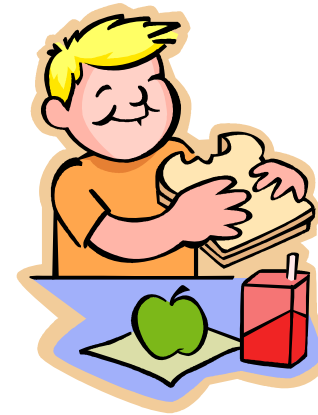


# Accounts for Lunch

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- ❑ Checks may be written to Hamilton Elementary and sent with your child
- ❑ No extras may be purchased
- ❑ Students receive an account number
- ❑ Menus are available online at [www.cfisd.net](http://www.cfisd.net)



# Birthdays

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- ❑ Celebrated by saying the Pledge of Allegiance on the loudspeaker with the principal!
- ❑ Special certificate and birthday pencil from principal.
- ❑ No invitations to parties may be passed out at school (PTO directory will be of assistance.)
- ❑ Food or party items are not to be given out as treats at school.



# Communication

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- Weekly take-home folders will keep you posted.
- Teacher web pages will be available through [www.cfisd.net](http://www.cfisd.net) managed by [schoolwires.com](http://schoolwires.com) – some teachers have [teacherweb.com](http://teacherweb.com) pages that may be linked.
- Report cards will go home the first nine weeks. A progress will also be sent in Week 4-5.
- Parent conferences will occur on October 12<sup>th</sup> and as needed.



# Daily Schedule

Time	Activity
8:35-8:50	Arrival
8:50-9:05	Morning Message
9:05-9:55	Writing Workshop
9:55- <del>10:50</del>	Guided Reading, Shared Reading, Phonological Awareness
<del>10:50</del> - 11:40	Large Group
11:40-	Guided Reading, Reading Workshop, Poetry
<del>12:45</del> -	Lunch
1:15-1:45	Recess
1:45-2:50	Math
2:50-3:10	Shared Writing
3:10-3:40	Developmental Centers

# Emergencies

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- Contact information should list the name and telephone number of all friends/family who may have permission to pick up your child.
- We will not release children to people not listed as emergency contacts.
- Please alert family and friends that they will be required to show identification before we release your child.



# First day

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- ❑ Transportation should be the same this day as it will be throughout the year!
- ❑ Please check your child's preprinted transportation label for accuracy.
- ❑ Teachers are providing a nametag for your child to wear to school on Monday.



# Getting home safely

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- Your child's safety is a top priority!
- Bus drivers prefer not to let your child off if no one is at the stop to greet your child.
- Buses will run slower at the beginning of the school year.



# Healthy snacks

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- ❑ A snack break will occur in the morning before large group.
- ❑ Snacks should open easily and should be able to be eaten neatly without utensils.
- ❑ Water bottles with sports tops may be brought to school. Be sure bottle is labeled.
- ❑ Avoid filling water bottles with ice or extremely cold water to prevent sweating onto work areas.



# I.D.'s

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- ❑ Please bring your driver's license with you if you are visiting at school.
- ❑ All visitors will have their I.D.'s scanned through our V-Soft program.
- ❑ Visitor badges must be worn throughout the duration of your visit.



# Just in Case

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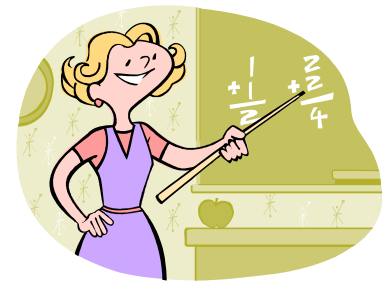
- ❑ Please keep a change of clothes in your child's backpack.
- ❑ Make sure the clothes are labeled with his or her name.
- ❑ Please also label jackets, backpacks, lunchboxes and any other personal items.



