



### WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN



### IUSD TK & Kindergarten PHILOSOPHY

We believe the goal of TK and K is to promote a **joy** of learning in a positive and nurturing environment, which creates critical thinkers, effective oral communicators, and life-long learners. In partnership with parents, we will provide intentional opportunities that meet the **emotional**, **social**, physical and academic needs of all learners.





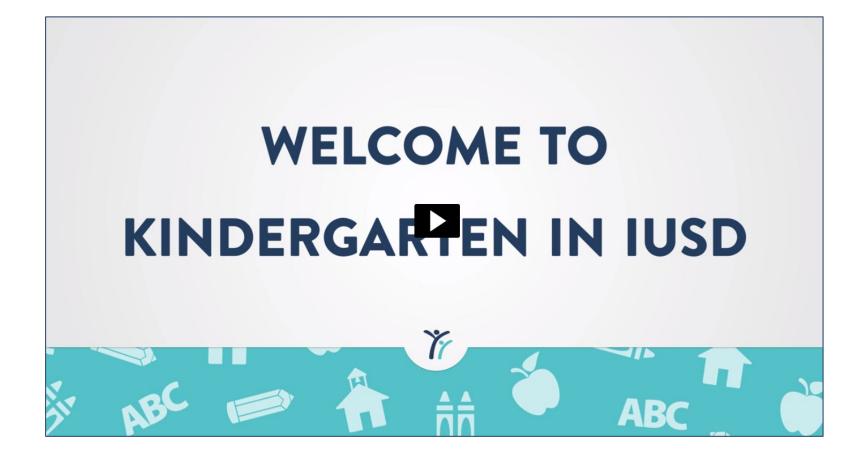




#### Your Team!

James Parker- Principal Shauna Gibbons- Registration/Attendance Clerk Dawn Burgess – Teacher Sheila Jones- Teacher Suzanne Perez- Teacher Daniella Gorman- RN Janice McNeill/Maggie Ventura- Health Clerk

#### INTRO TO IUSD VIDEO



# SCHOOL READINESS



"Children are ready for school when, for a period of several years, they have been exposed to: consistent stable adults who are emotionally invested in them; a physical environment that is safe and predictable; regular routines and rhythms of activity; competent peers; and materials that stimulate their exploration and enjoyment of the object world and from which they derive a sense of mastery."

Pianta & Walsh

# STARTING SCHOOL





- → The only eligibility requirement to enter Kindergarten is to be 5 on or before September 1<sup>st</sup>
- → To enter TK is to be 5 between <u>September 2<sup>nd</sup> and</u> <u>December 2<sup>nd</sup></u>
- → Screenings are not used to exclude a child
- → Children's development at this age varies
- → Research supports that kids learn best with their same age peers
- → We will work with your child where they are and move them forward!



#### **Kindergarten Meet & Greet**

- In May, we will be meeting your children. You will receive a notification about scheduling your appointment in the coming months.
- The students will meet the teachers, and teachers will gain important information that allows us to create balanced classes and ensure effective learning environments.





#### **Daily Schedule**

### A.M. (7:55-11:15) P.M. (11:00-2:20)\*

\*P.M. classes have modified Wednesdays (10:15-1:35)

AM/PM tentative assignments will be announced in June. Your child's teacher assignment will be *online* <u>1-2</u> days *before* the start of school.





#### Meet Your Teacher Day!

- Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>... time TBA on PV website
- Classrooms will be open for children and parents
- Come and meet your child's teacher!
- Check out the classroom and play yard and relieve some of the first day jitters!
- Drop off school supplies



### GETTING READY FOR THE FIRST DAY



Introduce your Child to his/her New School

Visit the school, play on the playground, attend orientations





#### **School Anxieties are Contagious**

Parents are typically more anxious than kids



Read

The Kissing Hand

by Audrey Penn



## PARENT INVOLVEMENT



- → School and Class Websites
  - Important Dates/Information
  - Resources and Activities
  - Social Media
- → School Events
  - Back to School Night
  - Open House
- → Volunteer in the Classroom
- → Parent Conferences
- → Report Cards

COMMUNICATION



PLEASE JOIN US!





The CDC child care program at Plaza Vista School provides affordable, quality childcare and day camps for elementary school-age children of working parents. Professional staff supervise children in a caring, nurturing environment.

- Maricela Ybarra– Site Supervisor
- Lorrena Arias & Maria Osorio–

Kinder Teachers

#### CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER



