

# The ABC's of Kindergarten

Oak Grove Elementary  
Fine Arts Academy  
2018-2019



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## Attendance

Your child's progress, both academically and socially, is influenced to a great extent by daily participation. Your child's regular and prompt attendance at school is crucial to his/her success. Most kindergarten learning activities are group oriented and involve hands-on experiences. Therefore, it is next to impossible to make up work at home. Please view school as a priority, and see to it that your child attends every day except in cases of illness or emergency. Students must be at school between 7 and 7:40 a.m. **Our tardy bell rings at 7:40 a.m.**

## After School

The After School program is offered for students to attend. **The program is from 2:15-6:00 pm.** You will need to register your child for them to attend. This is a prepaid program. **It is \$10.00 a day for your child to attend. There is a drop in fee of \$14.** A variety of clubs are offered during ASP. Payments can sent in to school in your child's red folder (please make sure it is in an envelope telling your child's teacher where the money goes) or can be made online at <https://oakgroveelementary.revtrak.net/>





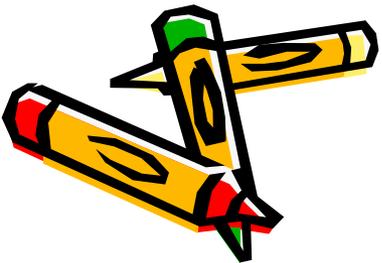
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## Back Pack

Your child's backpack should be large enough to fit a folder and their winter jacket. Always check your child's back pack every day! Please take out any papers that should stay home.

## Breakfast

Breakfast is served each day. The cost is \$1.50. If your child will be eating breakfast he/she can come as early as 7:00am but needs to be in the cafeteria by 7:25am.





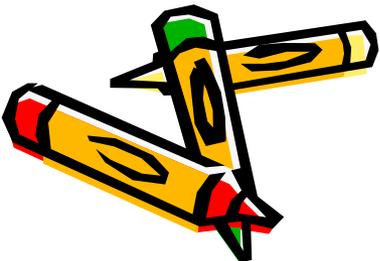
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## Clothing

Please make sure your child dress is suitable for play and crafts. It is recommended that girls wear shorts under their dresses and skirts. Please send your child to school with tennis shoes if it is day they have PE.

## Curriculum Night- August 20

Please mark your calendar to join us at 6 p.m. in your child's homeroom classroom. This is a night where parents will come to learn grade level goals and academic expectations for all Kindergarten students. You will walk away understanding what your child will be learning and how you can help them at home.





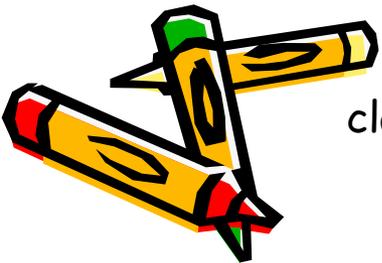
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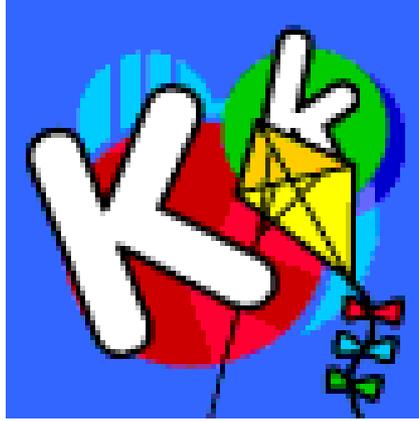
# Food

We take food allergies very serious at Oak Grove. We don't want any of our children to be put in any danger. If your child has an allergy other than peanut, please let your child's teacher know ASAP. There will be some times in Kindergarten when we cook to enrich the curriculum so knowing about food allergies is very important.

# Folders

Your child will be given a red folder. This folder will come home everyday. This folder will contain important information from your child's teacher or the school. This folder will also contain classwork that your child has completed. Please empty and look at all the papers in the folder everyday

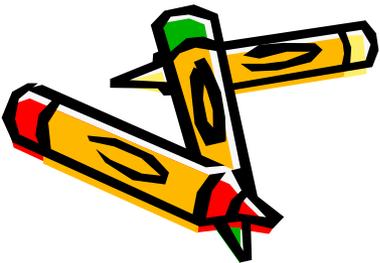




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## Keys to Success

Good communication between home and school, a positive attitude, and good attendance are the keys to a successful school year.





