

2023-24 Kindergarten Orientation



Cristy Harris, Principal
In collaboration with KES Kindergarten Teachers

Welcome To Kindergarten



If your child is turning five on or before December 1st, 2023 then you are in the right place!

Tonight's Agenda

- School Environment
- Kindergarten Team/Important People/V.I.P
- PTO /SEPTO
- A Typical Daily Schedule
- Kindergarten Readiness
- Health and Safety
- Kindergarten Registration and Screening
- Next "Stops" For Kindergarten
- School Supplies
- PARP- Starry Story Night

School Environment

- Welcoming and Inclusive
- Social-Emotional Wellness
- Respect, Responsibility & Kindness
 - Health and Safety
 - School Spirit



PAWS for Kindness



Kindergarten Teachers

Ms. Corrigan



Mrs. Carini



Ms. McGrath

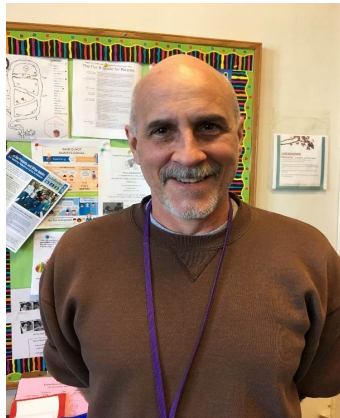


Mrs. Cambareri



Teaching Assistants will be assigned to each kindergarten class.

Important People at KES



Mr. Cook
Head Custodian



Mr. Stambaugh
Asst. Principal

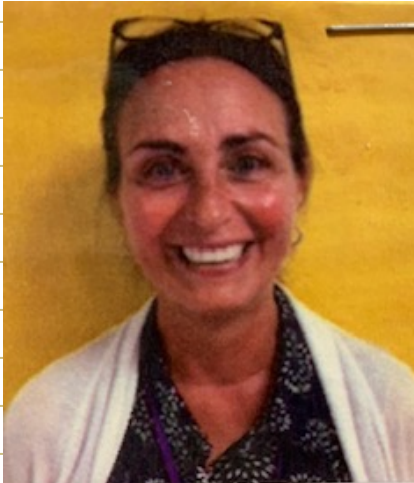


Mrs. Duffy
Secretary



Mrs. Horton
Office Assistant

Health and Safety



Nurse Rozsa



Mr. Bob Mazurak
Greeter



SRO Schlosser

V.I.P.



"Buddy"

PTO Information

An independent, third-party non-profit for ALL Katonah Elementary School families to support all students, with no dues.

- **Co-Presidents:**

- Geraldine Zikely
- Kristen Woodard

- **Visit: KESPTO.com**

- **Join: Membership Toolkit**

- Provide your info to get involved & stay connected

- **Follow Our Social Media**

- Facebook.com:
- KESParentTeacherOrg
- Groups/kes2029
- Instagram:
@kesparentteacherorg

- **Email Us: Kespto@gmail.com**



PTO EVENTS THAT MAKE KES SPECIAL



AND MORE...

KLSD SEPTO

Special Ed. Parent Teacher Organization

KES Building Representative: Tanya Sweeney

Email: neuromom@yahoo.co



"We are a welcoming community of parents who support each other in this journey we share of raising a child with special needs."

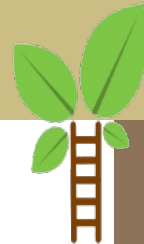


— What is SEPTO? —

If your Child.....

- has an IEP or a 504 plan, or
- is in a special education class, or
- gets “building level services” such as speech, OT, PT, “lunch bunch,” or RTI, or
- has ever needed the help of a school psychologist or social worker, or
- has severe allergies or other medical condition, or
- has to or has ever had to miss extended class time due to an injury or illness

THEN SEPTO CAN HELP YOU!

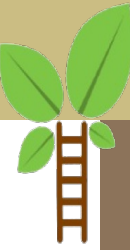


— What We Do? —

We provide information and support parents in the journey of raising a child with special needs.

