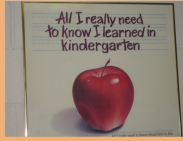


Kindergarten Information Night



January 25, 2018
7:30 PM
Spruce Run School

Welcome to our Family!

- Community of learners and leaders
- Our goal: happy and safe students, involved and informed parents, positive school environment!
- Please stay in communication with us

Introductions

- Ronda Ferri, General Education Teacher
- Erika Klausz, General Education Teacher
- Ellen Layton, Special Education Teacher
- Kelly Petrucelli, General Education Teacher
- Jennifer Tarnoski, General Education Teacher
- Carol Russoniello, General Education Teacher
- Faith Fuhrman, Nurse
- Melissa Goad, Principal

Supportive Environment

- Parent/Teacher Association
- Clinton Township Foundation for Educational Excellence

Spruce Run Kindergarten Full Day Program

- 8:50-3:10 PM
- Each class will have snack, and lunch will be served daily.

Our Program

- Aligned to NJ DOE Kindergarten Guidelines and Common Core State Standards
- Low class sizes
- Safety/Supervision of students
- Early Dismissal/Delayed Openings
- Refer to 2018-2019 District Calendar when published
- Technology enhanced classrooms
- Peanut/Tree Nut free classrooms

Co-teaching Classes

- Clinton Township is an inclusion district.
- Students with special needs are educated in classes with typically developing peers.
- Children with special needs are included and supported in a regular education classroom.
- Additional supports are available as needed.

Sample Schedule

Arrival Procedures
Morning Meeting
Social Skills
Reader's Workshop
Academic Center Time
Snack
Math
Outdoor Recess
Lunch
Quiet Time (resting or independent reading)
Read Aloud
Handwriting
Writers' Workshop
Academic Choice Time with Ongoing Investigations/Project Work
Specials
Closing Meeting and Sharing

Responsive Classroom

- The philosophy of Responsive Classroom is to teach children the social skills they need in order to be successful both academically and socially.
- Our school rules are developed from this social curriculum: Take Care of Yourself, Take Care of Others, Take Care of Your Environment.

Morning Meeting

- Morning Meeting is a major component of Responsive Classroom.
- Morning Meetings consist of:
 - Greeting
 - Sharing
 - Activity
 - Daily message

Readers Workshop in Kindergarten

Children are instructed in reading throughout the year through the following Readers Workshop activities:

- Daily reading (at school and at home)
- Big books, songs and poems
- Reading the daily message
- Sight words & word wall
- Read-alouds with integrated comprehension skills
- Leveled Book Bins
- Small group and individual reading instruction
- Author Study

Writers Workshop in Kindergarten

- Correct formation of uppercase and lowercase letters
- Power words
- Stretching out words
- Spacing
- Capitalization and punctuation
- Various genres of writing are studied and practiced
- Writing Workshop

Kindergarten Math Skills



- Know number names and count sequence through counting, matching, and writing
- Count to tell the number of objects
- Understand the concepts of addition and subtraction
- Compare numbers
- Foundations for place value
- Describe and compare measurable attributes
- Identify and describe geometric shapes
- Order and classify objects by their attributes
- Estimate answers using mathematical reasoning
- Use nonstandard and standard measuring tools



Special Area Classes



- Kindergarten students have a special area class every day.
- The classes are Physical Education, Art, Music, Library, Technology and World Language.
- We have an enrichment teacher who also works with children on special projects, school-wide and in the classrooms.



Parent Volunteers



- At Spruce Run School we have a large number of volunteers that work in our classrooms.
- How often volunteers are in and what they do during their visits are left to the discretion of individual teachers.
- Parents are required to attend a Volunteer Training. These trainings are ONLINE.



Kindergarten Registration

- Registration Documents are due by 2/28
- Registration Week: 3/5 @ SRS
- Screening Appointments time slots will be e-mailed
- Please visit the website for registration documents
- Families will meet with a secretary to review registration documents and the school nurse to review health requirements, and students will meet with a teacher for a brief screening assessment/activity
- If additional time is needed with the nurse, please schedule a time

A word from the Health Office

- Faith Fuhrman, RN, MSN
Certified School Nurse

Required Documents

- Immunization records
- Physical exam forms (physical exam done within 365 days of starting school in September)
- Health History Form
- Special forms for medication administration in school

Getting Ready for School!

- Review "Common Development Characteristics" pamphlet.
- Families are invited to a summer orientation at Spruce Run School so children can become familiar with the school, meet teachers, and ride the bus!
- Information will be sent home at the end of the summer.

Thank You!

- Thank you for attending Kindergarten Information Night at Spruce Run School
- Questions for teachers???
- Please tour and visit classrooms!
