

WELCOME TO CARDINAL PACELLI SCHOOL

Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten Basics

Classroom Visits

The classroom will be open for students to visit on 8/29 & 8/30 from 9:30-11:30am.

On these days, your child is free to come in with you and explore the room and meet the teachers and some new friends. We highly encourage visiting one day to help with the transition to school the following week.

Start of School

In both the Preschool & PreK program, we have a staggered start, so your child's first day is decided by last name. Wednesday, August 31st will be the first day for children with last names A-M students. Thursday, September 1st will be the first day for children with last names N-Z.

- **8/31 First day of Preschool - 9:15-11:45 (Last name A-M & all M/W/F students), PreK - 7:50-11:00 (Last names A-M); No Enrichment.**
- **9/1 First day of Preschool - 9:15-11:45 (Last name N-Z & all T/TH), PreK - 7:50-11:00 (Last names N-Z); No Enrichment.**
- **9/2 All Preschool & PreK students at school on their regular schedule, No Enrichment.**
- **9/5 No School**
- **9/6 First regular schedule for Preschool & PreK (including PreK enrichment)**

Snack and Lunch

All PreK children (regardless of full/half day status) will have a daily snack provided by their parents. Each day, parents should send in a small, healthy (PEANUT FREE) snack and drink.

If your child is staying full day, he/she will have the option to purchase a hot lunch from school (\$3.50/meal & .50/milk) or bring a lunch from home. Lunch menus will be available at the start of the year, and we will ask parents to indicate each Monday which days (if any) their child will be buying a lunch. We will collect all lunch money for the week on Monday. Lunches can be paid or by cash or check (made payable to Lunches R Us).

Outside Play

Our class will go outside daily (weather permitting) to the preschool playground. Please make sure to dress your child appropriately for the weather each day, and we request that all children wear sneakers or closed toe shoes to school. Children will play in mulch and rocks each day, which is difficult with sandals or flip-flops. If sunscreen is required, please apply at home before school.

Forms

This email contains important documents that need to be returned to your child's teacher on or before the first day of school. You can return these forms, along with your supply fee, either during Back to School Sunday or on your child's First Day. All returning students must resubmit new forms (with exception of Baptismal and birth certificates). Please complete and turn in forms by Back to School Night on August 25th. These forms must be turned in before your child can begin preschool.

Forms included to be completed and returned are:

- Authorized Pick Up Form
- Medical Forms –
 - Medical Exam (Up-to-Date Immunization Records)
 - Medical Authorization (if medicine is required) (attached)
- Baptismal Certificate (if new to CPS)
- Birth Certificate (if new to CPS)
- Cardinal Pacelli Photo Release Form
- Student Information Form (Getting to know ME)
- Emergency Card Information

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

8/25: Preschool & PreK Information Night at 7pm (Parents Only)

8/29: Preschool Classroom Visit 9:30-11:30 am (Optional)

8/30: Preschool Classroom Visit 9:30-11:30 am (Optional)

8/31: Preschool & PreK 1st Day (see above for specific time/day)

9/1: Preschool & PreK 1st Day (see above for specific time/day)

9/2: ALL Preschool and PreK children begin (see above for specific time/day)