We answer questions, connect students together and offer educational programming.

We host SEPTO parent/caregiver meetings monthly at the *Horse and Hound* as well as offer a variety of valuable presentations. New to SEPTO is our monthly Buddies United group. This is such a great time to buddy up with older kids from the high school and socialize but most importantly to have fun!



— Ways to Stay Informed —

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Sign up for our monthly newsletter by emailing us at info@klsepto.org

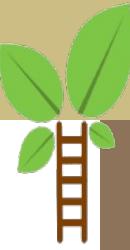
FACEBOOK

Join our private FB group
(for parents and caregivers who currently have children in the district)
@Katonah Lewisboro SEPTO Parents

Join our public FB group (all others)
@Katonah-Lewisboro Special Education PTO

WEB

Visit our website! www.klsepto.org



Fundraising and Enrichment

We are also looking for both a Fundraising and Enrichment chairperson.

Please contact us at the below email if you're interested in discussing the responsibilities.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please email info@klsepto.org

President, Liz Mailman
Vice President, Marina Zale
Treasurer, Leigh Woods
Secretary, Anne Wetzel
Member at Large, Angela Garofalo

A Typical Daily Schedule

Arrival

**Morning Meeting/“Good Morning,
KES”**

Language Arts (ELA)

Lunch and Recess (50 minutes)

Mathematics

Special Area Class

Purposeful Play/Partnerships/Snack

Special “K” Event/Sharing Assembly

Social Studies, Science, and Health

Dismissal

Arrival

- Kindergarten students will receive “Bus Tags” to wear for the first few weeks of school.
- Kindergarten students sit at the front of the bus.
- **Kindergarten students will be met at their bus or car and escorted to their teacher/line-up.**
- Students being driven to school: drop-off in the driveway between 9:05-9:15 am.
- Walkers should arrive at school by 9:15 am.

Arrival



Kindergarten students will
gradually, and with *support*,
make their own way to class.

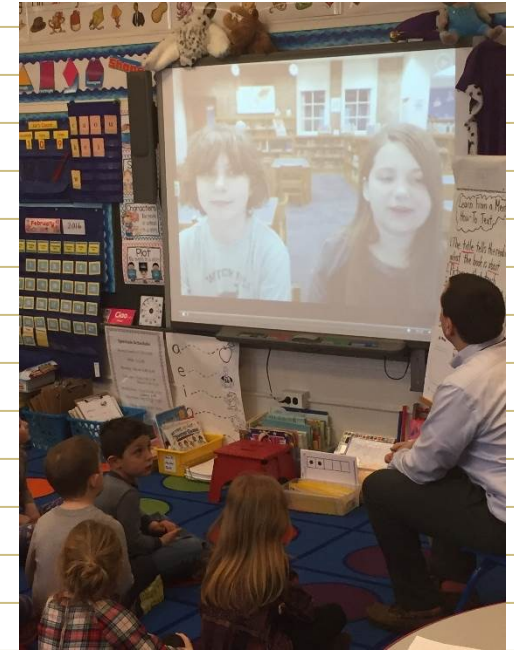
Morning Routine



Morning Meeting



**The Pledge
of Allegiance**



**KES 5th Graders
as Hosts**

Lunch

- Lunch is served in the cafeteria supervised by the Monitors and Teaching Assistants



