

WILLIAM E. NORRIS SCHOOL

A PeaceBuilder School

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Dear Future Kindergarten Parents and Guardians:

The kindergarten teachers and I eagerly anticipate your child beginning their education at the William E. Norris School. We realize that entering kindergarten is a time of transition filled with mixed emotions for both parents and children. Although there is a great deal of excitement about beginning school, we also recognize that leaving home for full day kindergarten may carry with it some anxiety.

We have established three separate events to help alleviate parent and student anxiety. The first event, the **Parent Orientation Meeting**, is an evening presentation designed to answer the questions of parents new to the Norris School. The second event, **Kindergarten Student Screening/Registration**, is a brief assessment to assist teachers in classroom placement and a review of registration paperwork. Current Norris preschool students do **not** need to make a screening/registration appointment. The third event, **Student Kindergarten Visitation**, is a daytime event geared toward next year's kindergarteners and takes some of the mystery out of starting school.

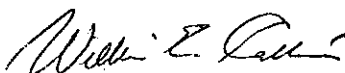
Kindergarten registration paperwork can be downloaded from our website www.wmnorris.com. Click on general information and the kindergarten link. The forms complete the registration packet (the medical forms may be turned in at a later date depending on when your child's physical is scheduled). Kindergarten packets are also available at the Norris school office. The registration packet along with an **original birth certificate** (copies must be made from an original birth certificate, which is then returned to you) should be returned to the school at your screening/registration appointment.

It is my hope that you will join us for each event:

- **Parent Orientation Meeting in the cafeteria**
Monday, April 9th at 6:30PM
- **Kindergarten Student Screening & Registration – by appointment only!**
Thursday April 26th, Monday April 30th, Thursday May 3rd, Thursday May 24th
Please call to schedule your ½ hour appointment!
- **Student Visitation and Bus Ride**
Thursday, June 7th at 10:00 AM

We pride ourselves on our kindergarten program. I am convinced that the dedication of our faculty and staff will make you glad that you chose the Norris School to begin your child's educational journey. Do not hesitate to call the school office at 527-0811 between 8:00 and 4:00 with any kindergarten related questions. Please let us know if you are unable to attend either event or if your child will not be attending the Norris School kindergarten. We look forward to meeting you and your kindergartener.

Sincerely,


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