

Back to School Night Kindergarten 2018



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Should I send my child to school?

- Yes! Even if they are feeling slightly sick, try to send them to school.
- If a child is vomiting or has a fever, please keep the child home. A child must be fever-free for 24 hours before returning to school.
- If your child stays home, please contact the FRES Attendance line at fresabsence@hcpss.org or call the school at 410-880-5950.



- **HOWARD COUNTY POLICY ON ABSENCE**

- To report your child's absence you may call the front office or send an email to fresabsence@hcpss.org.
- *"The school must receive a note, handwritten or emailed, from the parent or physician explaining the absence/tardiness of a student within two school days of the student's return or the absence/tardiness will be unlawful/unexcused. When a doctor's certification for chronic illness has been required and not provided within two school days of the student's return, the absence/tardiness will be recorded as unlawful/unexcused until a doctor's certificate is provided."*

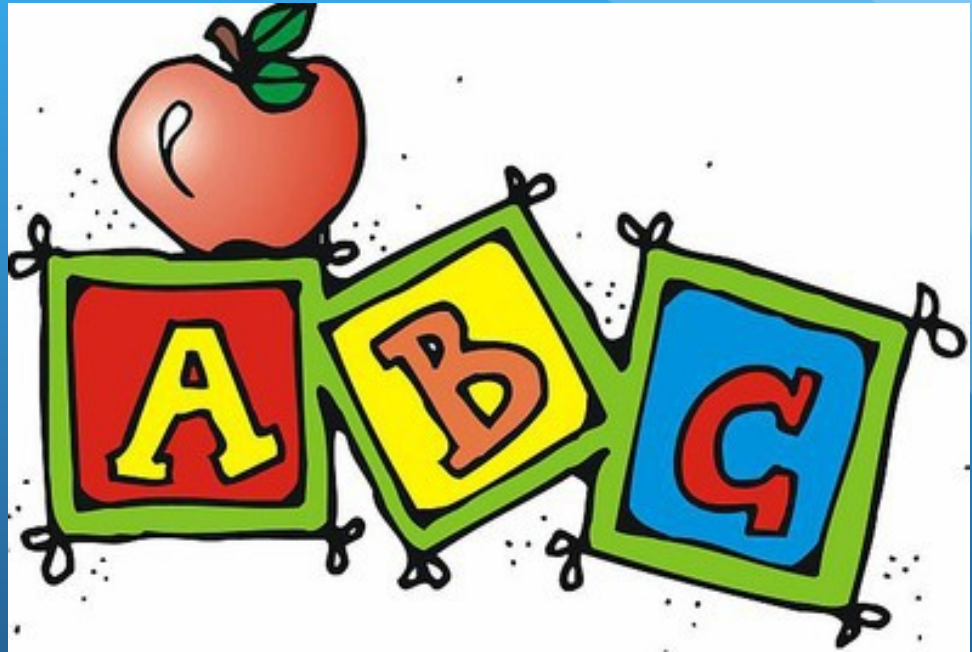
What should my kindergartner wear?



- Comfortable clothes that can get dirty. We will be sitting on the floor criss-cross and using art materials.
- Tennis shoes to run and play in during recess. (Please no flip flops or sandals.)
- Classrooms will get cold. An extra sweatshirt is always a good idea. Please LABEL it. Sweatshirts and sweaters tend to get left in different places of the building.
- It's totally cool for you to let your child decide the clothes to wear as long as they are appropriate for school.

Our Daily Schedule

- 9:00 Morning Work
- 9:20 Opening
- 9:30 Math
- 10:20 Lunch
- 10:50 Language Arts
- 12:20 Specials
- 1:20 Recess
- 1:50 Snack
- 2:00 Quiet Time
- 2:10 SEL (Social Emotional Learning)
- 2:30 Content
- 3:00 Choice Time
- 3:35 Dismissal





9:00 Opening

- Turn in folder
- Math Morning Work
- 5th Grade Helpers
- Morning Circle
- Number Talks
- Songs / Dance

Math 9:30



Students will be expected to
Write numbers from 0 - 20
Count to 100
Recognize flat and solid figures
Add and subtract fluently within 5

Students will be taught in their homerooms in large and small groups. Our goal is to meet the needs of each individual student.

