

Welcome to Kindergarten!

Class of 2034



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Thank you for joining us!

Kindergarten Teachers presenting this evening:

Mrs. Hong

Mrs. McCarthy

Mrs. Osmonson



Assistant Principal: Stephanie Kirkpatrick

Everett Ready August 2021

A Transition into Kindergarten...

Monday, August 23 through Friday, August 27

at Penny Creek 9:15-12:15

- Transportation provided
 - bus routes/stop will be sent in early August
- Centers based learning activities in small groups
- Students will be working with some of the Kindergarten & other Penny Creek teachers
- Snack will be provided but there will be no breakfast or lunch served

Families First

- Family Connection Meetings- **with the parents/guardians, Kindergarten student & assigned Kindergarten teacher**
- These are scheduled during the first 3 days of school, when 1st-5th grade students begin school. Kindergarten students start in class on the following Monday.
- Appointments will be scheduled with families in August- look for a Sign-Up Genius in late August from your child's teacher.
- These 20-30 minute meetings are to welcome families, show the classroom to your student, and teacher will ask questions to get to know your student and your family. Examples: What preschool experience did your child have? What languages are spoken at home? When your child becomes frustrated or upset, what is the best way to calm him/her down? Any food allergies?



EPS 21st Century Skills

*monitored on Progress Reports throughout Elementary School

- Citizenship
- Collaboration
- Communication
- Creativity
- Critical Thinking
- Growth Mindset



Penny Creek P.R.I.D.E.

- **P**-Be a Problem Solver
- **R**-Be Respectful
- **I**-Be In Control & Safe
- **D**-Do Your Best
- **E**-Everyone Cares



Social skills

- Following routines
- Sharing
- Helping others
- Recognizing feelings
- Understanding emotions
- Managing self
- Problem solving
- Interacting with children and adults
- Taking on challenging tasks



Plan-Do-Reflect

Learning through intentional choice, action and reflection

Students

- Plan a self-selected project based on interests
- Interact with peers
- Managing self
- Inspire others to try new ideas
- Practice social skills



Teachers

- Provide a rich learning environment
- Observe & support students
- Encourage students to take risks
- Listen, interact and question to extend students' thinking

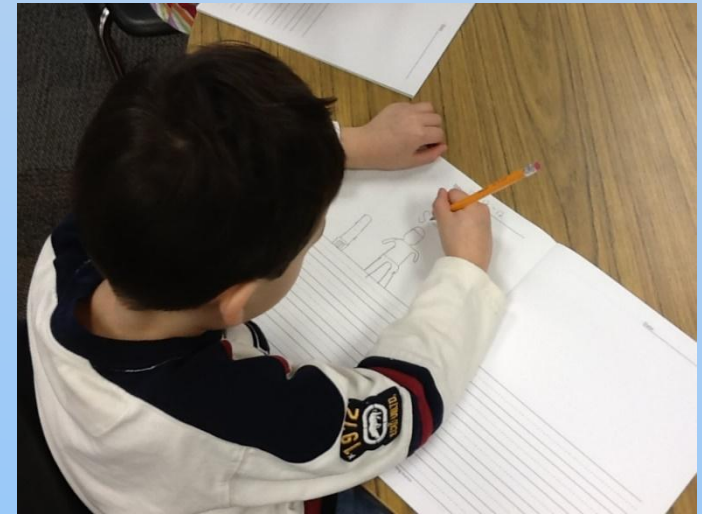


Kindergarten Curriculum

- Specifics will be presented at an evening event, Curriculum Night, held in late September.
- A chance to see and learn about each subject, Kindergarten standards to meet by the end of the year, & what report cards look like
- Teacher will give/send home examples of how to help support your child at home for each subject

Literacy: Beginning to Read & Write

- Orally telling, drawing & writing one's own stories
- Sounding out and writing letters and words
- Independent & Small group instruction
- Phonemic Awareness, Phonics, Sight Words, Shared Reading



SAMPLE Kindergarten Schedule

9:10-School begin

9:15-10:45-Literacy (Reading, Writing & Oral Language)

10:55-Lunch (20 min) & Recess (20 min)

11:40-Math

12:40-1:30-Plan Do Reflect

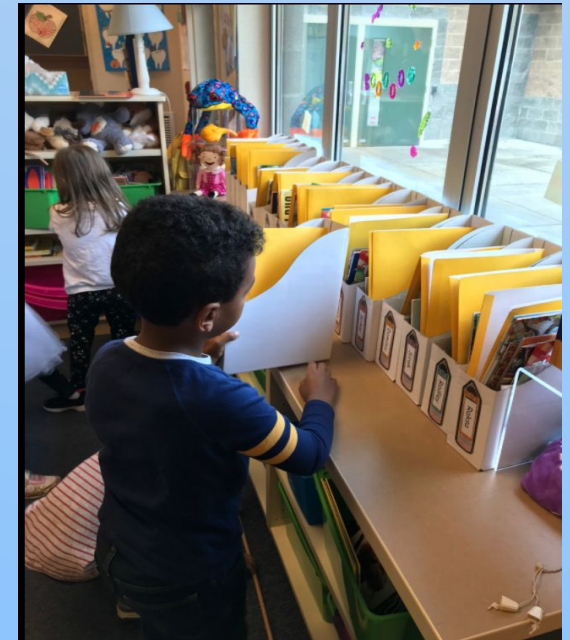
1:30-1:40-Recess

1:40-Science/S.S./Art

2:30-Specialists (next slide)

3:15-Review/Pack Up

3:30-Dismissal



Specialists

- **P.E.** with Mrs. Wood
- **STEAM** with Mrs. Medalia
- **Music** with Mrs. Johnson
- **Library** with Mrs. Mohr
- **Mindset** with Mrs. Rogers

Creating independence

It is important for your child to know how to take care of oneself.
Please practice these skills before September.

- Independently use the bathroom
- Put on, zip & button coat
- Blow own nose
- Wash hands
- Open food & lunch containers
- Open drinks with straws
- Clean up small spills
- Make sure water bottles are tight
- Ask for help



Family involvement

- Make attendance a priority
- Come to school and family events
- Participate in WaKIDS family meeting and parent teacher conferences
- Join PTA or Natural Leaders
- Attend Curriculum Night to learn how to support your child's learning at home





Before the first day

- Help your child learn 6 digit student ID, teacher name and room number
- Get supplies ready to drop off at WaKIDS meeting (supply list will be ready in August)
- Visit the school playground over the summer
- Practice drop off and pick up procedures

Know Your Student ID Number

Chromebook Keypad

Lunchroom Keypad

10-Key Computer Keypad

My Name: _____ My ID Number: _____

Any General Questions? (not child specific)

Thank you for coming tonight!

We look forward to seeing you in August for Everett Ready.

