



PRESCHOOL PRESS

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Welcome to Preschool

Thank you for trusting us with your child's first educational experience. During this season of Covid-19 we promise to provide your child with a quality education while doing our best to keep them healthy and well. Our staff members are vaccinated, with some having already receiving their booster shot. Our community of teachers will be wearing masks during the school day, except while on the playground and during circle time. We have found that it is most helpful if the children can see our mouths while working on phonics and reading books.

The children will be socially distant from the teachers when their masks are removed. However, we need your help in keeping our student body healthy. If your child is sick, please keep them home. Our staff is trained in communicable disease prevention, but you are our first line of defense. Sick children should stay home for 48 hours after becoming symptom free regardless of the nature of the illness. We have partnered with Franklin County Board of Health for advise on handling cases of COVID-19. We will be following their direction as to what to do if we should have a case of COVID within the preschool. I have faith that we can do this if we all work together to keep the children healthy.

Sincerely,

Robin Ozbolt

Administrator

September Themes

Getting to Know You

Our Families

Sharing with Our Friends

The Letters in our Name

Farm Animals

Healthy Snacks

Johnny Appleseed

All About Me

Exploring Our Preschool

Our Pets

Fun with Names

Vegetables

Alphabet Soup

Walking to the ABC's

PARKING LOT SAFETY

It is imperative that all drivers within the HUMC Preschool parking lot abide by the following rules.

WE NEED EVERYONE TO BE SAFE!

- ⇒ Your foot should not be on the gas pedal when driving in the parking lot. A very slow coast is the safest speed to travel.
- ⇒ Refrain from cell phone use in the parking lot, whether you are walking with your child or driving your vehicle.
- ⇒ Do not park in the fire lane. The lane is designated for emergency vehicles only.
- ⇒ Follow the directional lines to ensure that traffic is flowing in a proper order.
- ⇒ When entering or exiting the playground, please, please, shut the gate.

A Few Fun Activities We Have Planned For This Year

- Bring the Farm to You will be bringing chicks to the preschool in October. Upon arrival the chicks will still be in the incubation process, and will hatch while at the preschool. The chicks will be with us for about 2 weeks.
 - School Photos will be in October
- Bring the Farm to You will also be here in May, with all their farm animals to see and pet.

We hope to add a slew of other activities, but are proceeding with caution due to COVID-19.

GOOD BAG IDEAS

Many of you asked during conferences if you could bring in something to celebrate your child's birthday. Since we are not serving snacks and do not want you to bring food from home, we have come up with a short list of ideas for you. Bringing in a treat for birthdays is not a requirement, and please do not feel as though this is something that you must do. We are simply providing suggestions for those of you that asked for ideas.

Bubbles	Small containers of Play-doh	Stickers
Sunglasses	Matchbox cars	Small containers of slime
Stamps	Superhero bracelets	Small balls
Small Craft Kits	Dinosaurs	Crayons with small coloring books
Glow in the dark bracelets	Donate a book to the classroom	

STAFF EMAILS

Our experienced staff will do their very best to make you and your child feel at home. Our doors are always open to any questions or concerns that you might have throughout the year. Teachers are available via phone and/or email.

The following is a list of our staff emails.

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