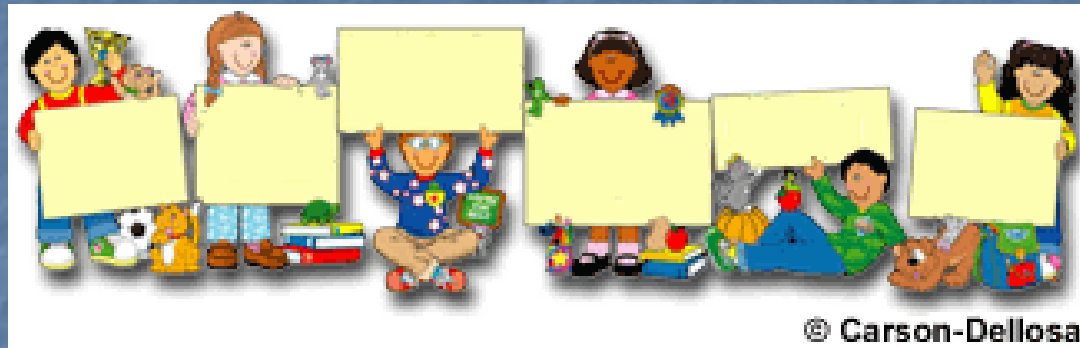




HIGHLANDS SCHOOL DISTRICT FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN



Events for a Smooth Transition

- June 12-15
- Start of School: School will begin on the same first day as all other schools in the district. It will be a full day of school for our Kindergarten friends.



KINDERGARTEN READINESS



Highlands Kindergarten

Is my child ready?

- Every family who registers for Kindergarten will be provided with a Pre-Kindergarten Readiness calendar. This calendar provides monthly focus skills to work on with your child. This begins in the month of March and continues through until August.
- Being socially and emotionally ready for Kindergarten is extremely important. Knowing how to be a “student” is extremely important for successful learning.



How can I help my child be successful?

- Communicate with your child's teacher.
- If possible, volunteer in your child's school. Make sure to complete all clearances.
- Encourage your child to talk about school each day (what did you...see...hear... touch...etc.)
- Review your child's folder each day.
- Help your child complete school responsibilities.
- Be positive about trying new things.
- Model responsibility, respect, self-control, etc.





Highlands School District Full Day Kindergarten Program



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Let's Get Started!

Building Stamina for Full Day Kindergarten



- The first few weeks are gradual as we focus on procedures and routines of school and classroom.
- Students engage in mini lessons in each subject area.
- Establishing routines at home increases stamina for school

Sample Schedule



8:20-9:00	Homeroom and announcements with the Pledge of Allegiance
9:00-9:15	Morning Meeting/Calendar/Second Step
9:15-9:45	MTSS- Small group tiered instruction
9:45-10:30	Shared Reading and Guided Reading Groups
10:30-11:15	Special Areas (Music, Art, Library, Physical Education)
11:15-12:00	Language Arts
12:00-12:55	Lunch and Recess
1:00- 2:20	Math Whole Group, Centers, MTSS small group tiered math instruction
2:20-2:50	Social Studies/Science
2:50-3:15	PBIS (Positive Behavior RAMS time Exploration
3:25-3:50	Dismissal



Highlands Kindergarten Components

All Programs Are Standards-Based

- Houghton Mifflin- “Journeys”
- Go Math
- Carolina Biological
- “Second Step” Conflict Resolution and Social Skills
- Sight Words- Dolch Word lists- Pre Primer and Primer
- RAC Word Building (phonics)

Journeys

- Reading readiness focuses on oral language, listening, comprehension, auditory and visual discrimination.
- Children will develop an awareness of rhyme, syllabication, identification of initial/medial/final sounds, word units, and sentence meaning.



Go Math

- Presents skills in an environment of active learning, related to real-life experiences.
- Focus on number writing, recognition, showing in different ways, adding and subtracting within ten, 2D and 3D shapes, measuring and data, and counting to 100.



Math...



graphing



counting



addition
and subtraction

Math...



shapes



patterns
number
collections



Highlands Kindergarten

Carolina Science

We focus on three main themes

- The Weather
- Force and Motion
- Plants and Animals



Second Step

Your child will...



- learn to recognize when there is conflict and that there is more than one solution to a problem.
- demonstrate “calm-down” strategies.
- respect others.
- understand that we should treat others how we would like to be treated.



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Thank you for joining us!

