

IMPORTANT DATES



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| July 25, 2019
By appointment | Kindergarten Screening
<i>Salem Township Elementary School</i> |
| July 25, 2019
5:00 PM – 8:00PM | District Welcome for New Students and Families
<i>Little Miami High School</i> |
| July 26, 2019
By appointment | Kindergarten Screening
<i>Salem Township Elementary School</i> |
| July 29, 2019 | Kindergarten Teacher Welcome Letters mailed |
| August 12, 2019
6:00 PM – 8:00PM | “Meet Your Principals” Tour - (For families unable to attend a Beginning of Year Conference (no teachers)
<i>Salem Township Elementary School</i> |
| August 13, 2018
By Appointment | Beginning of Year Conference with Teachers
<i>Salem Township Elementary School</i> |
| August 14, 2019
By Appointment | Beginning of Year Conference with Teachers
<i>Salem Township Elementary School</i> |
| August 15, 2019 | First Day of School |

Frequently Asked Questions...



What happens during Kindergarten Screening?

Your child will work individually with one of our Kindergarten teachers to demonstrate his/her academic and social readiness for Kindergarten. Some students may also work with our literacy coach to assess their reading levels or work with our speech/language pathologist if there are concerns about expressing and/or understanding language.

How can we prepare our child for his/her screening?

Please refer to the "Getting Ready for Kindergarten" insert included in this packet for details. Please note: The screening is NOT a test. It is a measure of your child's strengths and areas for growth.

Will the person screening my child be his/her teacher?

No, class lists and teacher assignments will not be completed until a later date. Therefore, the screener may or may not be your child's teacher.

When and how will we find out whether my child is AM or PM?

This information will be emailed to you on or before May 23, 2019.

When and how will we get transportation information?

Transportation information will be available online beginning August 5, 2019. You will find instructions on our website under Departments→Transportation. You will need your child's student ID number, which you will receive at your child's registration meeting. Please note:

- *Any changes to your child's pick up and drop off location **MUST** be received by July 29, 2019 to be effective on the first day of school. Any changes received after July 29, 2019 will not take effect until August 19, 2019.*
- *Since frequent changes in transportation increase the possibility of putting students in an unsafe situation, the Little Miami Local School District has updated its transportation policies:*
 - *All students will be dropped off at their home address unless a transportation enrollment form with an alternate address has been completed and submitted to the Transportation Department.*
 - *Parents must designate one location for drop-off, Monday-Friday.*
 - *All students requiring daycare/shared parenting transportation should have a completed and/or updated transportation enrollment form on file before July 29, 2019.*
 - *The schedule for daycare/shared parenting cannot be changed from day-to-day and week-to-week.*

By adhering to these guidelines, Little Miami can ensure the safety of all our students and can greatly reduce the risk of miscommunication or of a student being dropped off at an unsupervised location.

When will we know my child's teacher assignment?

Kindergarten welcome letters will be mailed by your child's teacher on July 29, 2019. This letter will include a brief bio and picture of his/her teacher. It will also include information on how to schedule your Beginning of the Year Conference.

Do we need to pack my child a snack?

No, we encourage AM students to eat a healthy breakfast before they arrive and PM students to eat a healthy lunch before they come. Our instruction time is very valuable and does not allow for "snack" time.

Where and what is the New Family District Welcome?

The New Family District Welcome will take place July 25, 2019 at Little Miami High School beginning at 5:00PM. This event is for all new families to the district. When you arrive, you will be encouraged to visit information booths, which will be set up in the cafeteria. You will also have an opportunity to get a photo with the "Little Miami Panther". At 5:30, we will all meet in the Auditorium for a brief overview of what Little Miami has to offer. All attending students will receive a LM swag bag with goodies inside.

What is a Beginning of Year Conference?

A typical Open House can be a little overwhelming for our younger students, and can be frustrating for parents who only have a small amount of time to meet and speak with their child's teacher prior to the start of school. The Beginning of Year Conference allows teachers to dedicate a block of time to meet with individual parents in a more productive way.

How and when do we set our Beginning of the Year conference?

You will receive a welcome letter in the mail from your child's teacher. This letter will contain information on scheduling your conference. Kindergarten teacher letters will be mailed July 29, 2019.

How much are Kindergarten school fees?

Kindergarten school fees for the 2019-20 school year will be \$27.00. Fees may be paid online, using a debit/credit card, at www.littlemiamischools.com under the EZPay link. If you prefer to pay by check or cash, you may pay at your child's screening in July. Please make all checks payable to Salem Elementary School.