

# C.P.I.S. NEWS



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First Day of PK3



Reunions



Drop and Go

*Before School Starts*

*What I Need to Know*

## Community Outreach

Think how cool it is for your building principals and other staff to come and visit you at your home. The home connection is a valuable part of a successful academic career. Recognizing parents as a child's first teacher is an important partnership that helps a child's transition from home to school.

During the last part of August we randomly pick a handful of families to visit. We will schedule an appointment before we come.



**First Day of School**

**September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**Drop Off: 9:10-9:25 a.m.**

**Pick Up: 3:20-3:40 p.m.**



Mrs. Ceplo—Welcoming the Children Back to School

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## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

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Book bag, lunchbox, fitted sheet (crib size), small blanket, full change of clothes for your child clearly marked with their name.

Your child will receive a welcome letter from the school with all the details in this newsletter.

*“At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child’s success is the positive involvement of parents.” – Jane D. Hull*

### Important Dates to Remember

New Parent Orientation

August 28, 2019 10-11 am

Meet the Teacher (9-4-19)

Green & Blue Hallway  
12-12:45 p.m.

Yellow & Red Hallway  
1-1:45 p.m.

Back to School Night (9-11-19)

Green & Blue Hallway  
5-5:30 p.m.

Yellow & Red Hallway  
6-6:30 p.m.



# Volunteers

Volunteers enrich our learning experiences.

I am looking for parent volunteers to help out during school hours. If you would like to volunteer please contact me. Grandparent volunteers are welcome too! We would appreciate your help with increasing our inter-generational experiences in the pre-school program. Sign up today!

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Parent Academy

## Connecting Home & School

Pemberton Preschool uses the HighScope Curriculum. HighScope values the family as the child's first teacher. Our staff

- Builds strong connections with families
- Partners with families to support children's learning through home visits and parent-teacher conferences
- Helps family members extend learning to home through parent meetings and the Family Network, a family website
- Share their observations about children's development with parents and discuss ways to work together to achieve common goals

[highscope.org/family](https://highscope.org/family)

# Get Them to School Every Day

Preschool is the ideal time to stress the importance of consistent on-time attendance and encourage strong attendance habits



## Be enthusiastic!

Talk often to children about why school is important.



## Be consistent

Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.



## Be prepared

Lay out clothes and pack lunches and backpacks the night before.



## Be flexible

Make a plan for getting to school in case something comes up.

Adapted from Attendance Works ([www.attendanceworks.org](http://www.attendanceworks.org))

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