



KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

KINDERGARTEN SCREENING

- Kindergarten Screening will be Tuesday, May 4 and Wednesday, May 5 at Vienna Elementary.
- It takes about 45-60 minutes per child for the entire screening.
- For an appointment please call (573) 422-3365 option 2.
- If your child attends the Vienna Early Learning Center they already have a time slot and enrollment papers are complete.
- If your child does not attend VELC, please bring them to the elementary main entrance at your appointment time where a staff member will meet you. Your child will go with our staff for the screening process. Due to current restrictions, you will be able to come into the building and fill out paperwork in our teacher workroom with your driver's license, which will be ran through a security system. Or you may fill out the paperwork in our vehicle or outside the building. **Please bring your child's immunization records, proof of residency and birth certificate to this event.**

IMPORTANT HEALTH INFORMATION

- Students must have all state required immunizations in order to start school in August.
- If your child is not feeling well, please keep them at home until they are feeling well for 24 hours before you send them back to school. See our wellness policy in the handbook.
- Medications
 - If for some reason your child needs medication given to them during school hours, let Nurse Lindsay know. All medications must have proper labels on them and will be kept in the nurse's office. The first dose of any new medication for a child must be given at home.
- Please be sure to let teachers/school nurse know of any allergies your child has or develops.
- If you have any other health related questions, please contact Nurse Lindsay at 422-6395.

A WORD FROM OUR COUNSELOR: Alyssa Smith

Students meet with me bi-weekly during their library special. Classroom lessons emphasize character education.

I also meet with students individually and in small groups to provide:

- Academic planning and support
 - Goal Setting
 - Transitioning
 - Organizational skills
- Responsive Services
 - Crisis intervention
 - Referrals to community resources
- Personal/Social Development
 - Problem Solving/Conflict Resolution
 - Peer Relationships
 - Coping strategies

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (573) 422-3365 or at asmith@viennaeagles.org.

LUNCH PROGRAM AND COST

- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Milk
- Can pay lunch balances and add money to accounts online
- Free and Reduced Lunch Program

MEET THE TEACHERS

- Mrs. Rachel Johnson (KA)

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573-422-3365 ext 162

- Mrs. Lisa Swindell (KB)

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COMMUNICATION

- We will be utilizing the ClassDojo system to communicate with parents.
- Please contact us if you ever have a question or concern. You may reach us through ClassDojo, email, or our school phone number.
- We also send home weekly newsletters and notes in students' folders, please check them daily.
- Sign Up for Eagle Updates to get text alerts about school closings and events happening at school. <http://www.mariesr1.k12.mo.us/>

KEY THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT KINDERGARTEN

- We are a full day kindergarten. We do not have snack or nap time.
- Please label all your child's belongings and send your child with only the supplies on the school supply list, no more, no less.
- When sending money to school please put in an envelope with child's name, teachers name, amount and what it is for. Example John Smith, Mrs. Johnson, \$10.00 Lunch Money
- Please keep an extra change of seasonally appropriate clothes in your child's backpack. Accidents can happen so we want to be prepared.
- We will send children home by the form of transportation listed on their student information sheet. If their transportation changes, you must notify the office by 2pm, otherwise the student will go home by the way listed on their sheet. If you are picking students up you must get them from the office, we will not give students to anyone at the buses.

KEY THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT KINDERGARTEN (CONT.)

- The expectations of Kindergarten students is different than when you were in Kindergarten. Students do not have homework, but they do have weekly heart words that they should review.
- The best thing you can do with your Kindergartener is read to them on a consistent basis. Humans learn 50% of all the vocabulary they will ever use by the time they are 6 years old, so reading and exposure to books is critical.
- Look at what the Kindergarten Standards are for Missouri at the Missouri Department of Education website.
- <https://dese.mo.gov/college-career-readiness/curriculum/missouri-learning-standards>
- Send your child to Summer School May 24-June 23, 2021

REMEMBER YOU ARE YOUR CHILD'S GREATEST TEACHER

In one school year
a child spends:
7800 hours at home
&
900 hours at school