

Valley Road School
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Valley Road School Kindergarten Procedures

1. The school day will be a full school day. Hours are 8:40-2:55 pm. Supervised drop off starts at 8:25am.
2. Kindergarten children will enter school through the 2nd set of outside doors along the office driveway side of the school. Students will line up in the hall near classrooms 4 and 5. The class in room 20 will line up in the hallway across from room 4. Fifth grade Safety Patrol members and teacher assistants will monitor students until classes begin. Only the students should enter the building. If parents prefer they can wait outside the entrance door with their child until homeroom begins.
3. Dismissal for Kindergarten students in room 4 and 5 is through the kindergarten classroom doors located outside the classrooms (facing Valley Road). The class in room 20 will exit outside the doors facing the field and the playground.
4. FIRST DAY ARRIVAL: On the first day of school parents/guardians are welcome to escort their children to their classrooms. This is a practice that is encouraged for all students, but only on the first day.
5. On the first day of school children should come with a backpack that can hold a 9 X 12 folder and a snack (brown bag or lunchbox). They could bring snacks on the first day. Snack should include a drink and healthy foods. At the start of the first full week of school, you will have the option of ordering and purchasing milk for your child. Details about the process for the purchase of milk will be included in the important papers that come home the first day of school. Lunch procedures are available and also will be sent home. Children may purchase or bring their lunch. It is helpful if the students can open the packages that contain their lunch foods.
6. If you are not familiar with the morning arrival or the afternoon dismissal you need to know that these are two very busy times for car traffic and parking. You are encouraged to park your car in the parking lot or along Valley Road, across the street on Liberty Street, or along Schmidt Lane, and to walk up to the building to meet your children. Please avoid parking on Blake Drive near the entry area. In the morning you also have the option of remaining in your car and lining up for drop off, rather than parking and walking up to the building. Should you decide to use the drop off line procedure, please follow the drop off procedures included. For safety, do not leave your child unsupervised at any time. The school doors will not open until 10-15 minutes before arrival for the morning. Supervised drop off starts at 8:25 am.
7. Kindergarten in 2020-2021.
 - a. Full-Day
 - b. Lunch
 - c. Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies are the main subjects.
 - d. Structure Play and Free Play
 - e. Outside Play
 - f. Instruction
 1. Small Group Instruction
 2. Centers
 3. Whole class instruction.
 - g. Quiet Time