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## Lunch Money

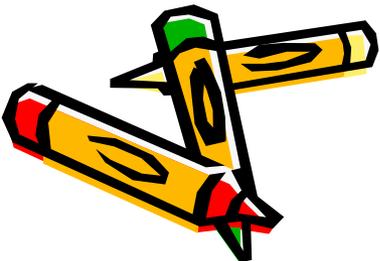
To eliminate the necessity of having your child carry lunch money every day, you may prepay school lunch by the month or the week. Lunch costs \$2.35 per day. If your child brings their lunch and needs to buy milk, milk costs \$0.50. You may add money to your child's account on line at

<https://www2.mypaymentsplus.com/welcome>

Visitor lunch cost is \$4.00.

## Lunch Number

Each child is assigned a number that accesses their lunch account as well as many other things. Please help your child learn this number. It is very important that you child learn this number ASAP.

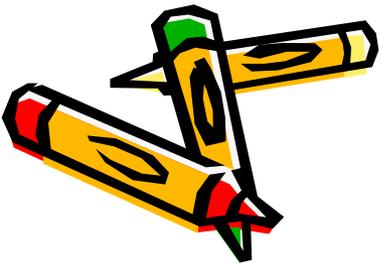




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## Medication

If your child needs to take medication, the nurse must administer it. Please contact the nurse regarding directions and the medication must be dropped off by the parent. Please let your child's teacher know of any medical needs or allergies.





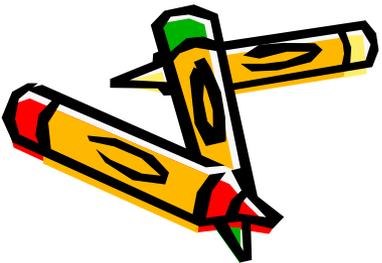
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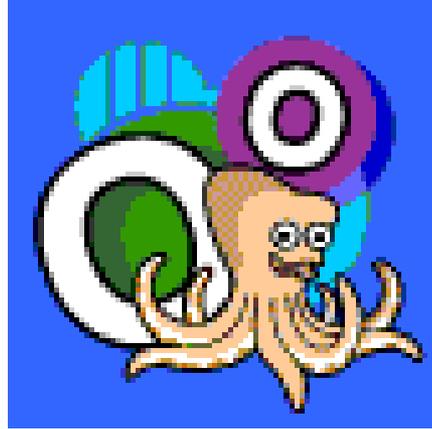
## Name

Please put your child's name on ALL of his/her belongings! Students will often forget their jacket on the playground or their lunch box in the lunchroom, etc. If your child's name is on their belongings it is easier to return lost items.

## Newsletter

We will send home a newsletter at the beginning of every month. Please check the newsletter for classroom events, special projects, important information, and school happenings.

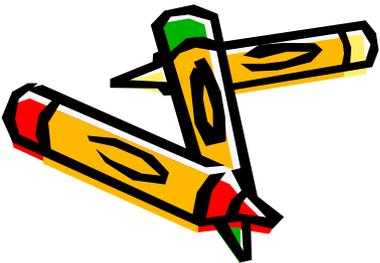




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## Office

Oak Grove, along with all Cherokee County Schools, has a policy that ALL GUESTS (including familiar faces) are required to check in at the school office to receive a Visitor's Pass. Oak Grove welcomes and encourages family involvement. It is important to remember that while this may seem inconvenient to frequent visitors, it is the goal and responsibility of the school to create a safe learning environment.





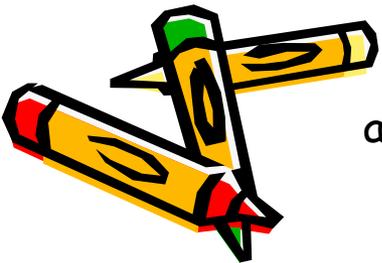
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## Parent-Teacher Conferences

Please feel free to contact your child's teacher to setup a conference at any time throughout the year if the need arises. We ask that you respect your child's teacher's time and other students' precious instructional time and avoid "doorway" conferences. If at all possible, please let your child's teacher know ahead of time what your concern is so they can come prepared to address your concerns during the conference.

## PTA

Another way to become involved in your child's education is to join the Oak Grove Elementary PTA. Your support of school activities makes your child feel important and sends the message that you value school.





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## School Day

Our school day begins at 7:40 a.m. and ends at 2:15. Students are permitted on campus at 7:00 a.m. Students will not be allowed to enter the building prior to 7:00 am as there is no adult supervision at this time.

