

All I Really Needed to Know, I Learned in Kindergarten!!



C. T. Walker Traditional Magnet School
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Kindergarten School Supplies

Please send these items with your child on the first day of school:

- Kid friendly headphones (NO earbuds)
- 1 -Book bag (no rolling book bags),
- 1 -nap mat (prefer the plastic covers so we can disinfect)
- 1 - bath size towel for nap (no blankets or stuffed animals)
- One pair of blunt scissors
- 1 - 8 pack of large washable crayons
- 2 - 16 or 24 count regular crayons
- 24 glue sticks
- 12 Chubby Primary Pencils-Ticonderoga Brand
- 2 Primary Composition books (primary writing lines on the bottom half with open space on top for drawing pictures)
- 2 packs 3x5 index cards
- 2- Pink pet Erasers
- 1 pkg washable markers
- LARGE zippered pencil pouch (no boxes please)
- 1 pkg yellow copy paper or white cardstock
- hand sanitizer
- ziplock bags- (BOYS; gallon and sandwich size) (GIRLS; 2 gallon and quart size)
- flushable wipes
- disinfecting wipes(we need lots of these)
- Kleenex tissue
- Paper towels

***The following supplies may be requested by your child's teacher

- 2 pocket PLASTIC portfolio (one of each color; yellow, blue, orange)
- 2 one subject spiral notebooks

Supplies to be purchased from school at the beginning of the year;

- Kindergarten Nicky Folder (\$2.00)
- Agenda (Cost TBD)

Recommended Supply list for Homework-please have these items available at home to complete daily homework.

- Pencils
- Erasers
- Crayons
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Writing paper; manuscript lines
- Computer and access to the internet. The public library has computers and internet access if you do not have access at home.

C. T. Walker Kinderplaid Uniform

- Kindergarten Students wear uniforms on Mondays, Fridays, Fall Picture day, Class picture day, and Fieldtrip Days.
- Please check with your child's teacher if you are having difficulties obtaining a uniform. We have extra jumpers available in a few sizes.
- Girls-kinderplaid jumper or skirt with white blouse. Please make sure girls wear shorts under any dress. Please consider ordering one size larger because they will grow before the end of the year.
- Boys - blue pants or shorts (can be purchased in the uniform department at any store), white collared shirt with kinderplaid tie.
- Uniforms can be purchased at Carter's Uniforms, LLC
Email: info@cartersuniformsllc.com
Website: cartersuniformsllc.com
Phone: 706-667-8016 press 2

Kindergarten Academic Readiness Skills

This is a list of academic skills your child should be working on in the year before going to kindergarten. Although your child does not need to have mastered these skills before kindergarten, it is very important that he/she has a good grasp on these concepts.

Skills to Work on with Your Child

Math

- Counting orally to 100
- Recognizing numbers 0-20
- Recognizing and naming basic shapes (square, rectangle, circle, triangle)
- Recognize eight basic colors
- Sorting objects by color, shape, size, and type

Language

- Recognizing upper and lowercase letters
- Recognizing letter sounds
- Listening to stories
- Retelling stories
- Recognizing Rhyming words
- Recognizing Syllables

Personal Skills

- Say his/her full name
- Say his/her parents' first names
- Write his/her first name correctly with first letter only capitalized (ex: Mary, not MARY) Practice paper available at www.handwritingworksheets.com
- Tell another person his/her address and phone number
- Button and zip independently for bathroom use
- Independently take care of bathroom needs
- Follow directions
- Ask for help when needed

Activities to Build These Skills

- Cut out pictures and coupons in magazines and newspapers
- Sort and count cereals (Lucky Charms, Fruit Loops, etc.) and candy (Skittles, M&M's, etc)
- Play games such as Memory, Go Fish, and Hi! Ho! Cherry-O with other children
- Read to your child daily and ask him/her questions about the story
- Encourage your child to draw pictures about what you read
- Practice opening lunch and snack packages independently
- Practice zipping, buttoning, and tying shoes

**Remember to find out about Story Time at the public library.

Please use the attached Reading Log to record all the books you and your child have read this summer. The reading logs should be turned in on the first day of school.

