

Groveport Madison Local Schools
Kindergarten



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To Our Kindergarten Families:

On behalf of the entire learning community in the Groveport Madison Schools, it is our pleasure to welcome you and your child to our schools! Kindergarten is one of the most important years of your child's life as he or she transitions from home to school.

We are all committed in our schools to provide the most diverse educational opportunities possible to help each of our kindergarten children be successful. The schools share this responsibility and accept the obligation for educating your child to become the best he or she can be. We are partners with you in this process. At this early stage of learning, it is important to set routines in your child's life. Try to set aside time each day to discuss what your child did in school for that day.

We wish you and your child the best for this year and the future years you are affiliated with Groveport Madison Local Schools. Please remember--we are here to provide a quality educational experience for your child. Let us know if we can assist you in any way. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact your child's teacher, principal, or any administrative office personnel to help you.

We look forward to working with you this year. Have a great kindergarten experience!

Sincerely,

H. Scott McKenzie
Superintendent

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-GETTING STARTED-

REGISTRATION

If your child is 5 years old by August 1, he or she may enroll in kindergarten that fall.

If your child turns 5 after August 1 and before January 1, you may request early entrance to kindergarten. Call Sunny Groves at 492.2520 by August 1st to find out more about the requirements for Early Entrance. Only children who prove to be a good candidate for entering school early according to the board adopted Acceleration Policy will be eligible to register and start kindergarten in the fall.

If your child is 6 by June 30 and has not attended any school, you may apply for permission to have your child “skip” kindergarten and go directly to the 1st grade. He or she will need to be tested and qualify before entering first grade.

Early Registration will begin March 26 – March 30. Please call Central Enrollment (491-8288) at the beginning of March to schedule an appointment to register your child for Kindergarten. Parents who register their children between March 26 and April 4th may sign up for Kindergarten Roundup where they have the opportunity to visit a kindergarten classroom, interact with the teacher, and meet the principal.

NEEDED FOR REGISTRATION

1. An original birth certificate, not a hospital birth record, ***must*** be presented at the time of registration or registration will not be accepted. If you do not have one, you can obtain one from the Bureau of Vital Statistics in the state in which your child was born. You will need to allow at least fourteen (14) days for delivery.

OTHER DOCUMENTS NEEDED

1. Evidence of immunization, including:

- a. Five doses of DPT vaccine
- b. Four doses of poliomyelitis vaccine
- c. Two doses of MMR
- d. Three doses of hepatitis B
- e. 2 dose of Varicella (chicken pox)
- f. A tuberculin test for foreign born

Your child will not be accepted for entrance into school in September unless the immunization requirements are met.

2. Verifications (2) of residence through home contract or lease agreement and two (2) utility bills. (Drivers License not acceptable as they are not always up to date)
3. Current custody papers, court copy, for parent or guardian issues, if applicable.

Registration packets are available at each Elementary School, Central Enrollment, Southeast Library, or at www.gocruisers.org. Please bring all of the above information and your completed registration packet with you to your scheduled appointment. You may be asked to reschedule your appointment if you paperwork is incomplete.

All information must be submitted before registration is considered complete. School placement is on a first come basis rank ordered by the date on the completed registration. Priority will not be given to enrollees with siblings in the building. For example, a kindergarten student's registration is received and the school is full then the last to enroll will go to the next available school even if the last kindergartener to enroll has siblings in that building. ***No Exceptions – Register Early!***

-PARENTS & TEACHERS AS PARTNERS-

WE BELIEVE!

Kindergarten provides experiences which will contribute to the physical, mental and emotional growth of each child. It is important that this experience be happy and challenging and contribute to the development of a positive self-image. Our kindergarten program makes an effort to provide a wealth of hands-on learning.

