

The illustration depicts a vibrant school scene. On the left is a red schoolhouse with a bell tower. In the foreground, children are playing and talking. A yellow school bus is on the right with a boy on a skateboard. The background features rolling hills with colorful trees and a purple sky with white clouds.

Kindergarten Orientation Class of 2024

Hanna Woods Elementary School
May 23, 2011

Welcome!

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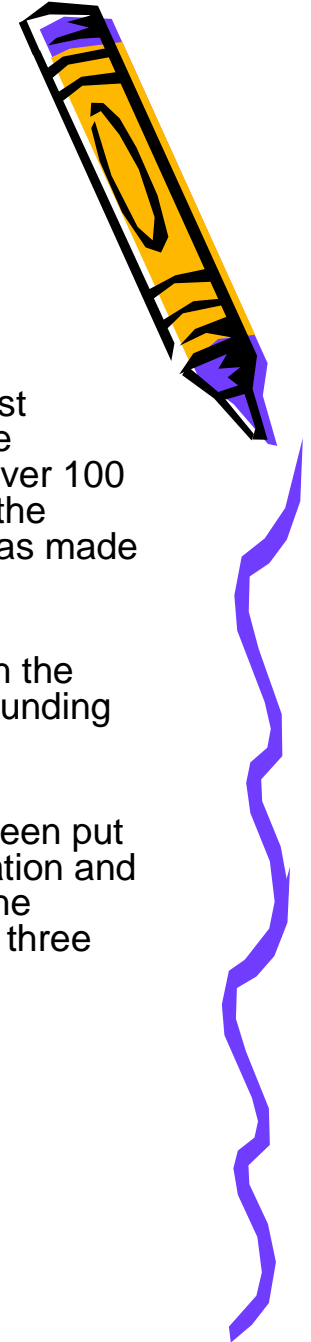


First Day in Kindergarten



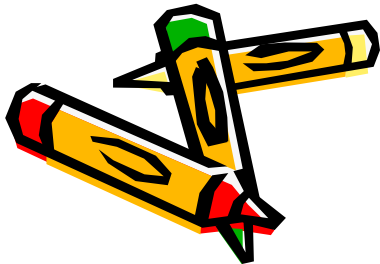
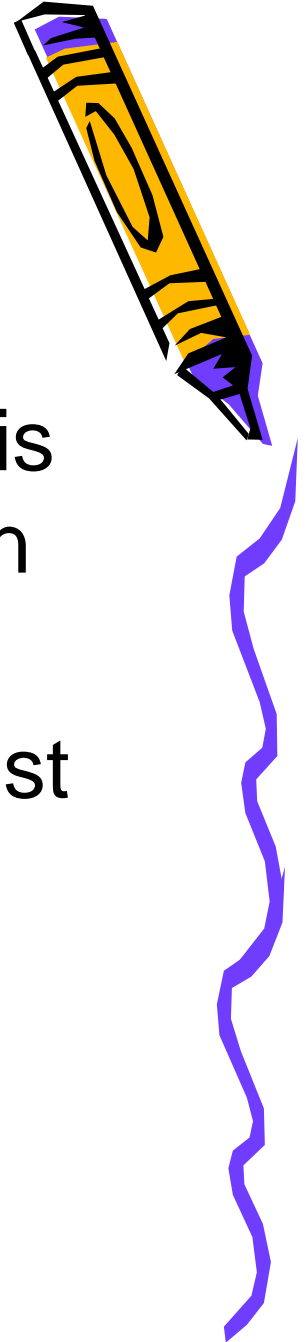
Full-Day Kindergarten

- The Kindergarten Study was launched in the fall of 2009 to review research and best practices in the development of a quality Kindergarten program that aligned with the mission and vision of the Parkway School District. During the Kindergarten study, over 100 teachers and administrators studied leading researchers and authors to determine the viability and importance of offering a full-day program. After the recommendation was made to the Board of Education, the study committee turned their focus to development.
- The recommendation and adoption of Full-day kindergarten put Parkway in line with the majority of districts in the state of Missouri, and provided nearly 3 million dollars in funding without an overall budget increase.
- Since the adoption of full-day kindergarten, a significant amount of resources has been put into development of a challenging and viable curriculum that will provide the foundation and scaffolding necessary for all children to be successful later in elementary school. The culmination of this development will be the Kindergarten Institute which will provide three days of intensive development for teachers and administrators.



Getting Started in Kindergarten

- Registration and Health Information is available through PDF documents on our website
- Bus Orientation will be held on August 9 at 1:30 p.m.
- 1st Day of School is August 16, 2011



Curriculum

- Everything I Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten
- Full Day vs. Half Day Program
- Parent Expectations
- By the end of Kindergarten...



