

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Willow Glen and the full day K5 program. We are looking forward to meeting you and are confident that our kindergarten program will be an enriching and exciting experience for your child.

Our kindergarten program is based on the developmental needs of your child. Your child will have many experiences in music, art, drama and literature. There will be many opportunities to socialize and make new friends while exploring and interacting with the school environment.

Learning to be independent and responsible is an important and integral part of every child's growth process. We realize that the transition from home to school can be stressful. With patience and understanding we can ease your child into the school routine. You can help prepare for that exciting first day by talking about school, by walking to school to see the building and playground, by reading stories about starting school and making new friends, and most importantly, by giving assurance that someone will be waiting after school.

Below you will find a list of the school supplies needed for the coming year. Since crayons, markers pencils, scissors and glue will be placed in small group containers to be shared, there is no need to purchase a school box or to label supplies, other than the watercolor set, scissors, resting mat and art shirt. We have found that this method of organization promotes positive qualities and behaviors. Learning to share and care for supplies contributes to a sense of community and caring. Children learn to be responsible for the materials they use and begin to understand how their actions affect the well being of their classmates. This system of organization also allows more time for on-task learning activities and decreases set-up and clean-up time.

SUPPLIES

Your child will need the following supplies:

- 1 box of tissues to share
- 1 4oz Elmer's School Glue bottles
- Fiskars Scissors with points
- 6 pencils
- 1 pink pearl eraser
- 1 box of 24 Crayola crayons
- 2 boxes of 8 wide Crayola markers-**STANDARD COLORS ONLY**
- Prang or Crayola watercolor paints
- Waterproof school bag, no wheels please
- Old daddy T-shirt for art shirt (No button shirts please)
- Plastic resting mat (no rugs, pillows, yoga mats or sleeping bags please)
- 2 large glue sticks
- 2 black chisel tip dry erase markers
- 1 white cotton sock for dry erase board
- 2 pocket folders
- Set of extra clothes to be kept at school for emergencies

Sincerely,
Mrs. Dropik
Mrs. Hintz
Mrs. Koch
Mrs. Sanfilippo