



Welcome to “Tiny Fins, Big Dreams” Kindergarten Orientation!

Stonegate Elementary
Friday, May 22

Our Itinerary

- Welcome!
- Friendly Faces
- Getting Ready: Preparing for Kindergarten
- Getting Ready: Resources
- Getting Ready: Transportation
- A Word from the PTA
- Next Steps



School Day 9:00-3:25

Doors open at 8:40 for arrival.

Kindergarten Team



Ms. Fabre



Mrs. Nguyen



Mrs. Porter

Administrative Team & Main Office



Ms. Jones
Principal



Mrs. Hollis
Assistant Principal



Mrs. Knuth
Administrative
Secretary



Ms. Gallardo
Attendance
Secretary

Support Providers



Mr. George
Counselor



Mrs. Semitekolos
Staff Development



Mrs. Bozel
Reading Specialist



Ms. Marsh
Math Focus

Support Providers



Miss April
Special Education



Mrs. Silva
English Language
Development



Ms. Ama
Health Technician

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Ms. Del Cid (Art), Ms. Fennington (Music) - Team Leader, Mr. Jones (PE), Ms. Petersen (Media Assistant), Mr. Proszkow (Instrumental Music), Ms. Brooks (Music), Mrs. Dietmeier (Media Specialist), Ms. Camaro (Art) - Not Pictured, Mrs. Joyce Toledo-Bayle (PE)- Not Pictured

Sample Kindergarten Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40 - 9:05	Arrival/Breakfast/ Announcements				
9:10-9:40	Social Studies/Science/Health				
9:40-10:40	ELA skills				
10:40-11:10	F.I.T/ small group time				
11:10-11:30	Free Choice Centers				
11:30-12:05 12:05-12:40	Lunch & Recess				
12:40-1:25	Specials				
1:25-2:25	ELA Knowledge				
2:25-3:20	Math & snack				
3:20	Pack up for Dismissal				

More information about the Curriculum will be shared at Back To School Night

Ways to Prepare Your Child For Kindergarten

Practice Basic Kindergarten Skills

- Fine motor skills:
 - Hold a pencil correctly to write name using one uppercase letter and the rest lowercase letters
 - Practice using scissors and glue stick
- Practice following simple directions



I Take Care of Myself!



Teach Your Child to Take Care of Basic Needs

- Going to the bathroom independently
- Proper hand washing and blowing nose
- Putting on jacket/coat
- Fastening/Tying shoes
- Promoting independence and decision making
- Asking for help when needed
- Knowing lunch choice - lunch from home or buying lunch from school

Ease the Transition of Starting Kindergarten

- Develop routines at home with clear bedtime and morning routines
- Talk to your child about what kindergarten will be like to help them start preparing for this big transition

• **Transition Day August 24th (1st day of school for Kinder)**

- Back to School Night in September

Make Going to Kindergarten Special for your Child

- Let them pick out school supplies, like backpack and lunchbox
- Let them pick out what they want to wear on their first day of school
- Make a special breakfast on the first day of school



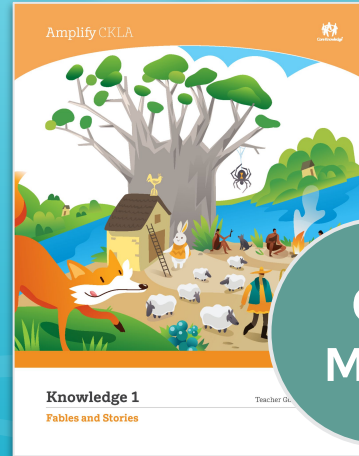
Amplify CKLA

SKILLS STRAND

KNOWLEDGE STRAND



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Mins



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Mins

Kindergarten



Knowledge Strand Topics

- Nursery Rhymes and Fables
- The Five Senses
- Stories
- Plants
- Farms
- Native Americans
- Kings and Queens
- Seasons and Weather
- Colonial Towns and Townspeople
- Presidents and American Symbols

A student's listening comprehension outpaces their reading comprehension until age 13.
There is so much power in reading aloud to your child at home.

CKLA - Core Knowledge Language Arts¹⁵

- **Built on the Science of Reading**
(how our brain learns to read)
systematic, explicit, visual, repetition, application
- **Sequences deep, rich, diverse content knowledge**
- **Teaches explicit phonics skills and how to apply them**
- **Vertical alignment across grade levels**
- **science and social studies integrated**



Kindergarten Skills

Students can begin practicing writing their name.