The child grows and develops in the following ways:

1. Through the whole language process ... speaking, listening, writing, reading ... the kindergartner begins to emerge into literacy.
2. With hands-on activities, the kindergartner learns about counting, predicting, problem solving and measuring.
3. By engaging in physical education and recess, the kindergartner gains confidence by mastering some motor skills and becoming comfortable with his/her body.
4. By painting, coloring, cutting and pasting, the kindergartner creates and learns about sizes, shapes, colors and textures.
5. By singing and listening to music, the kindergartner gains a sense of rhythm and an appreciation of music.
6. Through play activities, the kindergartner grows academically, socially, emotionally, and physically.

We encourage our families to support our beliefs and provide many opportunities outside the school which reinforce the hands-on learning.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

1. See that he has as many experiences as possible. Take your child to the Library, Zoo, COSI, Metro Parks.
2. Give him many opportunities to use scissors, crayons, pencils, clay, paints, and other art materials--to be creative, to use his imagination and inventiveness.
3. Give him opportunities to play with other children. Encourage him to be courteous and considerate of others.
4. Children enjoy hearing stories read to them that are suitable for their age level. Read to your child each day. Ask him questions about what happened in the story or what might happen next. Let him retell the story to you, if he can. Encourage him to express his ideas and his feelings with questions such as "What did you like best in the story?"
5. Answer his questions, or try to. Listen to him. Ask him about things; he will learn by thinking. Help him speak clearly--no mumbling, pointing or screaming. Enjoy talking to him so he learns to listen.
6. He needs opportunities to listen to others and to follow simple directions. He should be able to dress himself, to handle some simple household tasks, as helping set the table, water plants, clean up spills, etc.
7. Emphasize to your child that Kindergarten is a friendly, happy, and enjoyable place. On the first day of school leave your child with a cheery goodbye and a quick, happy exit. Establish the valuable habit of his attending school every day and being on time.
8. All articles of clothing, such as boots, coats, caps, scarves, sweaters, mittens, or raincoats are to be marked with the child's FIRST and LAST names for identification.
9. By the time your child starts kindergarten, he/she should be able to:
 - *Give his/her full name and the full names of parents/guardians.
 - *Remember his/her address and phone number.
 - *Dress, zip, button clothes, put on boots, and tie shoelaces.
 - *Cross streets safely.
 - *Listen to and follow simple instructions.
 - *Go to the bathroom independently, and remember to wash hands.
 - *Play cooperatively with others.
 - *Recognize his/her own name in print.
 - *Count to 10.
 - *Recognize colors, shapes, numbers, and letters of the alphabet.
 - *Take care of toys and equipment and put them away after play.

School Information

School Hours

The first three days of school in the fall will involve staggered entrance. You will receive a letter from the school late in August with pertinent information for the start of school.

Attendance

Punctuality and regularity in attendance play an important role in the development of your child's attitudes toward his school life. Promoting these habits helps to build a foundation upon which a happy, well-adjusted school and social life can be formed.

If your child is going to be absent, please call the school before classes start. When your child returns to school following an absence, please send a written note stating the reason for the absence.

Parent –Teacher Conferences

We offer several opportunities to conference with your child's teacher: fall, end of semester, and again in the spring. You will be sent information about these conference times.

There may be other times during the school year when a conference is necessary. If your child seems troubled, confused or unhappy about school, it is recommended that you confer with your child's teacher. Also the teacher may request a conference with you if your child has difficulty adjusting to certain school situations.

Supplies

There is a fee for such supplies as workbooks, construction paper and other materials. Please plan to pay this fee prior to the start of school or on the first day of school. Cash or checks are accepted by your school's secretary or your child's teacher.

Transportation

Bus transportation will be the same for kindergarten children as it is for all other elementary children. Parent should:

- Become familiar with the bus schedule so that everything will go smoothly on the first day.
- Teach your child the rules for behaving on the bus.
- Instruct your child to always come home directly after school.
- Inform your child to never accept a ride from strangers.
- Show your child the safest place to cross the street.

Any changes in transportation arrangements must be communicated in writing to the school unless it is an emergency. Changes in who will pick up your child should also be communicated to the school in writing.

Specialists Available

Each elementary school is served by a team of specialists which include a school psychologist, speech and language pathologist, guidance counselor, nurse, and learning disability specialist. They are available for consultation upon formal request of the building principal and/or teacher.

