Widefield School District 3 Preschool



Teddy Talk

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Our classrooms are busy making friends and exploring! AT school, we practice our social emotional skills. This can look like sharing toys, making friends, regulating strong emotions and meeting our own needs. We are so excited to be back at school!

Welcome Preschool Families!

In just a few weeks, we have already shared some wonderful experiences! What a fantastic way to begin our year!

We start each year setting up our class rules and routines. Knowing what to expect can free our brain for the more abstract learning. You may have heard about Dina, the Principal of Dinosaur School, who helps our students learn and follow our safety rules. Maybe you have heard of our three rules: we keep ourselves safe; we keep our friends safe; and we keep our things safe. These expectations are consistent throughout the entire school. We utilize the Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) program school-wide to teach behavioral expectations in the same manner as any core curriculum subject.

As we work on developing positive behavior with all of our students, your role as a parent is important!

"Family involvement has a significant, positive effect on student behavior:

 \cdot When families are involved, students exhibit more positive attitudes and behavior.

• When students report feeling support from both home and school, they have more self-confidence, feel school is more important, and they tend to do better in school.

· Student at-risk behaviors such as alcohol use, violence, and other antisocial behaviors decrease as parent involvement increases. "

- (National PTA, 10/28/2005)

As a part of our PBIS plan, students who display positive behaviors can be recognized by any staff member and given a "warm fuzzy" sticker. If your child comes home with a "warm fuzzy" sticker, that means that they displayed a positive behavior and were complimented on it. Please encourage their good behavior when they receive these stickers. You should have received tickets that you can give your child to recognize their positive behavior at home. Your child can bring them to school and receive a "fuzzy" (pom pom) for the classroom jar. If you have questions about PBIS, please ask your child's classroom teacher.

Thank you for your partnership and trusting us with your child!

Important Information

Coming Up...



September 5, 2022: No School- Labor Day Holiday September 6, 2022: No School: Preschool Staff Development September 9, 2022: Social/Emotional Family Workshop 10am September 24, 2022 Widefield Community Parade September 26 & 27, 2022: <u>Webster</u> Individual Picture Day September 28 & 29, 2022: <u>GMS</u> Individual Picture Day October 10, 2022: No School: Fall Day October 12 & 13, 2022: <u>North</u> Individual Picture Day



Stay Safe: Reminders for School

- Hold your child's hand as you enter and exit our facilities.
- Please do NOT use cell phones on school property.
- Please close and lock gates (chains) when entering and exiting.
- Use caution when you enter and exit the parking lot.
- Enter the parking lot at the south end and exit the other side.
- If you are parking in the street, please be aware of traffic around you and do not block driveways or the bus pull-through.
- Please keep pets off of school grounds.
- The safest place for Preschoolers to ride in the car is in the backseat in a car seat or booster.

COLORADO CRISIS SERVICES

Colorado Crisis Services is the statewide behavioral health crisis response system offering residents mental health, substance use and/or emotional crisis help, information and referrals. Its mission is to strengthen Colorado's mental health system by providing the people of Colorado with greater access to crisis services wherever they are at, 24/7/365, regardless of ability to pay. No matter what you're going through, help is available. Call Colorado Crisis Services at 844-493-TALK (8255) or text TALK to 38255. Learn more at ColoradoCrisisServices.org

We love to read!



We are very fortunate to have access to a library where our students can check out books and bring them home to enjoy with you. We want to make sure that our books last, so we ask that you help your child take good care of them.

Please help us keep our books in good shape by using the following guidelines:

- \cdot We look at books with clean hands.
- \cdot We keep the pages nice and don't color or write on them.

 \cdot We help younger brothers and sisters keep the books safe too!

If a book is lost or damaged, families will have to pay for it.

Cyber Safety Have Fun in Safe Places

 \cdot Use the fun kid's sites that you and your parents have selected.

 \cdot If you want to go to a new site ask your parent.

Think Before You Post

 \cdot Be the best you can be online.

 \cdot Never type your name, address, or phone number online.

Turn It Off & Tell

 \cdot If anything "yucky" appears quickly turn off the screen and tell an adult.

