

Dear Jacobson Families,

Hello and welcome to Kindergarten! I am very excited to begin this year with you and your child. My name is Mrs. Thompson and I will be your child's teacher!

This year, we have many new adventures to embark upon. We will be investigating scientific discoveries, manipulating mathematical concepts, creating a variety of projects, and most importantly, learning to read. Through literacy, our class will journey to different lands, learn about different cultures, and travel along with colorful characters. Reading is vital to our children's success, and this year is the beginning of this great adventure of your child's academic career.

Academics however, are not the only important aspect we will focus on this year. Together we will create a loving and caring classroom, built on mutual respect and responsibility, both virtually and in-person. Each child is unique and has something special to offer our class—it will be wonderful getting to know each other!

Our year will begin virtually with the following schedule.

Daily Kindergarten Virtual Schedule	
8:30 - 8:55	Welcome, Attendance, Pledge Morning Meeting (Social Emotional Learning) LIVE
8:55 - 9:25	Language Arts LIVE
9:25 - 9:35	Brain Break
9:35 - 9:55	Literacy Centers (pre-recorded, independent activity/link)
9:55 - 10:30	Writing LIVE
10:35 - 10:55	Read Aloud LIVE
11:00 - 11:15	Specials P.E., music, technology, library Live
11:20 - 11:50	Lunch
11:55 - 12:30	Math LIVE
12:30 - 1:00	Choice Board/Independent Practice
1:00 - 1:30	Recess (Go Noodle) or just a break...
1:30 - 2:10	Science/Social Studies (pre-recorded, links, home projects)
2:10 - 3:00	Independent Work Time

We as teachers created this schedule, this is only a suggested schedule for each school day. Please keep in mind that for "Live" instruction and group meets will be during the denoted "live" times on the schedule each morning. We as parents, understand that sometimes your child may not be able to access the "live" instruction during the scheduled time and that's OK! All lessons from the live instructions/lessons will be posted in our Google Classroom each day for students to access. Whether they need a refresher, or if they are viewing instructions for the first time, it will be available for you to view.

We are offering two options for Meet the Teacher: **In-Person** or a **Virtual** meeting.

If you chose the In-person on Monday, August 3rd:

- 1) Follow the link to the Sign-Up Genius. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044FAEAA2CABFC1-kindergarten>
- 2) Choose the **In-person** option when signing up.
- 3) For **In-Person** review the safety expectations on the Sign-Up Genius.
- 4) Please arrive promptly for your meeting.

If you chose the Virtual Meeting on Monday August 3rd

- 1) Follow the link to the Sign-Up Genius.
- 2) Choose the **Virtual** option when signing up.
- 3) Please look for the link in your email a few minutes before the set meeting time.
- 4) Please log on promptly for your meeting with your child present for the meeting.

While working on-line your child will need to have materials & supplies handy to use during the lessons. Here is a **recommended** list of supplies for Kindergarten.

1 Primary Journal composition books (see picture) half picture space/half primary writing lines
(Available at Target, Walmart, or Staples)

Headphones (no earbuds)

Pencil Box with crayons, pencils, glue stick, scissors, dry erase marker, sock

Small items for counting (legos, beans, small toys, pennies, cereal)

I am looking forward to this amazing Kindergarten year with you and your child. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. The best way to reach me is via e-mail. My e-mail address is:

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Thompson