- Children may bring lunch from home or order a lunch from school




Lunch

 February  Katonah-Lewisboro Elementary School				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>In the Event of a Three Hour Delay We Will Serve: Hamburgers on a Bun Lettuce, Tomatoes, Corn, Fresh Apple, Orange Juice, Milk</p>		<p>1 Pasta with Chicken Pam Whole Wheat Dinner Roll Roasted Broccoli Fresh Pear</p>	<p>2 Nachos Seasoned Ground Chicken Shredded Cheese & Salsa Steamed Corn Black Bean Salad Sweet Grapes</p>	<p>3 Whole Wheat Pizza Mania Pizza slice, Pizza Bagel, or French Bread Pizza Carrots and Celery Fresh Ripe Banana</p>
<p>6 Chicken Tenders with BBQ Dipping Sauce Whole Wheat Garlic Bread or Hamburger on a Bun Roasted Broccoli Applesauce</p>	<p>7 Brunch for Lunch Homemade French Toast Scrambled Eggs Homemade Roasted Potatoes Orange Smiles</p>	<p>8 Spaghetti & Meatballs Whole Grain Dinner Roll Green Bean Salad Sweet Blueberries</p>	<p>9 Nachos Seasoned Ground Chicken Shredded Cheese & Salsa Steamed Corn Black Bean Salad Sweet Grapes</p>	<p>10 Whole Wheat Pizza Mania Pizza slice, Pizza Bagel, or French Bread Pizza Red and Green Pepper Strips Cantaloupe Chunks</p>
<p>13 Grilled Cheese Sandwich With Homemade Chicken Soup Sautéed Green Beans Sweet Honey Dew</p>	<p>14 Brunch for Lunch Homemade French toast Scrambled Eggs Homemade Roasted Potatoes Blueberries</p>	<p>15 Homemade Macaroni & Cheese Dinner Roll Broccoli Sweet Grapes</p>	<p>16 Nachos Seasoned Ground Chicken Shredded Cheese & Salsa Steamed Corn Black Bean Salad Cantaloupe</p>	<p>17 Whole Wheat Pizza Mania Pizza Slice, Pizza Bagel, or French Bread Pizza Carrot & Celery Sticks Fresh Pineapple Chunks</p>
<p>20 President's Day</p>	<p>21 Brunch for Lunch Homemade French toast Scrambled Eggs Homemade Roasted Potatoes Orange Smiles</p>	<p>22 Baked Ziti Ricotta and Mozzarella Cheese served with Dinner Roll Steamed Broccoli Applesauce</p>	<p>23 Nachos Seasoned Ground Chicken Shredded Cheese & Salsa Steamed Corn Black Bean Salad Sweet Grapes</p>	<p>24 Whole Wheat Pizza Mania Pizza slice, Pizza Bagel, or French bread pizza Carrot & Celery Sticks Fresh Fruit Salad</p>
<p>27 Hamburger, Cheeseburger Or Veggie Burger with Bacon, Lettuce & Tomato on a Whole Wheat Bun Cucumber Salad Crisp Apple</p>	<p>28 Brunch for Lunch Homemade French toast Scrambled Eggs Homemade Roasted Potatoes Blueberries</p>		<p>Special Soup of the Day! Monday - Chicken Noodle Soup Tuesday - Chicken Noodle Soup Wednesday - Cream of Broccoli Thursday - Vegetable Noodle Soup Friday - Vegetable Noodle Soup \$2.00</p>	<p>Food Allergies? If you have a food allergy, please speak to the manager, chef, or your server</p>

* Regardless of portion size, the FSMC is responsible for meeting all requirements under the Final Rule Nutrition Standards in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs. This includes Min-max calories, fat, Sodium, specific component offerings for all fruits, vegetables, grains, meat/seafood alternatives and milk. This institution is an equal opportunity provider and

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change without notice.