# Kinder Contacts

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- Always talk to the teacher first, but then please do not hesitate to call us:
  - Principal: Catherine Bartlett
  - Assistant Principal: Charlotte Henke
  - Librarian: Jen Lucas
  - Counselor: Terri Kubinski
  - Registrar: Laura Lawless
  - Receptionist: Lori Sassos
  - Nurse: Shirley Northcutt



# Lunch

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- 12:45 to 1:15
- You may join your child for lunch at the Visitor Table beginning the second week of school.
- Please keep in mind this is also a time for your child to grow socially by eating and talking with their peers.



# Music, art & p.e.

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- Kindergarten goes to large group daily from 10:50 to 11:40
- Volunteers needed for music (form to sign-up)
- Tennis shoes need to be worn for P.E.





# Nurse northcutt

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- ❑ You may reach our nurse, Shirley Northcutt at 281-320-7056.
- ❑ Contact her with any specific medical concerns or needs regarding your child.
- ❑ No medication may be sent to school with your child.
- ❑ Parents must bring medication to the clinic in the original container.

# Orientation

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- ❑ Curriculum Night will be held for all kindergarten parents on Wednesday, September 9 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- ❑ Specific kindergarten curriculum information will be shared with parents.



# Playground

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- Playground time is made available daily during recess (right after lunch).
- Parents are not able to join their children at this time for safety reasons, as well as to provide students with the time to have social interaction.



Tennis shoes are best for protecting those precious toes!

# Quick checks

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- ❑ Be sure to do a “quick check” of your child’s backpack each day to look for important information.
- ❑ Lions Lines will be sent by Key Communicator email and posted on [www.cfisd.net](http://www.cfisd.net) every other Monday.
- ❑ Any handouts will be scanned and attached to the Lions Lines newsletter also.
- ❑ Weekly Communication Cards



# Rolling backpacks

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- ❑ For storage and safety reasons, rolling backpacks are not permitted.
- ❑ Backpacks should be large enough to hold papers, a change of clothes, a lunch box and a take-home folder.



# School Supplies

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- If you ordered these through PTO, they will be delivered to your child's classroom teacher.
- You may order supplies today by visiting our PTO table.
- Supply lists are also available if needed.
- You may be asked to replenish supplies throughout the year or to send household items for projects.

# Transportation

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- ❑ Changes must be made before 3:00 p.m. to guarantee your child's teacher receives the message.
- ❑ Changes must be in writing. If you call us, we will ask you to fax confirmation of your plans. This is for your child's safety.
- ❑ Please keep changes to a minimum if at all possible.



# Unnecessary Items

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- ❑ Toys, games, etc. need to remain at home.
- ❑ Your child's teacher will notify you if she chooses to allow students to bring items from home.
- ❑ Please check your child's backpack for any hideaways!

# Visitors

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- Visitors are welcome.
- If visiting lunch, please leave 5 minutes before the end of lunchtime. This helps us get the children refocused and prepared to leave.
- If you would like to visit the classroom, please call ahead to schedule this with the Assistant Principal.

# Ways to be involved

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- We love our volunteers! There are many ways you can volunteer at Hamilton.
  - Animal Odyssey Field Trip
  - Animal Demonstrations
  - Take-home projects for teachers
  - Bus Buddies
  - Holiday Parties
  - Field Day
  - I-Station helpers
  - Music Volunteer



# X Marks the spot

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- A map is attached so you can find your child's classroom easily.





# Your child's Teacher

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- Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_
- Your child will be anxious to tell you how cool kindergarten really is when they come home on the first day!

# Zzz's

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- Catching enough zzz's is so important to kindergartners! They have busy days filled with learning and social activities. Please make sure your child goes to bed each night in time to get a good night's sleep.





# Reminders

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- ❑ School supplies and spirit items may be purchased in the gym after you pick up your child.
- ❑ Please check your child's transportation label if they are going to be a bus rider.
- ❑ Inform the teacher of your child's end of day transportation.

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# Hamilton Lions Rock!

