Yellow School News September 2018



Welcome to the fall semester!

The summer has flown by and our teachers are excited to start the new school year (as I am sure you are)! Last year was challenging in so many ways and my hope is that this year will be easier for our families who went through so much last year.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me!

Love, Candice

Curriculum News

As you may know, our three-year-old classes will have a new curriculum this year! We will be using Frog Street Press as our primary curriculum. This curriculum goes hand in hand with the themes we have used for years but adds additional components for fine motor skill development, math, science and literacy. Our teachers are so excited and have already begun to develop their lesson plans and schedules to include these new components.

Our Pre-K classes will be utilizing the Learning Without Tears curriculum which is an extension of the Handwriting Without Tears used last year. Cary Alfieri and Jan Conant attended training for this curriculum and are excited to incorporate it into their lesson plans. They will be including some of the plans from Funshine Express used last year as well.

Specialty Classes

This year, our specialty classes will be Music (taught by Michael Middleton), Spanish (taught by Sylvia Varela), Chapel (taught by Mayra Escamilla and Rachel Poysky) and Music and Movement (contracted through Enrichment Services).

These classes take place during the school day and are in addition to the activities in the classrooms. The teachers do a great

job of incorporating these classes into their daily schedules as they realize how important they are to the overall enrichment of the children.

Our Teachers and Staff

Monday/Tuesday 3-Year-Olds
Shonda Martin and Yvonne Bucheler

Wednesday/Thursday/Friday 3-Year-Olds Shonda Martin and Rocio Chacon

Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday 3-Year-Olds Ashley Plaisance and Nora Valdez

Thursday/Friday 3-Year-Olds (new class!)
Kelsey Beasley and Annie McQueen

4-Day Pre-K Class
Cary Alfieri and Sylvia Varela

5-Day Pre-K Class Jan Conant and DaLynn Boggs

Kindergarten
Michele Arriaga and Natalie Shepherd

Helper Extraordinaire Sarah Padar

Assistant Director Tara Riebschlaeger

Registration for Next Year

We will be accepting applications for the 2019 – 2020 school year from **FAMILIES NOT CURRENTLY ENROLLED AT YELLOW SCHOOL** beginning November 15th at 6:00 am. Children who *are* currently enrolled <u>and</u> their siblings will register in January. If you have friends and neighbors who might be interested in the school, please encourage them to contact us for a tour!

Hammer Time!

As many of you know, we are fortunate to have a group of volunteers who come each month and do woodworking with the Pre-K and Kindergarten children. If you know of anyone who might like to join this wonderful group of volunteers, please call and let us know.

Mark Your Calendars!

August 27th – First Day of School!

September 3rd – Labor Day – No School
October 8th – Columbus Day – No School
October 16th and 17th – Individual Pictures –
Dates Subject to Change
Week of October 22nd – Vision, Hearing
and Speech Screenings
October 30th and 31st – Halloween Parades –
More Info to Come

Room Moms

Monday/Tuesday 3-Year-Olds Naomi Card and Allie Frazier

Wednesday/Thursday/Friday 3-Year-Olds Michelle Collins and Erin Rushing

Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday 3-Year-Olds Carrie Marshall and Blair Canfield

Thursday/Friday 3-Year-Olds (new class!)
Tiffany Alvarez and Jessica Candler

4-Day Pre-K Class
Lauren Gwin and Alicia Whitley

5-Day Pre-K Class
Sophie Magness and Lauren Lionberger

Kindergarten
Rachel Goldsmith and Wendy Spence

Church Activities

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)

Meets the first and third Thursday of the month

MOPs provides connection with other moms in your same parenting stage and gives

encouragement and hope to the weary. You'll hear relevant speakers at meetings that equip you with parenting knowledge and leadership skills to better influence your family and community.

There is a MOPS membership charge; please first register online on the MDPC website with MOPS. **MOPs at MDPC begins Thursday, August 30.**



REACH

We offer an expansive lineup of quality classes and activities which develop knowledge and skills for children, youth, and adults. There are three sessions offered each year – Fall, Spring, and Summer. Church members as well as the community are welcome to participate.

Please visit mdpc.org for more information!



Reminders

- Please LABEL everything your child brings to school (first and last names)!
- TUITION is due by the tenth of each month. Make your check payable to MDPC
- Please use the pencil bag, which is attached to your child's backpack, for all notes, etc. that you have for us
- Don't forget to SIGN YOUR CHILD IN AND OUT if you are coming late or picking up early (sheets are by the front door)
- The doors open at 8:45. Prior to that, the teachers are preparing for your children.
 Please wait for us to come greet you
- We are a peanut and tree nut free school!