



July 1, 2025

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 at the St. John campus, please have your child line up at 8:15am with their 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 on the first day of instruction, Tuesday, September 2. Your child will begin a full-day schedule on Wednesday, September 3, including Physical Education, Spanish, Music, Art, and Library, with dismissal at 3pm. 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 2. Pack this snack separately from their lunch in their backpack. Do note: the kindergarten classes are nut-free. Hot Lunch service will start on Monday, September 8. Ordering information will be announced in August. Students should bring labeled water bottles to the classroom to have throughout the school day. Students take bottles home at the end of each week.

Please note the following:

- Thursday, 8/28: Student Drop-In Day. Meet the teachers and drop off supplies, 1-3pm, XDC is not in session.
- Tuesday, 9/2: First Day of School and Coffee in the Courtyard for parents, 8:15am, Dismissal Noon
- Wednesday, 9/3: Full day schedule begins, 8:15am-3pm
- Friday, 9/5: Back to School BBQ, Playground, 6pm (look for ticket information in August)
- Monday, 9/8: Hot Lunch service begins
- Friday, 9/19: Jog-a-thon
- Thursday, 9/25: Curriculum Night, Grades K-5, Church, 6:30pm

We look forward to seeing you on campus in late August, and we invite you to join us at any of the [Summer 2025 Playdates](#).

Sincerely,
Abby Mansfield
Principal