



Kindergarten Orientation

Welcome to Burch Charter School of Excellence

Thank you for joining us

Our Kindergarten Program

Full Day Program

- Children attend school everyday
- Two educators per Kindergarten class works as a team to support your child's learning and developmental needs.
 - Teacher and Teacher Assistant
- No nap-time



Our fabulous kindergarten team

- Ms. Davis
- Ms. Larrieux
- Ms. Phillips
- Ms. Thomas-Knowlden
- Ms. Whitaker
- Ms. Swinney



“A Day in the Life of a Kindergartener”



7:50 Arrival and Breakfast

8:15 ELA (Guided Reading)

9:10 PE (Twice a week)/ Tech/Spanish/ Art/

Spanish

10:00 Reading

10:45 Lunch/ Recess

11:30 Writing

12:15 Math

2:00 Science

2:45 Social Studies

3:15 Dismissal

Units of Study

- Language Arts
 - Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing
- Math
 - Common Core Curriculum
- Social Studies
 - Home and School (rules and routines) Maps and Me, Road Trip USA (American Symbols) The Market (goods and services)
- Science
 - What is a Scientist/Engineer? Weather and Climate, Pushes and Pulls, Ecosystems
- Health
 - Social and Emotional, Nutrition and Fitness, Safety, Injury and Illness Prevention

PBIS @ Burch Charter Elementary School

Respect Self

Respect Others

Respect Property

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What is PBIS

- PBIS focuses on acknowledging students for consistent positive behaviors.
- Staff and students build positive relationships.
- Routines and language are consistent throughout the school.

Class Dojo Points/ PBSIS Tickets

- Class DoJo points are incentives that are earned throughout the school day.
- When a student demonstrates the expected behaviors (Respecting self, others, and property) they receive a Tickets/DoJo points. They are redeemed for incentives in the classroom, team, or school-wide.

How can parents support PBIS at home?

- Talk with your child about what it means to respect self, others and property at home.
- Focus on the positive things that your child does at home and talk about why these behaviors are important to you.
- Assist teachers in the classroom with management of the PBIS program if needed.

Snack and Lunches

- All snacks and lunches need to be nut free.
- Nutritious- yogurt, apple sauce, cheese, crackers, fruit and vegetables.
- Water for snacks, juice boxes or milk for lunch.
- Easy to open containers, labelled with child's name.
- Food that does not require heating
- Prepare lunches and snacks the night before.

School Wide Breakfast Program

- Breakfast is offered to our students everyday.
- Participation in breakfast is completely voluntary
- There is no charge for breakfast.
- Breakfast is offered from 7:50-8:15.
- Students should arrive in time to eat breakfast so that the instructional day can begin promptly at 8:20.

Prepackaged breakfast items include cereal, juice, pancakes or muffins. Milk is offered separately.



Washroom and Self-help Routines

- At school, children:
 - 1) Use restroom independently
 - 2) Wash hands with soap
 - 3) Dress and Undress
 - A. Zippers
 - B. Buttons
 - C. Coat, boots, shoes

Recess

- **Recess is 20 minutes long.**
- **Children will go outside in winter as long as the temperature is above 45 degrees.**
- **Be sure children are dressed for outdoor play. (appropriate shoes and clothing)**
- **Children are expected to respond to the whistle by coming to line immediately. (safety precaution)**



Specials

Art – Mr. Simmonds



Music– Mr. Callo



Technology – Coach Green



Birthday Celebrations



- ✓ Non-food items such as party favors, playdough, stickers
- ✓ Contact your child's teacher before sending items
- ✓ Party invitations should be sent from home rather than given out at school



Field Trips



We will go to the farm in the fall and a theatre in the spring.

- All students must return permission slips to attend.**
- Chaperone sign up will be on the field trip permission slip form.**
- Chaperones must sign and return chaperone form.**



School Supplies



- ❖ Please send in school supplies!
- ❖ Accidents can occur... please send an extra set of clothing in a bag labeled with your child's name.
- ❖ We will periodically ask for extra supplies such as tissues, glue sticks and baggies.

Parent Involvement

- Working with your child at home
 - Read stories daily
 - Discuss the characters, setting, and plot
 - Make connections from personal experiences
 - www.starfall.com
 - www.abcya.com
- Make Math Moments
- Count objects
- Use math vocabulary (more, less, equal)
- <http://www.pbs.org/parents/earlymath/index.html>
- Assist with Homework daily

Have your child practice...

- Tying their shoe laces
- Zipping and buttoning their jackets
- Opening juice boxes and food bags
- Writing their name



Arrival and Dismissal

- Be at school on time in the morning and pick up child after school on time.
- Drop Off Time = 7:50 am
- Drop Off Location = Main Entrance

- Pick Up Time = 3:15 pm
- Pick Up Location = Gymnasium

First Day of School

- Make the first day fun with a special breakfast.
- Get up early to get everything done without rushing.
- Be Calm.
- Talk about the fun things he/she will be doing.
- Be on time to school.

Saying Goodbye on the First Day

- Introduce your child to the teachers.
- Give your child hug, kiss and say goodbye.
- Practice your goodbye routine ahead of time.
- Reassure your child that you know he'll/ she'll be okay and that you will see him/ her at the end of the day!

THANK YOU FOR COMING!!

We look forward to a fabulous year!

