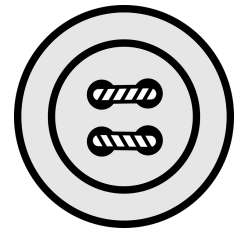




OPES 4K Cathcart's Cool Cats



Rocking in Our Learning Shoes!

August 26, 2022

We are so excited to bring the two halves of our class together starting on **Monday!** Please read the updates below and let me know if you have any questions about the changes.

- Full day school hours for 4K are **7:45am - 2:35pm.**
- All students are expected to be in the classroom **no later than 7:50am.**
- Students will need to be **dropped off in the car line at the front of the school. There will be no more drop off at our back door.** Students can be dropped off beginning at 7:15am. Teachers & administrators will be outside and in the hallways to supervise.
- Students need to get out of the car **independently from the passenger side.**
- See details in the next column about breakfast procedures.
- We will have a related arts class each day. Students will need to **wear tennis shoes on Monday & Thursday for PE.**
- We will serve an afternoon snack in our classroom each day. The snack will be provided. You do not need to send a snack for your child.
- **Please continue to send a filled water bottle each day.**
- Each student will need to choose a school lunch option OR bring lunch from home. We will make our lunch choices each morning when students arrive. The menu can be found on the district website under Student Nutrition.
- "Smile" sheets (behavior charts) will begin on Monday. Please remember to initial each night.
- We will have a short rest time after lunch each day. Please send rest mats on Monday if you have not already.

WELCOME TO OPES!

We are so excited to have our new school year underway! We are off to a great start! We have been busy learning our rules and routines. Everyone is adjusting well, and we are looking forward to a fabulous year with your child. Be sure to ask your child each day what he/she did at school. We are very busy! I hope you have heard your child mention Pete the Cat. You will hear a lot more about Pete in the coming days.

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

This year your child will be learning from the Big Day for PreK curriculum by Scholastic. Big Day embraces children's natural curiosity and encourages them to explore and connect to the world around them. It contains academic instruction in ELA, math and science, as well as activities to promote social-emotional and physical development. We have an extensive list of standards that we will be covering throughout the year. Check out my website for a complete list of standards.

BREAKFAST PROCEDURES

Beginning on Monday, 4K students who would like to eat breakfast at school will eat in the cafeteria **before** coming to the classroom. After students are dropped off in the car line, they will need to go directly to the cafeteria to eat breakfast. When they are finished eating, they will come down to our classroom. There are staff members in the cafeteria to help the children. Ms. Davis will be near the school entrance for the first few days to make sure our students know where to go if they need to eat breakfast. Please make sure your child is dropped off **no later than 7:30** if he/she plans to eat breakfast at school.