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## PK/K Information Night

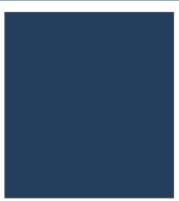




Meadow Park Elementary

## Our Time Together









- → School Readiness
- → PTA



- → Childcare
- → Our Kindergarten Program in MPR
- → Our PK Program in Mrs. Bower's Room



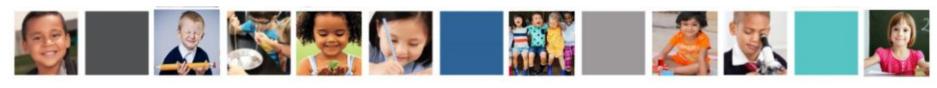


## **Welcome to IUSD Video**on <u>IUSD.org</u>



## AGE REQUIREMENTS

| SCHOOL YEAR | PRE-K/TK                                               | KINDERGARTEN                            | 1ST GRADE                                  |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 2022-23     | 5th birthday between<br>September 2nd and February 2nd | 5th birthday on or before September 1st | 6th birthday on or<br>before September 1st |
| 2023-24     | 5th birthday between<br>September 2nd and April 2nd    |                                         |                                            |
| 2024-25     | 5th birthday between<br>September 2nd and June 2nd     |                                         |                                            |
| 2025-26     | 4th birthday by September 1st                          |                                         |                                            |



# IUSD PK & Kindergarten Philosophy

In the Irvine Unified School District, we believe the goal of Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten is to promote a joy of learning in a positive and nurturing environment, which creates critical thinkers, effective oral communicators, and life-long learners.

In partnership with parents, we will provide <u>intentional opportunities</u> that meet the <u>emotional, social, physical</u> and <u>academic needs</u> of all learners.

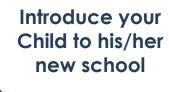


# PK & Kindergarten in IUSD Schedule / Length of Day

- Class size in CA State Law Max
  - •PK = 24 (IUSD goal 20)
  - •K = 33 (IUSD goal is 31)
- •200 instructional minutes = 3 hours 20 minutes
  - •100 minutes devoted to language & literacy
- Class Schedules Vary determined by site
  - •Staggered Day (early 8:10-11:30/late 10:10-1:30)
  - •AM/PM



## Getting Ready for the First Day





 Play on the playground on weekends











#### **School Anxieties are Contagious**

Parents are typically more anxious than kids; please be sure to use positive language about their new adventure!



#### **Read Books!**

The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn

Llama Misses Mama by Anna Dewdney





#### GET IN TOUCH









#### WHO WE ARE

The Meadow Park PTA is made of individuals just like you - we all want the best educational experience for our children. We partner with our administration and staff to build a strong and supportive community for our children.

#### HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Join MP PTA (\$20)
- Link Ralphs Card
- Link Box Tops
- Volunteer

- · Come to Restaurant Nights
- Community Partner
- Donate

## WHAT

**BUILD** community **SUPPORT** our school RAISE funds

Ne fund:



**RESTAURANT NIGHTS** 



LUNCHTIME PROGRAMS

R.O.P.E.S

FIELD TRIPS



CLASSROOM **FUNDS** 







**BOOK FAIR** 





TALENT SHOW YEARBOOK



For our







# Irvine Unified School District Time to Enroll

- STEP 1: Assemble the Enrollment Documents in a Digital Format
  - Residency Verification
    - Residency Verification Affidavit Form
    - Two current proofs of residency
  - **Verification of Age** (certified copy of birth record, statement by the local registrar or county recorder certifying the date of birth, baptism certificate, passport, or affidavit of the parent, guardian, or custodian of the minor)
  - Immunization Documentation
  - Dental Health Assessment Required during the first year of school.
- STEP 2: Aeries Online Enrollment begins February 28th iusd.org/enrollment
- STEP 3: Your school site will make contact within a few weeks once the enrollment has been processed.

For complete instructions, please visit

www.iusd.org/enrollment



## RUNDOURISTO CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

**On-Site Child Care** 

The Rainbow Centers provide a quality, safe and fun program for children. We use positive communication, activities and patience to create responsible citizens for the future.

www.rainbowrising.org

Scan for ELOP information



#### Rainbow Rising Meadow Park

#### **QUICK FACTS**

- >> Monday-Friday
- Before & After School Care Options
- >> 7:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
- >> Pre-K 6th Grade
- >> Open during school breaks

(summer, winter & spring)







#### **New Student 2025-2026 Enrollment**

Starting Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> online at 7am
Visit our website for more details: www.RainbowRising.org

Each site has different capacity regulations. Please contact your site via email for more information.

