



John & Carol Carlson Elementary School

KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION SHEET

Welcome to Carlson Elementary School and to the exciting Kindergarten adventure! Kindergarten is going to be a lot of fun and we are so pleased to have you become a part of the "Carlson Family". The following information and description of Kindergarten events should help to ensure a smooth beginning for you and your child:

Kindergarten Registration begins Wednesday, January 8, 2020
at 9:00am in the Carlson Front Office

Age Requirement for Kindergarten:

All students must be five years old by August 31st, 2020 to enroll in a Chandler Unified School District Kindergarten

- CUSD Kindergarten Open House is Tuesday, January 14th at 5:30pm
- Carlson Kindergarten Orientation is Thursday, April 30th at 5:30pm
- KIST* testing is Monday, June 1st
- Meet the Teacher Night is Monday, July 20th
- The first day of school is Wednesday, July 22, 2020

*Upon successful registration, you will be asked to schedule a time for your child to participate in taking the KIST assessment. This process allows each child to meet with a teacher for approximately 20 minutes to determine the child's readiness for school.

*Look for an email from the Carlson registrar the week of May 4th with a Sign Up Genius link to register for the KIST test.

Visit the Carlson website at www.cusd80.com/Domain/4422 for school tour dates.

If you have any questions, or if we may be of assistance, please call 480.224.3800.



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Questions frequently asked by new Kindergarten parents

- **What time is school and how early can I drop off my child?** School begins at 8:30am and ends at 3:00pm. The warning bell rings at 8:25am but you may drop off your child beginning at 8:05am.
- **How is my child placed in a kindergarten class?** We do our best to balance each of our classes to have a balance of abilities, learning styles and gender.
- **Are buses available for kindergarten students?** Yes. Transportation is provided for kindergarten students who live over 1 mile from our school or who must cross a major street.
- **Is it possible to bring my child to school the first week and then switch to the bus or daycare?** Yes. Just let your child’s teacher and the office know of the change.
- **What about snacks for kindergarteners?** This is at the teacher’s discretion. Remember to make sure your child eats a good breakfast before coming to school.
- **What supplies does my child need the first day/first week?** We encourage all children to have a standard size backpack.
- **Does my child have any teacher other than his/her classroom teacher?** Yes, he/she will have other teachers for library, PE, and music. On a rotational basis.
- **How do I pick up my child at the end of the day?** Teachers walk their students to the kindergarten parent pick up area. Bus students are walked to the MPR holding area for bus loading. Kids Express students are escorted to room 38 for the after school program.