



Stepping Stones to Kindergarten (a timeline)



Dear Parents,

The information listed below is a schedule of events that BFA Elementary School has created to prepare kindergartners and parents for their first year of school.

March 16th-April 17th: Kindergarten Registration - This is the registration window for students attending kindergarten for the 2009-10 school year. Your child must be five years old on or before September 1, 2009 to attend kindergarten in the fall. Parents may pick up registration packets at our Guidance Office. Registration packets are due back on or before April 17th. Please return birth certificates and immunizations forms with your packet.

May 14th: Kindergarten Information Night- Parents are invited to an informational evening where teachers share pieces of the kindergarten curricula and answer parent questions (see flyer).

June 9th - 11th: Kindergarten Play Assessment Days- Students participate in a play/activity time so teachers may observe and assess their readiness level.

June 12th: Classroom Placement- Letters will be sent notifying parents of class and teacher placement for the following year.

September 4th: Kindergarten Open House- This is intended to ease anxieties for children and parents. This includes a bus ride!

September 2nd-4th: Individually scheduled Primary Observation Assessments (POA)- This involves sitting down with a book with a kindergarten teacher.

Components of the Assessments are:

1. Letter and word identification
2. Writing vocabulary
3. Hearing and recording sounds in words and
4. Text observation.

September 8th: First Day of Kindergarten!

