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



C. T. Walker Traditional Magnet School 1301 Wrightsboro Road Augusta, Ga. 30901

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Kindergarten School Supplies

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

- 1 -Book bag (no rolling book bags),
- 1 -nap mat
- 1 bath size towel for nap (no blankets or stuffed animals)
- One pair of blunt scissors
- 2 -24 count regular crayons
- 12 glue sticks
- 12 Chubby Primary Pencils-Ticonderoga Brand
- 3 2 pocket PLASTIC portfolio (one of each color; red, orange, yellow, blue)
- 2 PRIMARY Composition books (primary writing lines on the bottom half with open space on top for drawing pictures)
- 2 single subject spiral notebook
- 2 packs 3x5 index cards (one pack white & one pack color
- 2- Pink pet Erasers
- 1 pkg washable markers
- 1-Large plain zippered pencil pouch (no boxes please)
- 1 pkg yellow copy paper or white cardstock
- hand sanitizer
- ziplock bags(sandwich, quart, or gallon)
- baby wipes
- flushable wipes
- disinfecting wipes(we need lots of these)
- Kleenex tissue
- Paper towels
- Headphones NO earbuds

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

- Kindergarten Nicky Folder (\$2.00)
- Agenda

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

- Pencils
- Crayons
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Writing paper
- Computer and access to the internet. The public library has computers and internet access.

C. T. Walker Kinderplaid Uniform

- Kindergarten Students wear uniforms on Mondays, Fridays, and Fieldtrip Days.
- Please check with your child's teacher if you are having difficulties obtaining a uniform.
- 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.
- Kinderplaid can be purchased online with Carter's Uniform LLC.
 Please find them on facebook or call 706-667-8016. Please start calling or contacting them as soon as possible because of possible shipping delays.
- You can also contact the school or your child's teacher for gently used uniforms.

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, trianale)

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

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
Follow directions

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

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

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

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 Severe headache Vomitina Persistent cough Diarrhea Ear aches Eye infection Rash Communicable disease 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. Teachers and school are not responsible for money that is not turned in or labeled for a specific purchase.
- 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.

Books	Favorite Authors		
 Dinner at the Panda Palace Henry and Mudge The Adventures of the Dish and the Spoon The House on East 88th Street Lilly's Big Day The Little Red Hen Minnie's Diner: a Multiplying Menu Edward and the Pirate Wolf! The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs Ten Little Rabbits Goodnight, Moon Curious George Ira Sleeps Over Fancy Nancy Pinkalicious Napping House Skippyjon Jones 	 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!

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