

Welcome to RRC Pre-k

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Children 3-4 years old (going to PreK the following year)

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Children 4-5 years old (going to Kindergarten the following year)

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Frequently asked questions ☺

*Here is a list of some of the questions we get asked often... it is a long list but If you have any that are not listed please ask! We will help however we can!

- **Absent**- if your child needs to be absent for ANY reason please let us know by email or calling the school.
- **Birthday treats**-your child may bring birthday treats as long as they are store bought.
- **Difficulty adjusting**- If your child is having a hard time transitioning/ adjusting we will discuss the options we have. Some children need a little longer time to adjust to this new step. We will contact you if they are really struggling.
- **Dismissal**- when you need a different person to pick up your child or they will need to go somewhere different after school PLEASE be sure to let us know. **Calling the school** is the best way to inform us during the school day of any changes.
- **Food**- all preschool/prek children are served free breakfast in school. Students bring a snack to keep at school for later in their day. They eat lunch at school, or bring a sack lunch if you choose.
- **Holidays**- we do celebrate holidays in preschool. If they chose to bring a store bought treat. We will have fun holiday activities for the children during class time. We do NOT have children exchange gifts at Christmas. They will receive a gift from us but not their classmates. Valentines will be a little different; they can bring treats for their class if they choose to. More info on this comes home in Feb.
- **Homework**-we do not have “homework” in preschool. They may come home with things throughout the year to do at home but we do not ask for any to be returned. The more things they can learn/practice at home will only help them. They are usually excited to show you what they are doing ☺
- **Illness**-Please follow the same guidelines as the RRC school handbook for illness. Trying to keep our room healthy throughout the year is very important to us. Please be sure children are symptom free for at least 24 hours before coming to school. As much as they may seem to be all better, remember we are active at school and they may not be quite up for that, as well as keeping the other students healthy.
- **Notes from the teachers**- we do not have too much free time in our day as you can imagine! So the only notes we tend to send home are out of necessity. Behavior issues, or quick questions are about it. Like they say “No News Is Good News” ☺

- **Play time-** preschool/prek is a learning time. We learn through play. We have academic activities throughout our day that they will see as playtime.
- **RRC school web page-** www.redrockcentral.org this is the webpage for all of RRC. Preschool information is located under the Elementary tab. This booklet will also be available online.
- **Shoes-** we will be asking for a pair of shoes they leave in school. They can be any kind of indoor shoes. If you do not want to leave a pair in school we ask there is a pair in their backpacks for them to use.
- **Supplies-** We ask that your child bring a backpack (regular size). The older students will need a small blanket for rest time. Supply lists are located on the web page www.redrockcentral.org
- **Time-**school starts at **8:15!** Please do **NOT** send children earlier than **7:50**. Doors for our room will open when buses arrive. Teachers need to prepare for class and have meetings to attend before this time. It is important for you to let whoever brings your child to school know this. As excited as they are to come they do **not** need to be at school an hour early.
- **Toilet trained-**Children that attend our pre-k programs **MUST** be **FULLY** daytime trained. This includes all needs. They must be able to go into the bathroom alone, wipe, wash hands, and return to class. We have a bathroom in our room they are able to use anytime during class.
- **Toys-** Toys from home should stay at home. The only exception is a small stuffed (non-noise making) animal for rest time if they want. This prevents lost, broken, or arguments over toys. We have **PLENTY** for them to play with ☺.
- **Transportation-**any questions on busing/van transportation please call Colby 507-752-7361.
- **Updates/ conferences-** we have conferences twice a year-fall (early Nov.) and Spring (late March).
- **Weather announcements-** If RRC closes early preschool will also close at the same time. We will send children home/ daycare the way you list on your registration form **UNLESS** you let us know differently. If RRC is 1-2 hours late we have school when RRC does.