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Composting

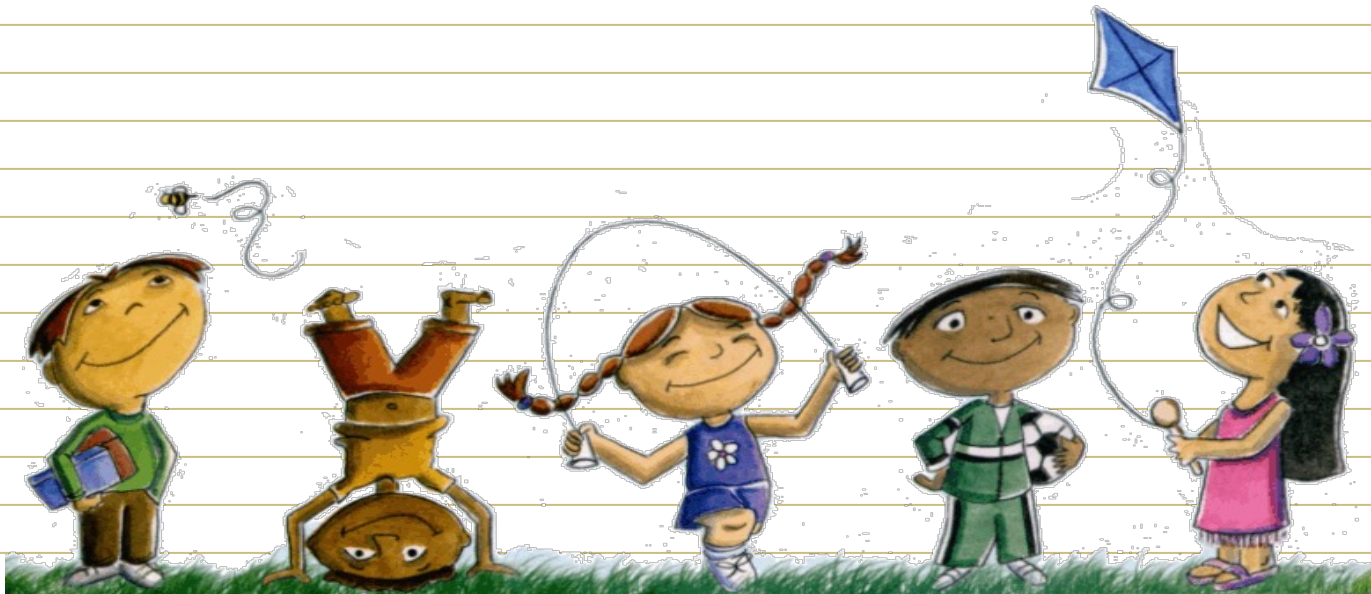


Garbage **Composting** **Recycling**

The children are taught how to recycle and practice daily.

Recess

- Recess is on the playground supervised by the Monitors and Teaching Assistants.



Recess



Special Area Classes



Art



Music



Library

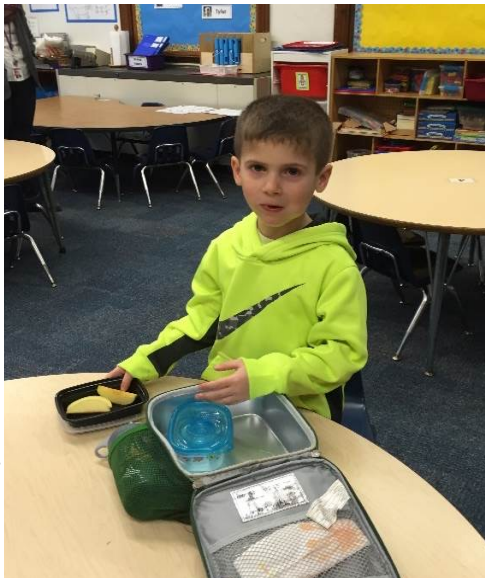


Physical Ed.

Purposeful Play and Partnerships



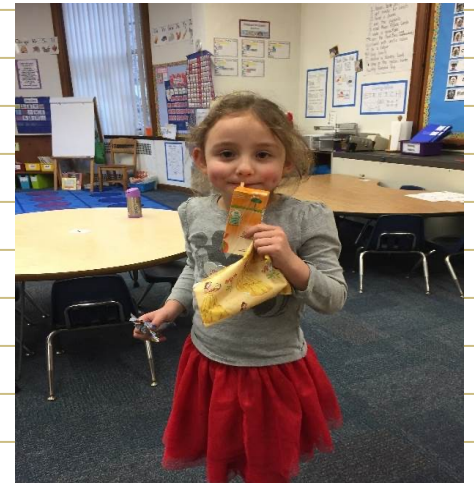
Snacks



Easy to open!



