

Dear Preschool Parents,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year at Sayre! We are so glad that you have decided to enroll your child in our preschool program. We are proud of our beautiful facility, rich, play-based curriculum, and all we offer to young children. Preschool faculty are eager to welcome your child to the classroom and have been engaged in professional development, reading, and planning over the summer, which will enhance their abilities to guide students in their classrooms as they engage in project work, play, learn and grow. A high-quality preschool education is strongly correlated with later academic and life success and we have built a dedicated, kind and talented preschool teaching team here at Sayre. We look forward to partnering with you to collectively create an inclusive and supportive community for our youngest learners.

Enclosed, please find three white information forms that **must** be completed before the first day of school. In addition, is also a green Anaphylactic Allergy form for any child with significant allergies. Licensing requires that we must have completed paperwork and immunization forms on file for your child before he/she will be allowed to start school. Just a reminder that under a new state regulation introduced in 2018, all Kentucky students (ages 12 months through 18) must have proof of having the 2-dose series of the Hepatitis A vaccine effective the first day of school. Feel free to return forms by mail or in person. In addition, there is an enrollment form for our Extended Day program included in this mailing. Our Extended Day program provides extended care for children after our regular dismissal. While some families use this regularly and other families do not plan to use it at all, we encourage all families to complete and return this form so that your child can attend this program after dismissal on a drop-in basis should the need arise unexpectedly.

We do have two upcoming transition events for you and your child. I hope that you will be able to join us for both!

- **August 15<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-5:30 pm: Preschool and Kindergarten Playdates**  
Come join us to meet your child's classmates and have a low-key parent/child playdate in the classroom. This is a wonderful time to familiarize your child with his/her new classroom and to allow exploration of toys and materials with a parent present. Because preschool is such a large transition for a child, we want to provide an additional opportunity for your child to spend time in the classroom with his/her new teacher and friends.
- **August 17<sup>th</sup>, 9:00-11:00 am Open House**  
This is an opportunity for all Lower School and Preschool students to visit their classrooms, bring school supplies, and meet the teacher. This is a drop-in event and light refreshments will be provided in the Buttery at this time.
- **August 25<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm-Lower School Back to School Night**

Class lists and teacher assignments will be available through the Sayre Portal beginning August 12<sup>th</sup>. Directions for accessing this portal will be included in the large mailing that you will receive soon.

Once again, I'd like to welcome you personally to our preschool program and am delighted to have you as a part of our Lower School family. Please do not hesitate to let me know if I can be of assistance to you at any time throughout the school year. 859-254-1354 or [tchristopher@sayreschool.org](mailto:tchristopher@sayreschool.org). I care deeply that you and your child find our school a warm, inclusive place to be!

Looking forward to seeing you soon,

Tiffany Christopher  
Sayre Preschool Director

