



July 2024

Dear Kindergarten Family,

The first day of Kindergarten is fast approaching. We would like to outline some of the expectations for the first week of school.

Upon arrival to the St. John campus, please have your child line up at 8:15am with his/her homeroom class on the playground. Teachers will meet the lines each morning and walk the students into the classroom. Parents are welcome to join the procession into the classroom on the first day.

**Kindergarten students will be dismissed at noon the first day of instruction, Tuesday, September 3, and will continue with noon dismissal on September 4, 5 and 6.** Your child will begin a full-day schedule on Monday, September 9, including Physical Education, Spanish, Music, Art and Library. Kindergarten students will be dismissed at 3pm each day starting Monday, September 9. Please let your student's teacher know if someone other than you will be picking up your child so teachers can ensure your child's safety. Students attending Extended Day Care after school are escorted by their XDC leaders from the classroom.

Please provide a snack for your child every day, starting Tuesday, September 3. Pack this snack separately from their lunch in their backpack. Do note: the kindergarten classes are nut-free. Hot Lunch service will start Monday, September 9. Ordering information will be announced in August. Students should bring labeled water bottles to the classroom to have during class time. Students take bottles home at the end of each week.

Please note the following:

- Thursday, 8/29: Student Drop In Day. Meet the teachers and drop off supplies, 1-3pm, XDC is not in session.
- Tuesday, 9/3: First Day of School and Coffee in the Courtyard for parents, 8:15am, Slow Start, Dismissal Noon
- Wednesday, 9/4; Thursday, 9/5; and Friday, 9/6: Slow Start Schedule for Kindergarten Students, 8:15am-Noon
- Friday, 9/6: Back to School BBQ, Playground, 6pm
- Monday, 9/9: Begin Full Day Schedule, 8:15-3pm; Hot Lunch service begins.
- Friday, 9/20: Jog-a-thon
- Thursday, 9/26: Curriculum Night, Grades K-5, Church, 6:30pm
- If your child is absent for any reason – illness, vacation, appointments, et. – inform the school via [attendance](#).

We look forward to seeing you on campus in late August, and we invite you to join us at any of the [Summer 2024 Playdates](#).

Sincerely,  
Abby Mansfield  
Principal