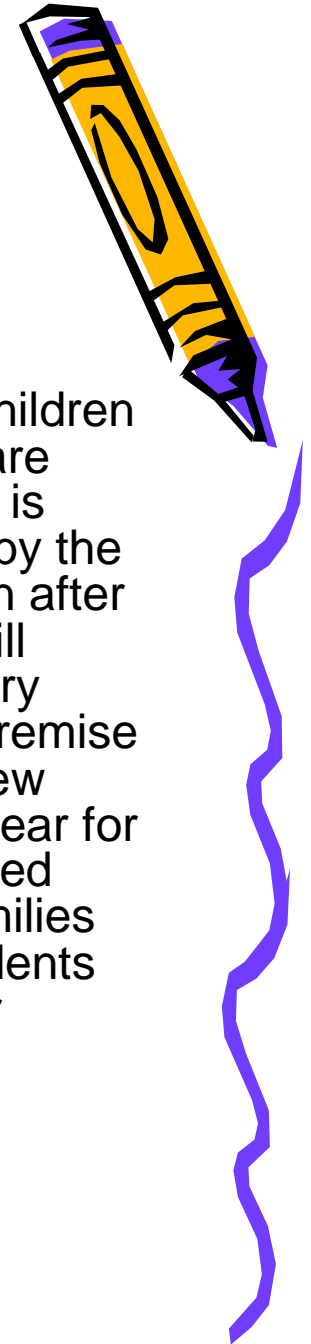
By the end of Kindergarten...

- Kindergarten children begin the year at different developmental stages. Each child is unique. We teachers will meet the child's academic needs and influence the academic potential within him or her. Your child will end the year ready to meet the challenges for 1st grade.
- In writing the student will:
 - Attempt to tell a story using a beginning, middle and end
 - Use details in words and pictures
 - Write in a one thought sentence or multiple simple thoughts sentences
 - Attempt to use semi-phonemic spelling, spaces between words and punctuation
- In reading the student will monitor:
 - Directionality
 - One-one match (word by word)
 - Noticing and interpreting detail in pictures
 - Remembering and using language patterns
 - Known words in text (20 sight words)
 - Predictions (what makes sense)
- In math the student will know:
 - One-to-one correspondence
 - Cardinality
 - Conservation (number of objects in a group is the same, regardless of their arrangement or order in which they're counted).
 - Simple equations
 - Hierarchical inclusion (numbers are composed of smaller parts and can be decomposed into useful parts (Hierarchical inclusion)).
 - Equivalence
 - Compensation (break numbers into pieces and put them back together to build other numbers).



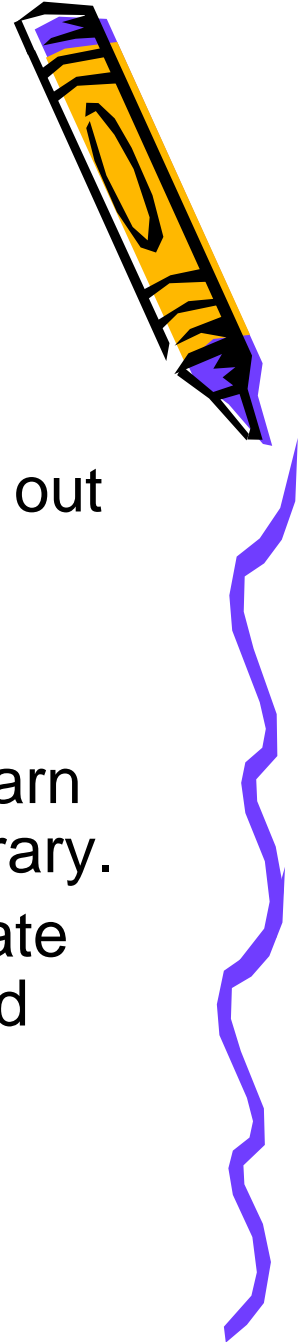
Early Intervention Program

- EIS is an early intervention program designed for kindergarten children and will be funded by Title I next year. All kindergarten children are assessed at the very beginning of the school year. The data that is collected through these assessments is very carefully screened by the EIS Selection Committee. The committee chooses eight children after looking at this data to be in the half day program that they feel will benefit the most from being in a small group setting offering a very language rich environment. The EIS program is built upon the premise that families will be very active in helping their children in their new learning. There are three family nights planned throughout the year for EIS children and their families to attend. In addition, literacy based activities are sent home each week so that children and their families can work on them together. Research has shown that most students who have participated in the EIS program are reading near, at or above grade level by the end of the school year.