Children also receive the services of art, library, music, and physical education specialists at the building level.

School Insurance

Insurance is available to you if necessary. This policy covers your child going to and coming home from school and other activities he/she may be involved in at school. Notify the school secretary immediately in the fall should you wish to obtain this insurance.

SCHOOL HEALTH INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

ILLNESS OR SERIOUS INJURY

If your child has a fever of 100 degrees or more, vomits or has diarrhea, is too ill to be at school or has a serious injury you will be notified to pick your child up.

Please update your phone numbers and/ or employment information even when your child is in high school as they could have a life-threatening emergency and not be able to tell us the phone number where to reach you.

In general a student may return to school after an illness if the following circumstances do not conflict with our School Board Policies:

- A. They feel well enough to participate in class.
- B. They are no longer contagious.
- C. They are free of fever, diarrhea or vomiting for a full 24 hours.
- D. When blood or drainage is contained in a bandage.(There is no seepage).
- E. They have a doctor's note to return to school, if it does not conflict with our School board policies or the ODH Communicable disease manual.

EMERGENCY FORMS

State law requires each student to have an Emergency Medical authorization on file. Please make sure you sign it. Be sure to give past medical history as this information could be needed in an emergency. All the buildings except the high school have an additional emergency card that needs to be completed on both sides and will be kept in the building secretary's file.

- **Do notify school if you move or change a job.**
- **Do give the school your pager/ cell and or home phone and email address.**
- **Do not put down daycare as an emergency contact**

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

-*Chickenpox*-Your child needs to stay home until all the pox scab, are dry. and no new pox appear. This takes usually 5-7 days. The school nurse needs to be notified if your child gets this disease even if your child had the vaccine to prevent it.

-*Conjunctivitis (Pink eye)*- Call your doctor if your child has redness in the white part of their eye, it itches or hurts and has yellow or green discharge. This may be bacterial pinkeye. The eye is red, itches and has clear discharge with viral pink eye. Both types are very contagious. Your child may return to school 24 hours after the start of medication or when free of discharge.

-*Impetigo*-This is crusty scab-like yellow lesions frequently seen around the mouth or nose after a cold sore or after cuts. This needs to be treated with an antibiotic to prevent scarring or spreading. The child can return 24 hours after medicine is started and there is no oozing. Child needs to bring to the school office a note from the parent stating name of medication used plus day and time medication first applied.

-*Ringworm*-A highly contagious fungus (not a worm) causes a red raised rash in the shape of a circle. The child is excluded from school until medicated 24 hours. May return to school with a note stating name of medication used and day and time medication first applied.

-*Scabies*-This highly contagious mite causes skin problem that is treated with prescription medication and must be re-applied in 7 days. Most physicians recommend that the entire family be treated. The child can return to school after medication applied the first time though the skin irritation can take as long as a month to resolve.

-*Strep Throat or Scarlet Fever* - Call the doctor if your child has a sore throat for three days or longer as it may be strep. Your child may return to school 24 hours after starting medication, or when a negative culture is obtained and they have no fever. A doctor's diagnosis verification note may be requested.

Tuberculosis- Cases are on the rise so please report any suspected cases or positive skin tests to the school nurse. A physician's note will be needed upon return to school.

Whooping Cough (Pertussis)- This is a highly contagious (usually vaccine preventable) bacterial illness lasting several weeks. Early symptoms include a runny nose, sneezing, fever and cough symptoms similar to a common cold. About 1-2 weeks later, a cough worsens and you develop bursts of rapid coughing followed by a high pitched "whoop". A person is more contagious during the cold like stage which is 7 days after exposure to someone else's saliva droplets. However you can be contagious for up to 3 weeks after you start coughing. The child should stay home and see a doctor for diagnosis and antibiotic treatment.

IMMUNIZATIONS

State law requires immunizations to be complete when you attend school. There are medical, religious and personal exemption forms for those who request them.

