



Main Portal

This year we will be using **Parent Square** as our main form of communication.

Connecting teachers, principals, schools, and the district together.



Key Features

We can send group and individual **messages**, post school **pictures**, and coordinate **sign-ups** easily through the app.



Get Started

Please be sure to **login** to Parent Square and create a profile.

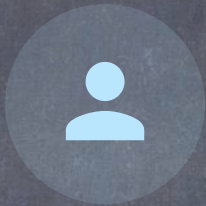
Setting up your account ensures you never miss important classroom updates.

Handle With Care



If your family is experiencing difficulties at home, I would like to provide additional support at school. I understand that you are not always able to share details and that's okay. If your child is coming to school after a difficult night, morning, or weekend, please email me "handle with care." Nothing else will need to be said or asked unless you are willing. This will let me know that your child may need extra time, patience, or love during the day.

Contact Information



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Office Hours

**Mon - Fri
7:45am - 3:30pm**

Messages outside these hours will be answered within 48 hours or the next business day.