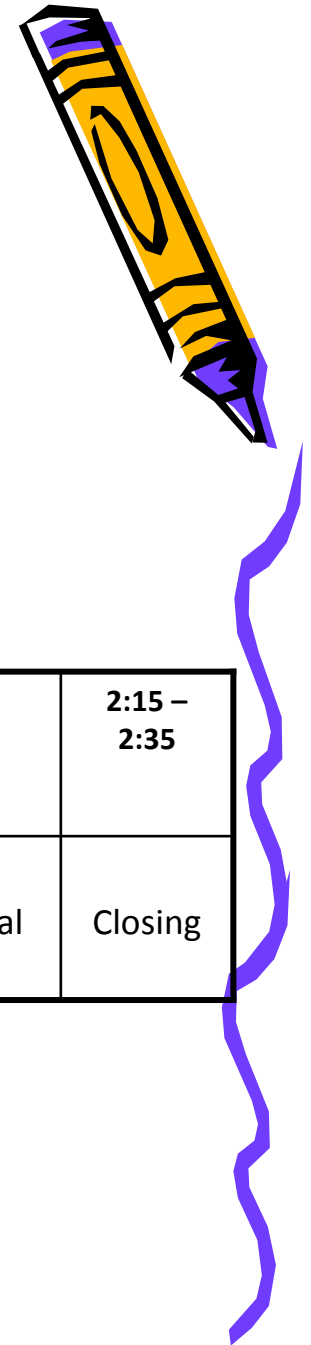
Library

- Students will go to the library once a week at a specified time. Students will be allowed to check out books as long as books are returned in a timely manner.
- During library time, they will share stories, draw stories, hear about award-winning books, and learn about the organization and procedures of the library.
- Kindergarten teachers and librarian will collaborate on all lessons that will be tied to kindergarten and library curriculum guide.

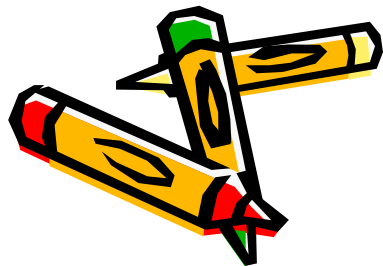


Kindergarten

Schedule is a draft and subject to change.

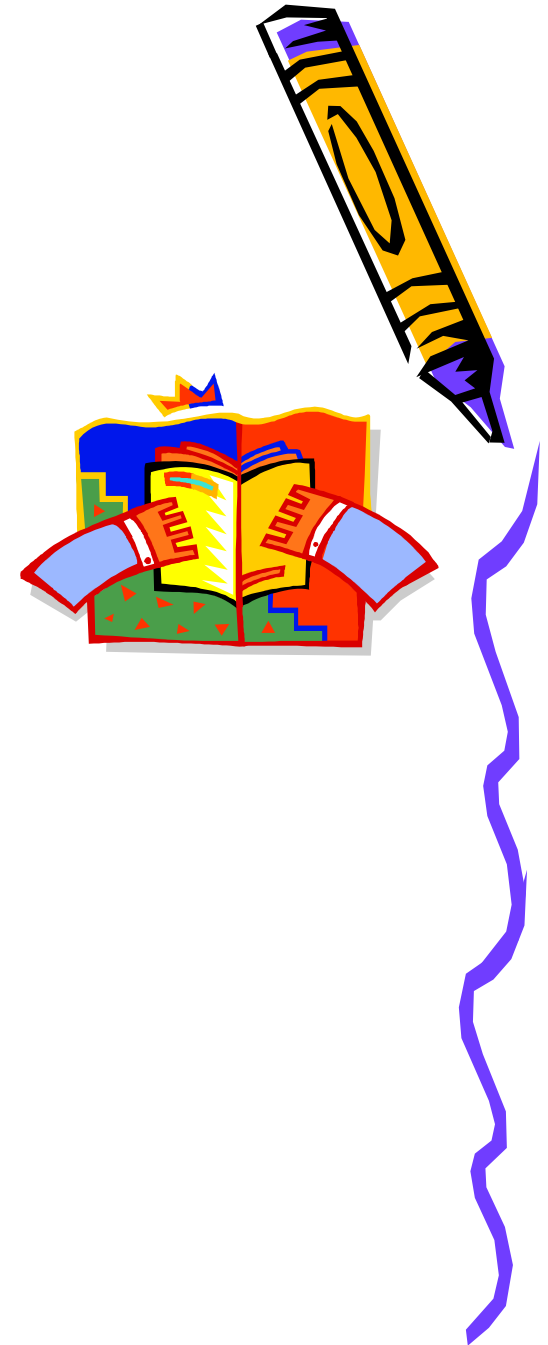


7:40 – 9:15	9:15 – 10:15	10:15 – 11:05	11:05 – 11:20	11:20 – 12:20	12:20 – 1:00	1:00 – 2:15	2:15 – 2:35
Opening/ Math	Reading Workshop	Specials	Recess	Writing Workshop/ Interventions	LUNCH	Developmental Centers	Closing