All kindergarten students must show proof of at least one of each type of immunization required before starting school or be excluded. All students have 14 days to show compliance with the current state immunization requirements. Students without all of their immunizations must complete their immunizations on schedule as per the catch up schedule by the CDC. Those not complying will be excluded from school until proof of needed immunization is supplied to the school office secretary. Please update us with a copy of your child's shot record if an immunization is received from your doctor or health clinic anytime during their school years K-12. The latest vaccine required by the state is that all 7th graders need an updated Tdap or Td.

PHYSICALS

All students entering kindergarten need physicals. The physical must be within one year prior to first day of kindergarten.

FIRST AID

The district school nurses cover more than one building so they are not at each building each day. (Presently however we have a full-time nurse at the high school.) Secretaries, teachers and principals will perform basic first aid as needed when the nurse is not available. Staff will use soap, water, bandages or ice to treat injured students. We will make every attempt to notify parents if the student requires further care from their doctor or an emergency squad **using the phone numbers you provide.**

HEALTH CONCERNS

-Please inform the school if your child has any health problems that are new developments throughout the year such as diabetes, seizures, bee sting reactions, asthma, severe allergies, etc. The school nurse will want to develop a Health Care Plan so teachers and other staff know how to help your child.

-If your child has an illness or injury requiring special instructions from the doctor, provide the school with a doctor's note. (The gym teacher needs a doctor note to release your child from gym and one telling that the child can resume gym.)

-Keep the bus driver updated with any health concerns that you the parent feels the bus driver needs to be aware of as the school nurse can't due to confidentiality concerns. Call the bus garage at 836-4962.

- Food Allergies – parents are responsible for contacting their child's physician and obtaining a physician signed allergy statement for the school cafeteria manager.

SCREENINGS

Parents who don't want their child to receive the following screenings need to notify the school nurse in writing as well as a phone call to make sure the nurse receives your notification by September 1st of each year or at date of registration if a new student.

Presently the school nurses conduct the following screenings as required by the Ohio Department of Health:

Vision- Kdg., 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, students new to the district & teacher, student or parent requests.

Hearing-Kdg., 1st, 3rd, 5th, 9th, students new to the district & teacher, student or parent requests.

Height and Weight and Body Mass Index (BMI)- required by state law for Kdg., 3rd, 5th and 9th and as time allows for other grade levels. Parent needs to inform the school nurse by phone call and followed up with a written notice by September 1st or at date of enrollment if you don't want these screenings done.

Head Lice Checks – done when principal and school nurse deem necessary.

Blood Pressure-as deemed necessary or as time allows.

HEALTH EDUCATION

We appreciate parental reinforcement of hand washing with soap and water to prevent spread of possible disease. Thorough hand washing after using the restroom, before eating, after playing with pets, after changing diapers and after touching secretions like blood, sputum and nasal secretions are taught to preschool through first grade and reviewed for several years thereafter. Children are taught to cover their mouths with their arm to prevent the spread of germs from diseases or carry and use a tissue if they have a cold with secretions.

Age appropriate communicable disease education is presented in higher grade levels.

Age appropriate growth and development topics are introduced in fourth and fifth grades. Parent letters are sent home with students prior to these classes. Contact the school nurse or school counselor if you have questions.

MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

The Groveport Madison Local School District recommends and encourages parents to make every effort to medicate their children at times other than the regularly scheduled school day. However, if it becomes absolutely necessary for a student to receive medication during the school day, the following guidelines will be adhered to:

1. **The appropriate Groveport Madison Medication form must be completed by the parent and the prescribing physician and on file in the school office before any medicine can be brought to school. We have forms for oral medication, Epi-pens and carrying inhalers. There are no Epi-pens in our buildings unless you provide it for your child's potential anaphylactic reaction.** See the last pages of our handbook for a copy of the medication and asthma inhaler forms. Please detach it and complete your section if your child ever needs a medication at school. Have your child's prescribing physician complete their section. We will accept faxed forms. (In the office we have additional forms for Epi-pens.)
2. **The parent, guardian or another adult they appoint must bring the appropriate completed forms and medication to school. It will be counted and the amount of medication supplied will be recorded on the Administration of Medication form by that adult and an appropriate school personnel.** Do not send medication with your child unless it is an inhaler and we have the appropriate form that allows your child to carry their inhaler.

