

Good Afternoon Grove Park & Northside Preschool Parents!

I am so excited that preschool will begin soon. We have been busily preparing for the children's arrival. We have measured all of the classes and spaced out tables and centers. As you know we will have up to 8 children in a classroom which is very different from our Pre-COVID classes of 16 or 17. I wanted to give you some information about upcoming events.

Starting Monday, your child's teacher will be calling you to invite you to our Preschool Open House on Monday, August 24th. This will be a scheduled and physically-distanced Open House that will allow you to pick a convenient time and have around 30 minutes to meet and talk with your child's teacher. Luckily, most of you have filled out most of the paperwork, so this can be a great opportunity to see the classroom and the school, ask questions about our safety protocols and for your child to be welcomed to their new school. We ask that if it is any way possible that you could leave your other children at home during Preschool Open House. We want this to be a time where you can just focus on your preschooler.

At Open House, all parents and guardians must wear a mask to enter the building. Everyone will have their temperature checked at the door and parents must fill out a COVID questionnaire and sign in and out. These are part of the school division's protocols. Your children do not have to wear a mask, but they are definitely welcome to.

After the Open House on Monday the 24th, Tuesday, August 25th and Thursday, August 26th of that week we will bring the children to school on a staggered basis. You will find out your child's day when your child's teacher contacts you on Monday. Then the first day for all students will be Monday, August 31st.

Also, I wanted to tell you that our school hours were approved on Friday. They will be 7:05 a.m. -12:35 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. As the year goes on the school board could increase our time in school.

We look forward to seeing you on Monday, August 24th at your scheduled time.

Principal Wright