Healthy choices!



**Don't forget to
pack a drink!**

Special 'K' Activities



Greenhouse & Gardens



Sharing Assemblies

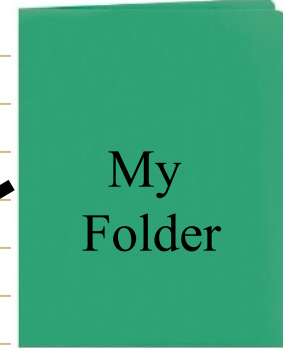


**Monthly
Birthday Celebrations, Character Education
and Shared Learning Experiences**

Backpacks



**Lunch/
Snack**



**My
Folder**

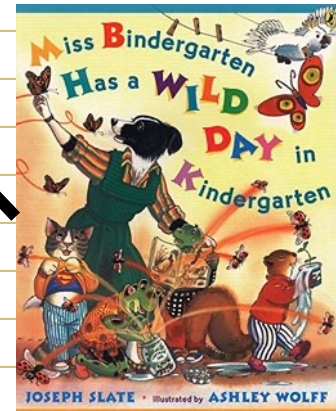
**Notes to
Teacher**



**Art
Projects**



Sneakers for PE



**Library
Book**

Dismissal



Bus

K students are escorted to the bus by their teacher and sit at the front of the bus.



Pick-Up

Located at side entrance between 3:35-3:45 pm.



Walkers

Walkers are students who are not assigned to a bus and live within 1 mile from school. Walkers are dismissed at the Lower Plaza; however, parents may choose Pick-Up.

Bus Safety



Students will be given their Bus Tag
at Kindergarten Visitation.

For those of you who are unable to attend the
Kindergarten Visitation, you may pick-up your child's
Bus Tag in the KES Main Office between
August 23-September 1 from 9:00 am-2:00 pm.

TRANSPORTATION

The KLSD Transportation Department
will post bus #s,
pick-up and drop-off times
on the Parent Portal in
Infinite Campus
in late August.

*Please contact the Transportation Department directly
with questions/requests: 763-7237*

I am ready for kindergarten!

I can be brave and wave
goodbye to my parents without
getting upset!



I can carry my
school bag.



I can open and close
my school bag.



I can use the toilet
correctly.



I can wash and dry
my hands by myself.



I can blow and wipe
my nose.



I can open my lunch
box.