For additional information, including sample tuition rates, daily schedules, calendars and FAQs, please visit our website for our Pre-K/Kinder Information Packet.



Monday - Friday | June 10 - August 14

#### **Summer Camp**

#### >>Registration is now open!\*<<

In addition to a Summer Camp full of friends, activities, and fun, get a head start for Kindergarten with our Kickstart to Kindergarten! This program is integrated with our camp at no additional cost!

#### KICKSTART TO KINDERGARTEN

Let's start Kindergarten right! Children will go through our Kinder preparedness program developed by credentialed teachers. They will practice all of the necessary skills required for success in the classroom. We focus on their cognitive, motor, communication, and self-help skills throughout the summer through a variety of engaging activities. Most importantly, we address the importance of their social-emotional well-being and how that translates into their school life.



\*Per licensing regulations, incoming Pre-K students are not eligible for summer camp enrollment

#### Rainbow Rising Meadow Park



**CONTACT INFORMATION** 

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If you have additional questions that we didn't answer here or that you can't find on our website, please email us and we'd be happy to provide more information.

## Preparing for Kindergarten

- Read to/with your child each day/night
- Start bedtime routine around 7:00 pm
  - o aim for 10-12 hours of sleep
- Healthy breakfast/snack/lunch
- Practice separation activities
- Practice writing his/her name
- Practice 2-3 step directions
- Play board games and puzzles





## Kindergarten Supplies

- **Large** backpack, big enough to hold a 12" x 13" manila envelope
- Lunchbox for healthy snacks
- Reusable water bottle
- Pencil box 4" x 8" or 4" x 12"





## Kindergarten Beginning of the Year

- Lessons are focused on learning:
  - collaboration & community
  - school behaviors, routines & independence
  - social emotional skills
  - developmental play



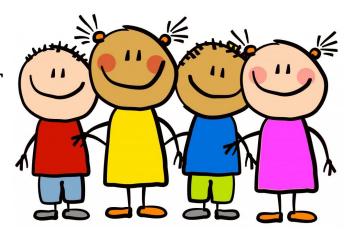
### Snack & Recess



- Bring own snack
  - o Easy to open on own
  - Healthy
- Allergy table if needed
- Supervised

## Kindergarten Show What You Know Day

- Monday, May 5th & Wednesday, May 14th
- One-on-one conversation and quick assessments with a teacher while the parent/guardian waits in a separate area
- Upon registering, each family will sign up for a 15 minute time slot, unless you are already in Mrs. Bower's PK class
- Parent/guardian will be filling out an information sheet and contact information
- There is nothing you or your child need to do to prepare!



## First Week of Kindergarten

 Students will be assigned a temporary teacher before school begins (for attendance purposes only)

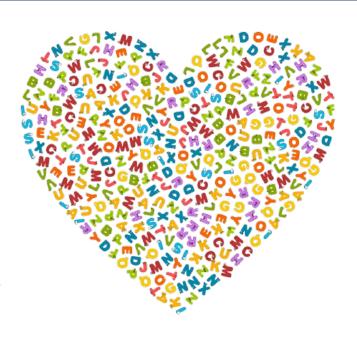
 Teachers will observe students' emotional, developmental, and academic abilities the first few days of school

 Initial placements are fluid at the beginning of the year to help create balanced classes

• Placements finalized within the first **full** week of school

### Summer Enrichment Ideas

- <u>Letters</u> and <u>sounds</u>
- Numbers, <u>counting</u>, and <u>shapes</u>
- Name writing
- <u>Fine motor</u> skills
- Gross motor skills
- Language and communication skills
- Social emotional development
  - Sharing, turn taking, listening to adults in charge, etc.



## SUMMER CLASSES ECAMPS

Get a jump start on school with classes designed just for our youngest learners. Incoming Pre-K and Kindergarten students will develop school readiness skills with a focus on grade prep and STEAM, social skills, and hands-on play. There's fun in store this summer with IPSF!

**Session A**: 6/16 - 7/13 **Session B**: 7/8 - 7/25

Specialty Session: 6/16 - 8/15





#### CLASSES FOR INCOMING PRE-K & K STUDENTS

- ✓ Hooray for Pre-K
- ✓ Jump Start Kindergarten
- ✓ Kinderfun!
- ✓ Hands-On STEAM K
- English Immersion K-1

Classes offered vary by location, see website for details. Get a jump start on school
this summer!
Irvine Public Schools
Foundation offers classes for incoming
PK & K students.

For more information & to register:

www.ipsf.net/summer

Registration opens on April 8th



### **PK/K Tour Dates**

April 30 th

12:30 PM | Front Office

May 2nd

10:15 AM | Front Office

May 6th 8:30 AM | Front Office



### **Contacts**

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#### Thank you for attending!