



Verona Area First Five Year September Newsletter

Happy first week of 4K! This is a transition time for students and families. Big transitions for young children usually take 6 to 8 weeks. Be patient, communicate with your child's teacher and know this is normal. VAFFY Play Groups will start Monday, September 14, 2026. A list of VAFFY events will be found on the website in the next few weeks. Our first event will be the Wonders of Science at Stoner Prairie Elementary School on Tuesday, October 6, 2026 from 6:30-7:30pm. Our [VAFFY website](#) is a great way to stay connected with upcoming events and resources.



Pyramid Model

Social/Emotional Tip of the Month

The children will be learning about the expectations and rules in their classrooms. Students thrive when they know what to do. We spend time at the beginning of the year teaching students what it should look like, feel like and sound like in the classroom. Ask your child how they stay safe. These are some resources to create rules in the home:

[Rules at Home Tip Sheet](#)



Please remember 4K is Tuesday through Friday. No school on Mondays. We are still working on 4K transportation and getting the routes updated. Over the next few weeks the routes should be more established with more consistent times. Thank you for your patience.

[4K Family Calendar](#)

Family Engagement

VAFFY Play Group

Play group featuring circle time, open play; ages 0-5

Day: Mondays during the school year

Time: 9:30am-10:30am or 5-6pm

Location: Sugar Creek Elementary (740 N Main St, Verona, WI 53593)

Contact: Jennifer Larson (Skibba) at 608-712-9697

Begins Monday after Labor Day in September

VAFFY Bilingual Play Group

Play group featuring circle time and open play; ages 0-5

Day: Mondays during the school year

Time: 9:30-10:30am (English) or 11:00-12:00am (Spanish)

Location: Boys & Girls Club of Dane County (4619 Jenewein Road, Fitchburg, WI 5371)

Contact: Gennine Castaneda-Butch at 608-712-7222

Begins Monday after Labor Day in September



Community Resources

[Your Voice Matters](#)

Join the VAFFY Family Council and shape the future of early childhood in your community.

Who we are looking for:

- Families with children ages birth through five
- Community members that care about children

Come tell us your ideas and be part of the planning:

- VAFFY Play Groups and Open Gym
- 4K programs and child care
- Family outreach and child development
- Verona Area Kids Expo and much more



The Commitment

- **When:** Once a month (during the school year) on the second Thursday, 7:30–8:30 pm
- **Format:** Virtual using Google Meet
- **Ask:** One hour per month

Please fill out the [VAFFY Family Council link](#) to join or scan the QR code.