Curriculum and resources are located on www.hcpss.org under Academics

Mathematics

Math Support Center

Elementary Math

Kindergarten

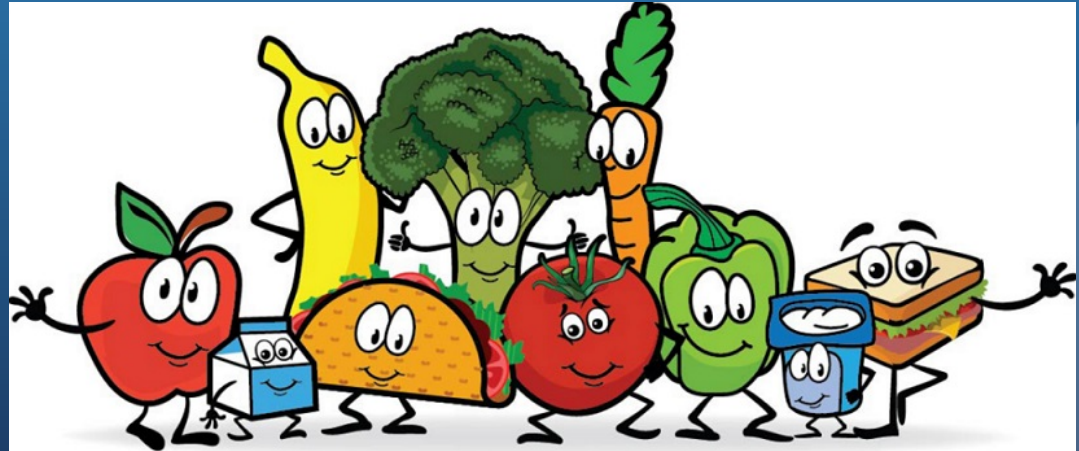
Follow the CANVAS link:

<https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/34447>

Buying Lunch

<http://www.hcpss.org/>

- Every child has a clothespin with their number on it. We put it on their shirt if they are buying lunch.
- Children will need to hold onto their money and take it to the cafeteria.
- Lunch - \$2.75
- Milk - \$.50
- To set up your payment account, you will need your student's ID number.
- Online program fee \$2.25



Lunch 10:20

- Assigned tables in the cafeteria
- Please pack healthy lunches
- Orderly clean up and exit
- Students have plenty of time to eat, please encourage your child to use their time wisely.



Language Arts

Students are grouped by ability within their homeroom to best meet their individual needs

Flexible grouping

View www.hcpss.org to see our curriculum and additional resources under:

Academics

English/Language Arts

Family and Community Resources

How to support your child



- Students are expected to know
 - 25 sight words
 - All letters/sounds
 - Rhymes
 - Write a sentence and draw a picture to support.

12:20 Specials

- Physical Education

WEAR TENNIS SHOES on
Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday!

- Art
- Music
- Technology
- Media

RETURN book each Wednesday.



Recess 1:20



Please wear appropriate clothing and shoes.

We try to go out as often as we can, even if it is cold.

PLEASE LABEL your jackets, gloves, and hats.

Quiet Time

- Please make sure your child has a small towel or blanket.
- Blankets will be sent home periodically to be cleaned.
- This is a bathroom and drink break too.



Snack



Please alert us immediately of any allergies to food or dietary restrictions.

PLEASE PACK A SNACK FOR YOUR CHILD EACH DAY.

- Snack should be *healthy*. (fruit, goldfish, pretzels, graham crackers, etc.)
- *NO* juice boxes or drinks.
- Please label your snack.
- Do *not* place in lunchbox.
- No utensils will be provided.
- Your child should be able to eat snack independently. (Practice opening containers and cleaning up.)

Messy Snacks...

Please no yogurt or fruit cups.

Snacks are not refrigerated.



