



Dear Up and Coming Kindergartners,

We are so excited for you to come to Kindergarten next Fall here at Netzaberg Elementary School! We have compiled a list of skills that we hope you can already do or will work on over the summer.

In Kindergarten we will be conducting home visits the first week of school and have a "Staggered Start" to help the kids acclimate to Kindergarten here at school. These 2 programs will help students feel more comfortable with their first school experience and it gives teachers the opportunity to meet and devote individualized attention to their new students.

It is going to be a great school year and we look forward to meeting you and your Kindergarten student! Please look over the list that we have attached and work on those skills over the summer so your child is ready for a successful Kindergarten year.

We look forward to a wonderful year,

Netzaberg ES Kindergarten Teachers

### Maturity/ Self-help skills

- \_\_\_ Dress self
- \_\_\_ Able to put on coat/ shoes etc. even if not able to button/zip or tie  
(Be able to zip clothing items)
- \_\_\_ Be able to separate from mom/family for most of the day
- \_\_\_ Able to sit for 15 min. quietly
- \_\_\_ Being able to say first and last name
- \_\_\_ Manage bathroom needs independently
- \_\_\_ Can walk in line
- \_\_\_ Can follow 2-3 step directions

### Fine motor/gross motor skills

- \_\_\_ Be able to write some of the letters
- \_\_\_ Grip a pencil, crayon, or marker correctly  
(With thumb and forefinger supporting the tip)
- \_\_\_ Use scissors, glue, and other art materials with relative ease

### Pre-reading/math/ skills

- \_\_\_ Recognize first name. (Knows own name when shown)
- \_\_\_ Be able to write some of the letters.
- \_\_\_ Know some letters (Identify some letters of the alphabet)
- \_\_\_ Knows colors and some shapes
- \_\_\_ Counts to 10

#### Additional ideas to help your child be ready:

- ❖ Write child's first name using upper and lowercase letters
- ❖ Bounce a ball
- ❖ Classify objects according to their size, shape, and quantity
- ❖ Speak using complete sentences \*
- ❖ Recognize some common sight words, like stop
- ❖ Identify rhyming words
- ❖ Repeat full name, address, phone number and birthday
- ❖ Play independently or focus on one activity with a friend for up to ten minutes
- ❖ Follow directions \*
- ❖ Clean up after himself
- ❖ Listen to a story without interrupting \*



## Dates for Kindergarten 17/18 Netzaberg Elementary School

Fri., August 25

Kindergarten teachers will be calling parents to let them know their child's teacher and to set up home visits.

Meet and greet for the whole school (2-3)

Mon., August 28 -

Home Visits

Tues., August 29 -

Home Visits

Wed., August 30 -

Home Visits

Thurs., August 31 -

Home Visits

Fri., September 1 -

Home Visits

Mon. September 4 -

NO SCHOOL. Labor Day.

Tues., September 5 -

Staggered Start

Wed. September 6 -

Staggered Start

Thurs., September 7 -

1<sup>st</sup> day of Kindergarten with ALL students.