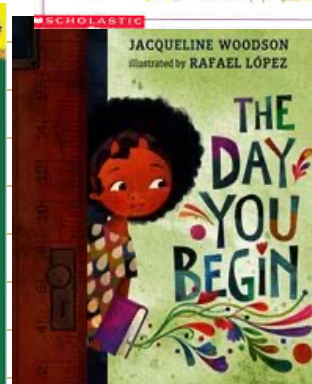
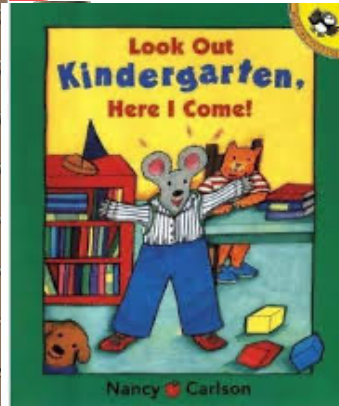
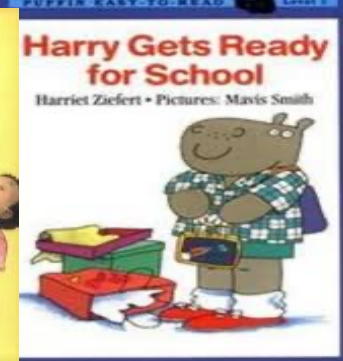
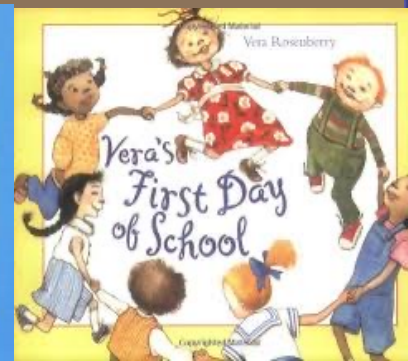
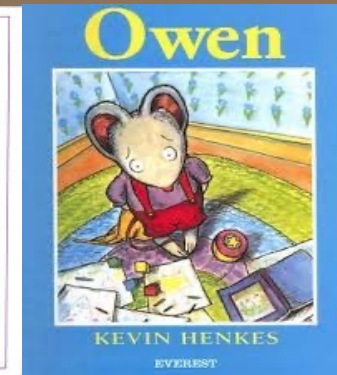
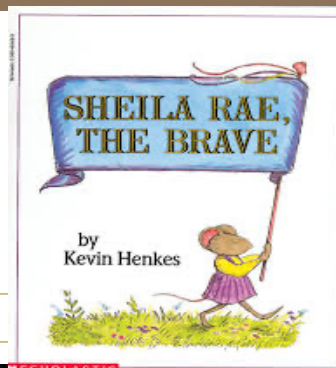
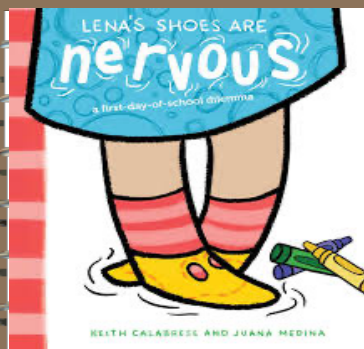


I can open my drink
bottle.

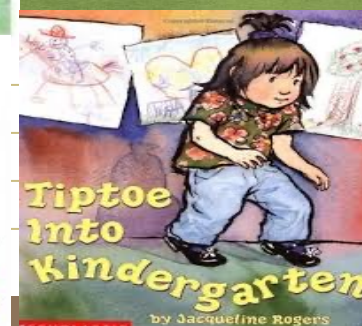
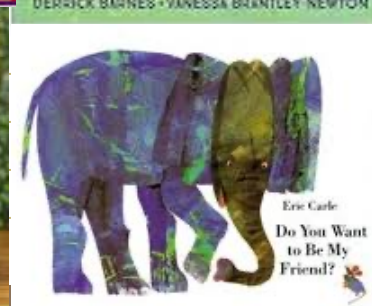
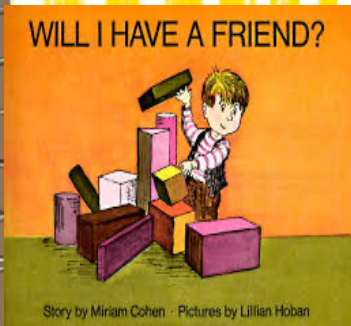
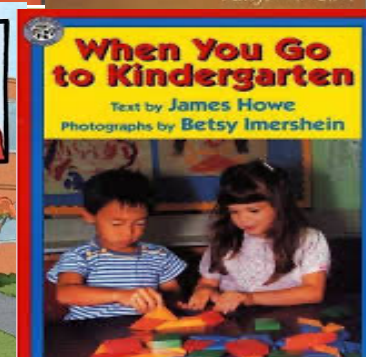
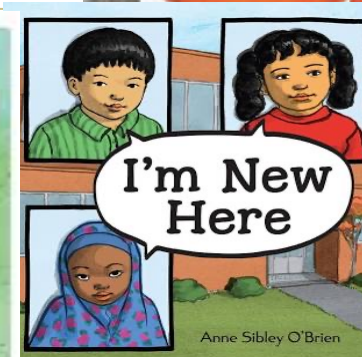
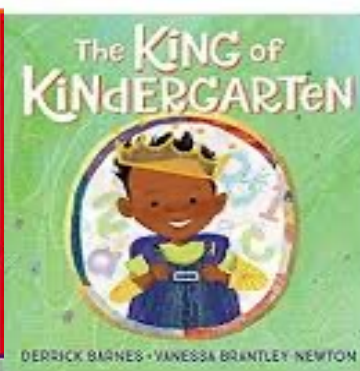
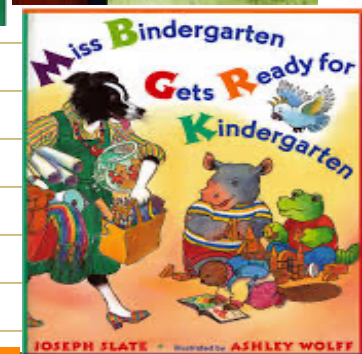
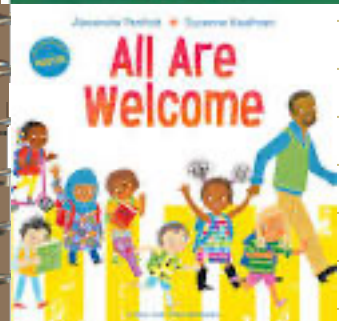