Science/Social Studies/Health

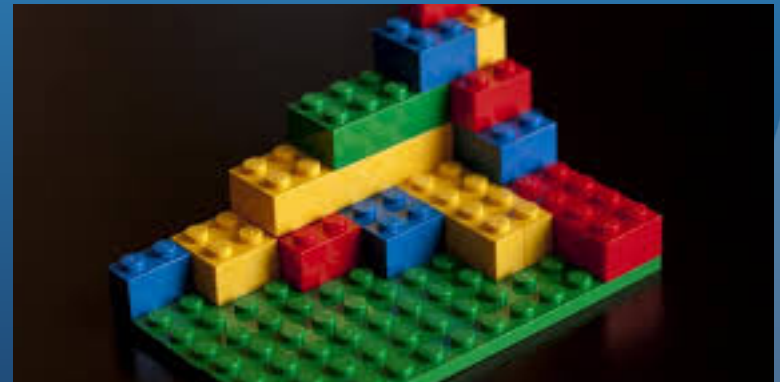
- Scientists and Engineers, Weather, Pushes and Pulls, Relationships in Ecosystems
- Home and School, It's a Busy World, My Country 'Tis of Thee, Maps and Me
- Social and Emotional Health, Nutrition and Fitness, Safety-First Aid and Injury Prevention, Disease Prevention and Control



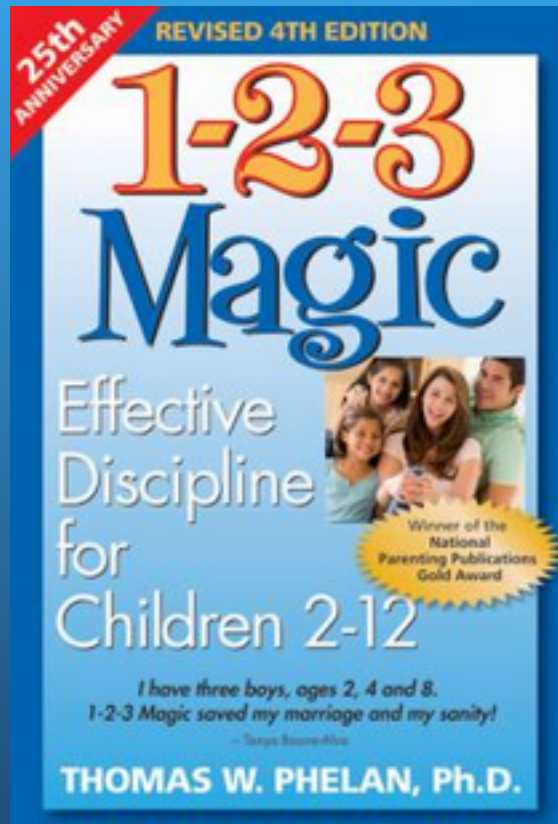
Choice Time



- Our favorite time!
- A chance to try out what we have learned in school!
- A chance for learning how to get along with one another.
- A chance for the teachers to informally instruct both socially and academically.



1 - 2 - 3 Magic!



Children are counted to 3 when doing a behavior that needs to be stopped.

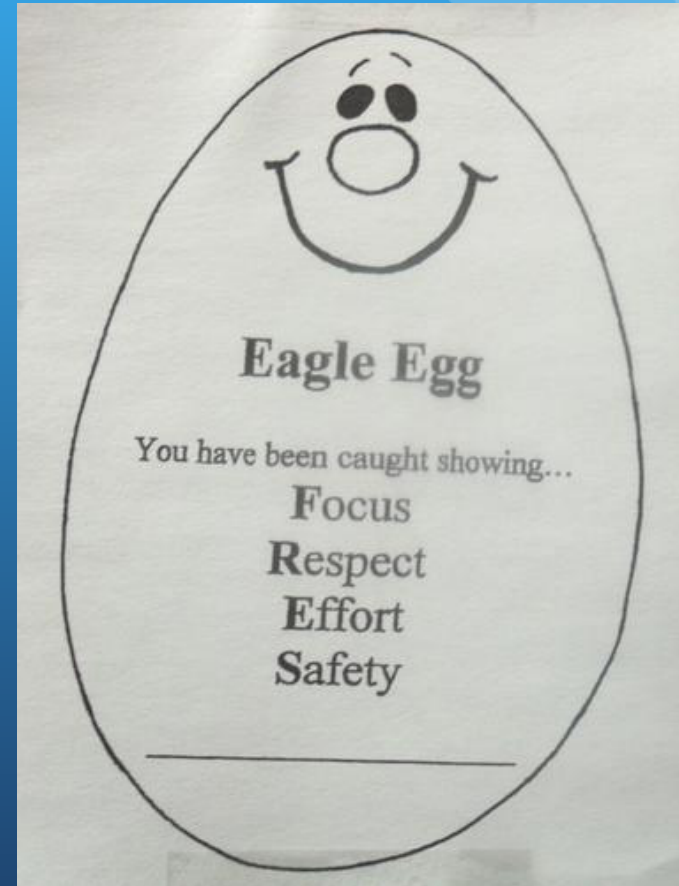
If the teacher counts to 3, the child is given a time out.