First Day Jitters for Kindergarteners

Laurie Montgomery-Guidance Counselor at C. T. Walker

Here are some books about going to school:

First Day Jitters by Julie Danneberg

Berenstain Bears Go to School by Stan and Jan Berenstain

Froggy Goes to School by Jonathon London

Do I Have to Go to School?: A First Look at Starting School (A First Look at...Series) by Pat Thomas and Lesley Harker

Kindergarten Rocks! by Katie Davis

Countdown to Kindergarten by Alison McGhee and Harry Bliss

Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten by Joseph Slate

Important Tips for Parents

1. Remember, students are very busy at school each day. Sleep and routine are very important factors in mood and patience. It is so important to be on time and follow a regular schedule each school day.
2. Separation is hard for adults as well as children. Try to minimize your anxiety by deep breathing and positive thoughts.
3. Involve your child in planning for their first day at school.
4. Create a calendar for the first month of school and have your child illustrate it.
5. Have your child draw a picture after their first day at school illustrating their friends and their teacher.
6. Every child is different developmentally and it may take longer for some children to make the adjustment to school. Give them a week or two to work out their anxiety. Keep communication open with the teacher and staff.
7. Feel free to call, email or come and see the counselors, Ms. Lee or Mrs. Montgomery, if you or your child are having a difficult time with the transition. 706-823-6950, ext. 5. Email contacts: montgla@Richmond.k12.ga.us or leeke@Richmond.k12.ga.us.

8. You may walk your child to class the first day of school, however plan to begin the routine of going through car line or saying goodbye at the front door, the next day. This will help them be less stressed and more independent.

When should my child stay home?

If students have any of the following symptoms, they should stay home:

**Fever of 100 or over
Vomiting
Diarrhea
Eye infection
Communicable disease**

**Severe headache
Persistent cough
Ear aches
Rash
Head lice**

Students must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school. Students must have a written excuse for any absence. If students require medication during the school day, a doctor needs to provide written permission (forms are available at school). The school must be notified regarding the type of medicine and the frequency of administration. The medicine must be brought to school in the original container and remain in the school office.

- If a child will not be in school, please call the office or email your child's teacher. If a child has a communicable disease, he/she may be required to obtain a doctor's release before returning to school.

A healthy daily routine will ensure that students are ready and able to take on the rigors of a day at school.

- Get a good night's rest (10 to 12 hours is recommended)
- Eat a balanced diet
- Use the bathroom sanitarily
- Brush teeth in the morning and evening
- Wear practical clothing and footwear (Please mark name clearly on all clothing)
- Wear tennis shoes on P. E. days.
- Can tie own shoes

Things to Remember

- Send money in an envelope with your child's name, the teacher's name, and purpose written on the outside.
- Please make sure the student wears his/her bus, daycare van, pickup or walkup tag each day.
- Please read all notes from school carefully.
- Check the student's folder and book bag every day.

Summer Reading

For your summer reading log, please read with your child for 20 minutes each day. Record at least 15 of the books you read. Please feel free to read personal books or books from the public library. If you would like some suggestions for books or authors here are a few from the public library, our teachers, and students.

Book	Favorite Authors
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Dinner at the Panda Palace</i> • <i>Henry and Mudge</i> • <i>The Adventures of the Dish and the Spoon</i> • <i>The House on East 88th Street</i> • <i>Lilly's Big Day</i> • <i>The Little Red Hen</i> • <i>Minnie's Diner: a Multiplying Menu</i> • <i>Edward and the Pirate</i> • <i>Wolf!</i> • <i>The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs</i> • <i>Ten Little Rabbits</i> • <i>Goodnight, Moon</i> • <i>Curious George</i> • <i>Ira Sleeps Over</i> • <i>Fancy Nancy</i> • <i>Pinkalicious</i> • <i>Napping House</i> • <i>Skippyjon Jones</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Seuss • Laura Numeroff • Stan and Jan Berenstain • Kevin Henkes • David Shannon • Mo Williams • Mercer Mayer • Jamie Lee Curtis • Robert Munsch • Tomie dePaola • Ezra Jack Keats • Norman Bridwell

Nursery Rhymes and Fairy Tales ARE ALWAYS a great option!

Name: _____

My Reading Log

	Date	Title	Author	Minutes	Parent Signature
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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15.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____



Anything can happen...
when you open a book!