Some skills: Letter names and sounds, rhyming words, blending, initial/medial/final sounds, long/short vowels, “tricky words”

Grammar: nouns, verbs, capitalization and punctuation

Writing: Opinion, narrative, informational

Dr. Martin Kozloff (2002) stated, "If a child memorized ten words, the child can only read ten words, but if a child learns the sounds of ten letters, the child will be able to read 350 three-sound words, 4,320 four-sound words, and 21,650 five-sound words."

New Math Curriculum

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Activity 2 Ying's Version

8 Find each difference or sum.

$8 - 2$ _____

$5 + 2$ _____

$7 - 2$ _____

$6 + 2$ _____

$4 - 2$ _____

$3 - 2$ _____

72 Unit 1 Adding, Subtracting, and Working With Data

Activity 2

9 Let's watch a video.

Discuss

How are subtracting 2 and adding 2 alike?

Subtracting 2 and adding 2 are alike because _____

Activity 1

Find the difference to help the frog find a bug to eat.

$6 - 1$ 5

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Amplify Desmos



- Engaging core instruction
- Progress monitoring
- Intervention and enrichment
- Print and digital resources
- manipulatives and centers in K-5
- mathematical understanding, reasoning and expression
- Social and collaborative experiences

English Language Development (ELD)



The illustration shows a stylized globe with various people from different cultures and backgrounds. Each person is accompanied by a speech bubble containing a greeting in their native language. The greetings include: 'Hello!' (English), 'Salut!' (French), 'Bonjour!' (French), 'Привет!' (Russian), 'Ciao!' (Italian), 'مرحبا' (Arabic), 'नमस्ते' (Hindi), '您好' (Chinese), 'Hi!' (English), 'Halo!' (Finnish), 'Hi!' (English), 'Salut!' (French), 'Hola!' (Spanish), 'Olá!' (Portuguese), and 'Hi!' (English). The globe is set against a background of a bright orange sun with rays, and the bottom of the image features a dark blue silhouette of a forest or garden.



From our school
Website...

Online Resources for Incoming Kindergartners

QUICK LINKS

Calendar

Child Care Options

Clothing to Cash

Curriculum

Extracurricular Activities

Kindergarten Registration &
Resources



ONLINE RESOURCES FOR KINDERGARTNERS



#1

[Getting Ready for Kindergarten - Online Activities](#)

Literacy: What parents can do

#2

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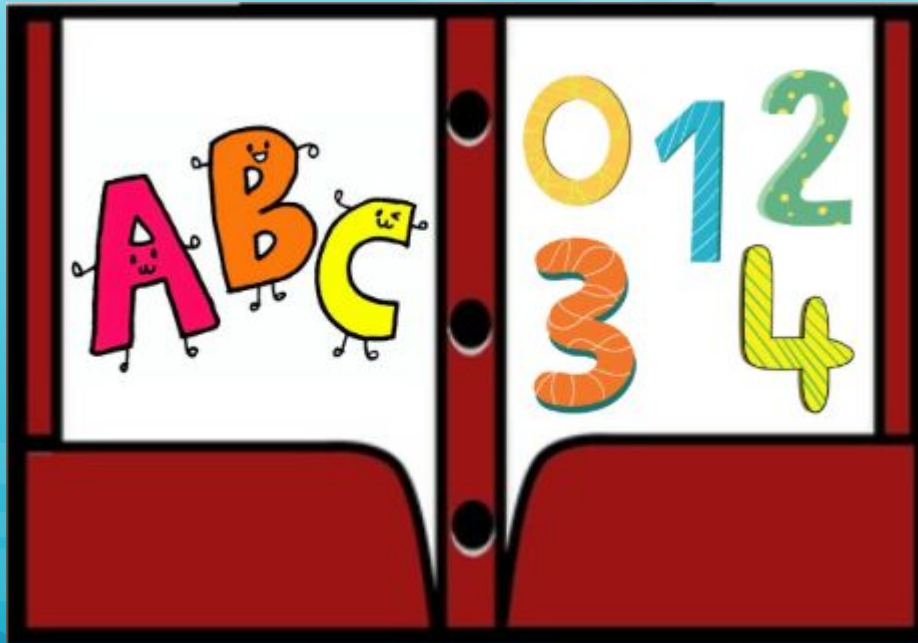
Math: What parents can do

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#3

[Kindergarten Readiness](#)