I can use good
manners.





Read Books Together!



Home/School Connection

- Contact Us- KES Main Office 763-7700
 - tduffy@klschools.org
 - mhorton@klschools.org
- School Nurse- 763-7706 or srozs@klschools.org
- Visit our Websites
 - kes.klschools.org
 - klschools.org
- Monthly Letter to KES Families
- Curriculum Night- September
- Parent/Teacher Conferences- November
- Grade Level Events and Celebrations

Next for Kindergarten!

Now: Kindergarten Registration Information

March-April: Registration

May: Kindergarten Screening

15th, 18th, 19th, 23rd, 24th, 31st

August 2023: Kindergarten Visitation

Anticipated Wednesday, August 30

Kindergarten Registration



March/April

At the appointment, you will schedule your child's Kindergarten Screening date and time.



Kindergarten Screening

- Screening takes place at school in May.
- Child are escorted to a designated area and rotate through stations.
- Parent/Caregiver remain in the building to complete a questionnaire and take a guided tour.



Kindergarten Visitation

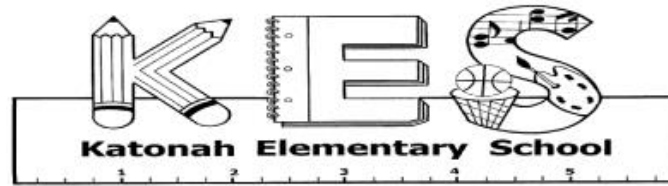
Anticipated Date: Wednesday, August 30 at 10:00-11:00am

Kindergarten families join us at KES to meet the teachers and visit the classrooms for a Scavenger Hunt.

Bus Tags will be distributed.

Students will have the opportunity to spend time in the classroom for centers and a read aloud while parents/caretakers meet with the administration for an orientation.

Families are invited to stay afterwards for a Playground Playdate hosted by the PTO.



ATTENTION NEW KINDERGARTEN PARENTS!



**Each spring, the KES PTO runs a
pre-packaged SCHOOL SUPPLIES fundraiser.**

Sale dates: March 20th- April 14th

Please contact Tanya at kesschoolsupplies@gmail.com

Supplies will be distributed at KES the week of June 12th

KES CELEBRATES P.A.R.P

Pick A Reading Partner

YOU ARE CORDINALLY INVITED TO...

Starry Story Night

**Guest readers from our learning community
read their favorite children's stories.**

Katonah Elementary School

Wednesday, March 29

(Snow Date: Thursday, March 30)

6:00 pm 1st Session

6:30 pm 2nd Session

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Pajamas and Teddy Bears are welcome!



Welcome to KES!