In kindergarten, if a child is counted to 3 more than once in a day, a reflection form will be sent home.

LOOK FOR EAGLE EGGS!

FOCUS
RESPECT
EFFORT
SAFETY

Praise your children
when they come
home with Eagle
Eggs!



Reflection Form



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Primary Reflection Form

Name: _____ Time/Subject: _____ Date: _____

Referring Staff Member: _____ Homeroom: _____

Today I did not show *(circle)* **focus** **respect** **effort** **safety** when I :

Illustration	Teacher Comments:

Next time I will show *(circle)* **focus** **respect** **effort** **safety** by :

Illustration	Teacher Comments:

Referring Staff Member Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature
(Please sign and return to school)

* Note: white copy - home yellow copy - HR teacher (put in HR teacher's mailbox by referring staff member) *

- Please discuss with child at home, focusing on how they plan to act in the future.

- Sign and return.

MIR



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Minor Incident Report (MIR)

Staff Use Only

☐ Date/Time phone call home was made _____

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Time: _____ Date: _____

Referring Staff Member: _____ Homeroom: _____

Location: (circle) Class: _____ Bathroom Cafeteria/Lunch
Hallway Playground/Recess Other: _____

FRES expectation NOT met (circle): Focus Respect Effort Safety

Why expectation was not met: _____

Consequence: 1. **Phone call home** 2. _____

Referring Staff Member Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature
(Please sign and return to school)

Note:

white copy - home yellow copy - HR teacher (put in HR teacher's mailbox by referring staff member) pink copy - Data box

Minor Incident Report

- Given when student has had repeatedly misbehaved.
- Given when student's behavior is more severe.
- Copy Is kept for data in school, not in child's permanent records.
- Please sign and return the next day.



Ready Rosie

An application to put on your phone or computer to give you ideas on how to support your child's education.

How do I teach addition?
How do I help my child learn sight words?

October 9th, 2018
Parent/Child Night
at Forest Ridge

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6jq3QOj-Lkg&feature=youtu.be>

Field Trips

- Walk to Savage Library
- Firehouse will visit
- Trip to the Zoo!
- Parent chaperones will be needed for the library and zoo.



Transportation



We will only change your child's transportation home with a note from you!

We will not just follow what your child says without confirmation from you!

(Don't rely on same day emails. Call the office in an emergency.)

Try to avoid doing an early dismissal the last 15 minutes of school.

Emergencies / Communication

- #1 You MUST fill out your Family File in Synergy.
- During an early dismissal for a snow or weather event, the teachers will follow the information in your family file on how your child will go home.
- Do not rely on Kindergarten Teachers to check emails during the day. Please call the office if your child is going home differently.
- Teachers will respond to emails within 24 hours of a workday.

Pack an Extra Set of Clothes

Accidents can happen.

It is much better to be prepared!

Please pack a set of clothes including underwear in a small bag in your child's backpack.



Classroom Volunteers!

Math 9:15 - 10:25

Reading Groups 11:00 - 12:20

Complete the training.

<http://www.hcpss.org/parents/volunteer-information/>



How was your day? - “Fine.”
What did you do? - “Nothing...”

ASK SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

- Did you work with numbers/ letters/words today?
- What story did your teacher read? Tell me about it.
- What made you *happy* today? (*sad, excited, frustrated...*)
- *Who did you sit with at lunch?*
- *Who did you play with at recess? What game did you play?*
- *What teachers did you see today?*
- *What did you do today that you were proud of?*
- *How did you work with your friends today?*

Donations are wonderful!

- Hand sanitizer
 - Baby wipes
 - Dixie cups
 - Tissues
 - Ziploc bags
 - Index cards
 - Paper bags (all colors!)
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- Look for notes to come home asking for supplies to replenish current supplies.

Glue Sticks

Crayons



Science Curriculum

- Cardboard tubes
- Broken-down cardboard boxes

Childhood is a journey,
not a race.
Explore, Discover, Inspire...
Kindergarten!