## Snack

We will have a short snack break during the day. Snacks need to be dry and heathy. All water bottle need to have a closable lid. Please see your child's teacher in regards to what their specific classroom requirements are for snack as this may vary from room to room. **NO JUICES OR SWEET DRINKS.**

## Specials

Each day students participate in either P.E., Art, Music, or STEAM Lab. Each class has its own curriculum where they are learning about various pertinent concepts.

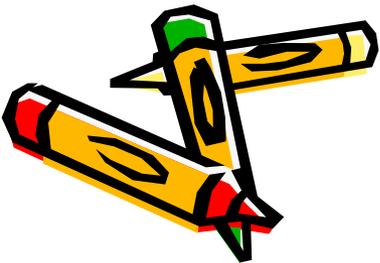




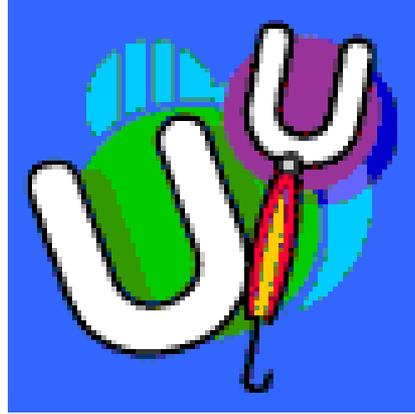
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## Transportation

You will have a communication sheet in your child's red folder. We ask that you let your child's teacher know how your child is going home everyday by filling out that section on the sheet. Even if your child goes home the same way everyday, we need written notification from you. This should only take you a minute to fill out each week. In an emergency, you can call the office but please do not email transportation changes. Thanks in advance for helping us to make sure your child gets home safely everyday. **If your child rides the bus an adult MUST be at the bus stop to pick up your child in the afternoon.** The bus driver will not let your child off of the bus if there is not an adult at the bus stop that is responsible for your child.



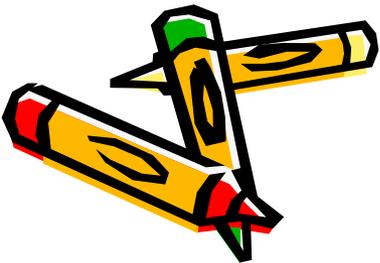
How I am Getting Home	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bus #, Car, Daycare, ASP					



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## Unexcused Absence

Any absence without a written explanation and/or doctor's note will be recorded as unexcused. An absence will be recorded as unexcused if the reason for absence does not follow School Board policy.

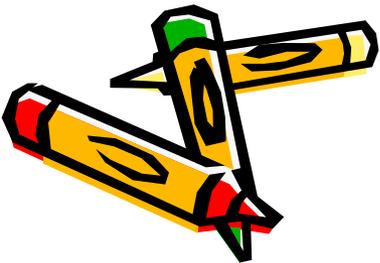




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## Volunteers

Parents play a very important role in their child's educational development. Because of this, you are always welcome to volunteer your time to help out in your child's school. Joining PTA is the first step in becoming involved!

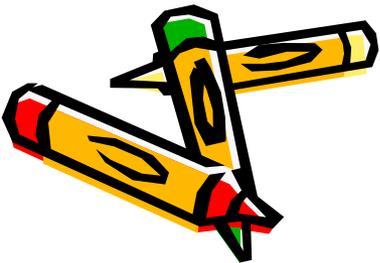




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## **Extra Clothes**

Please keep an extra set of clothing (pants, shirt, underwear, socks) labeled with your child's name inside a zip-lock bag in your child's backpack in case of an accident. Remember that accidents can include spilled milk or mud puddles on the playground. When accidents happen, we'll be ready.

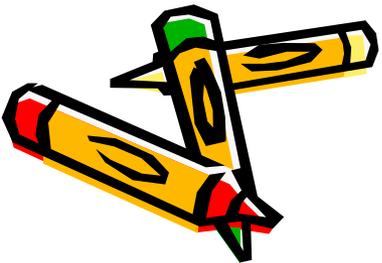




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**YOU!**

You are your child's first teacher. We feel that parents and teacher need to work together to provide your child with the best educational experience ever.





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## *Zzzzzzzz's*

Make sure that your child gets plenty of rest. Setting and keeping a bedtime is a wonderful gift you can give to your child. It will help them to be alert and ready to learn each day.

## *Zoom!*

Sit back and watch your child's skills take off! You will be amazed at the skills your child will develop this year.