Summer Folder of Literacy and Math Activities



New App

School Communication



ParentVUE

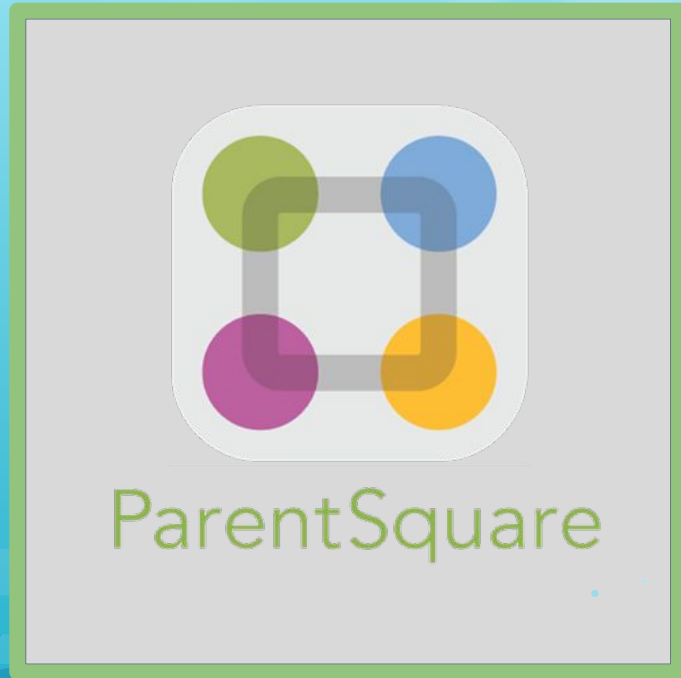


You can access...

- ★ Report Cards
- ★ Interim Reports
- ★ MAP Testing Scores
- ★ Messages from Teachers/School
- ★ Link to myMCPS Canvas Classroom
- ★ Parents can update Annual Verification and Contact Information



School Communication



- ★ Send and/or receive messages using a preferred mode of communication, such as text message, email or phone call and in a preferred language.
- ★ Parents can log into their ParentSquare account via the web or using the ParentSquare app.

Getting Ready: Backpack Tips



- When you know how your child will be traveling home from school (bus or car rider), **create a visible tag for their backpack.**
- Include an **emergency contact number.**
- Bus route information is published later in the summer.

Getting Ready: First Day of Kindergarten



- Pack a **change of clothes and underwear** that stays in the backpack at all times (seasonally appropriate).
- Pack a **water bottle**.
- Send in a **healthy snack**. Kids learn better with a full tummy!

Getting Ready: Transportation



Bus Riders



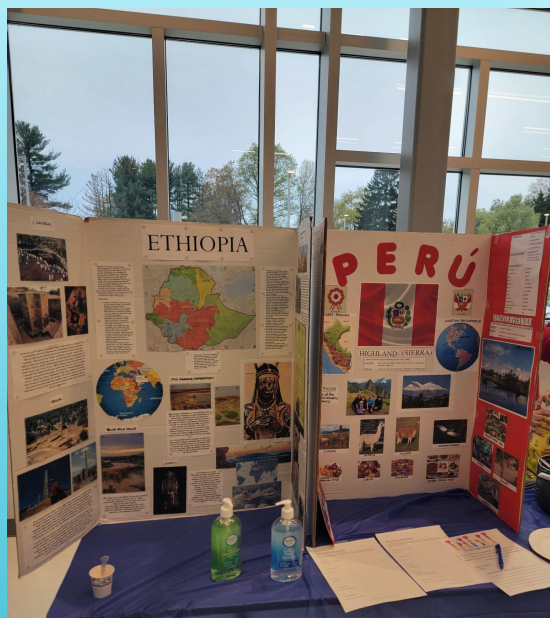
Car Riders



Walkers

**More information will be given at
Back to School Night**

Stonegate PTA



- **Build a community** among all the families at Stonegate Elementary School.
- Host **family-focused and fun-filled events** each year, such as the Fall Picnic, Movie Night, Multicultural Night and the Stonegate Carnival.
- Support **in-school enrichment programs** such as Cultural Arts Assemblies and the annual Literary Festival.
- Provide annual **Calendar of Events** for the school year.
- Update **PTA Website** with info and resources:
<https://stonegatepta.memberhub.com/>

Get Involved In The PTA

- We hope you'll **become a member** of the PTA! (Financial support is available.)
- The **PTA Meeting/Orientation Fair** will be held in September 2025.
- The PTA has many opportunities for **volunteers** . We are currently seeking committee members for the upcoming school year.
- **Elementary PTA Meetings** are held on the 1st Tuesday of every month.

Stonegate PTA Board

2024 - 2025

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CONNECT WITH THE PTA

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PTA

Tour

Time!

**Please make sure you visit
the information tables in
the gym.**

- ★ School Registration
- ★ Turn in Health Forms
- ★ Join the PTA
- ★ Global Childcare Information
- ★ Q & A from Special Education
- ★ Try our school lunch