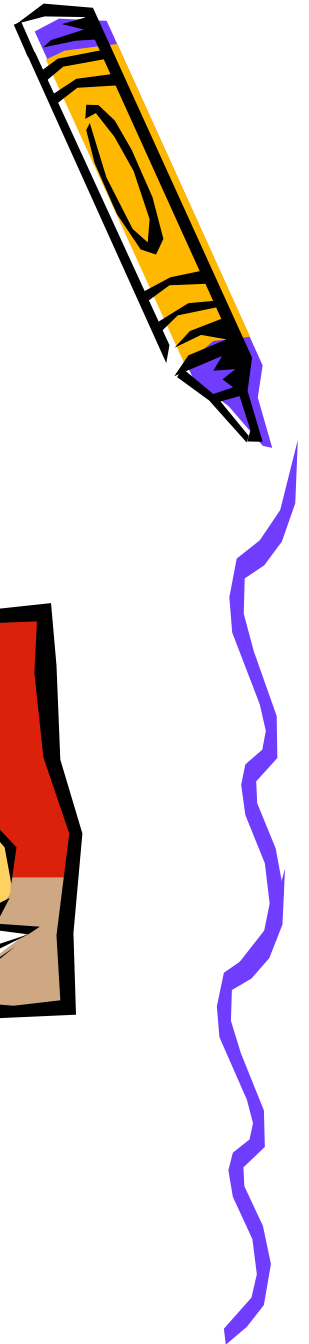
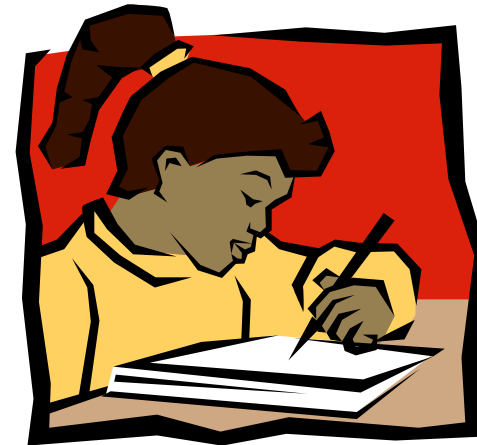
Summer School

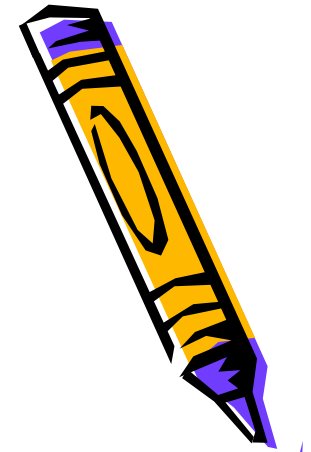
- **Classes begin:** June 6th - July 1st
- **Hours:** 8am-12pm
- **Transportation:** Shuttlebus will pick Hanna students up at Hanna Woods and drop kids off at Wren Hollow and then return students to Hanna at 12:15pm
- **Cost:** \$30
- **Course Design:** Students remain in Kdg all 4 hours. They do not change classes.
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- **Jumpstart to Kindergarten Description:**
- This 4 hour class is designed for children entering Kindergarten in the Fall of 2011. Children will have the opportunity to become familiar with the kindergarten experience through activities that will promote the development of literacy, math, art and music abilities as well as social and fine motor skills. Classroom and school routines will also be addressed in order to provide the students with an encouraging and supportive transition to kindergarten. Children must be 5 years old before August 1, 2011. A copy of the child's birth certificate must accompany the registration.



Play-Based Screening

- Play-based screening provides parents with a snapshot of your child's developmental progress and helps school staff determine the educational needs of your child.
- June 1 and 2 @ Oakbrook Elementary
- An appointment is required





Questions?
Please contact Hanna Woods
staff at 314-415-6300



We're looking forward to seeing
you on August 16th!