3. The school nurse or the school nurse trained school personnel that the school principal appoints to give medication will record giving the medicine on the Administration of Medication form for that student in the school medication book. Those forms become part of the student's file.
4. If there is any question or confusion about medication or the administration of the medication, we will call the parent or guardian. We **WILL NOT GIVE THE MEDICINE TO THE STUDENT UNTIL QUESTIONS ARE RESOLVED.**

HEAD LICE

Lice are highly communicable and difficult to prevent, but if every parent will take the responsibility to check the entire family often, these parasites can be controlled. This is often a frustrating problem to deal with, but the following information should help you to identify and treat head lice safely and thoroughly.

Reporting Cases: Do not be embarrassed to notify your child's school (daycare, camp, coaches, etc.) so direct contacts of your child can be checked. Please call the school so the nurse can call you to get the names of persons who have been in your home or your child in theirs. Head lice don't fly or jump so one case doesn't warrant a whole classroom check. Parental cooperation will help protect all children including your own.

How do you get Lice? Many people associate lice with unclean people or homes. This is not true in the case of head lice. Frequent bathing or shampooing will not prevent lice nor eliminate them once they are established. Head lice are usually transmitted by the head to head contact of infested persons or wearing infested clothing or using an infested comb or brush. Children should be warned against sharing hats, helmets, hair accessories, clothing or grooming aids with others. The lice bugs live 24 hours off of a human and a nit off of the head doesn't produce a live louse. We advise you to take a plastic bag to put on the seat at the movie theatre as they have cloth seats.

What to look for? Lice are small insects about the size of a sesame seed. They are usually light brown but can be gray or black. They move quickly and shy away from the light, making them difficult to see. Diagnosis is more often made on the basis of finding nits (eggs). Nits are tiny, yellowish-white oval specks attached to hair shafts. As the louse deposits her eggs (3-4 per day), the female cements them to the hairs, and unlike lint or dandruff, they will not wash off or blow away. Children seen scratching their heads frequently should be examined at once. Often red marks or scratch marks can be seen on the scalp and neck.

Treatment of the individual: Before one family member is treated, all should be examined. Those showing evidence of infestation should be all be treated at the same time.

1. Purchase and use an anti-lice hair care product from your local grocery store. **DO READ ALL PACKAGE INFORMATION BEFORE USING THESE PRODUCTS.** Remove child's shirt and provide a washcloth to cover the eyes. (This is essential) **Do not treat in the bathtub or shower**, but have the child lean over the sink (by doing this you confine the lice product to the scalp/neck).
2. Remove all nits(eggs). Some special lice combs help you in the nit removal process however if your child has fine hair or hair prone to tangles you will need to use your fingernails, tweezers or scissors. Louse products do not kill all the nits and survivors hatch into crawling lice within 7-10 days of being laid. Section off parts of the hair to easily see the nits. Put the nits in a plastic bag and put in the trash can.

There are also products at the store to put on the hair to make nit removal easier. Some people feel those help.

3. Following nit removal, have child put on clean clothing. Continue to check your child daily for any nits. Treatment itself can cause itching, so don't retreat on itchiness alone.

Treatment of personal articles and environment:

1. **Don't use insecticides or pediculicide sprays as they are not effective and are not recommended by boards of health or school nurses.**
2. Machine wash all washable clothing and bed linens which have been in contact with the infested person during the last several days. Articles should be washed in as hot of water as possible and dried in a hot dryer. Non-washables can be vacuumed or dry cleaned, an example is coats.
3. Car seats, rugs, upholstered furniture and mattresses (and any other personal items that cannot be washed, e.g. stuffed animals) should be carefully vacuumed to pick up any living lice or nits attached to fallen hairs. Remove the vacuum bag afterwards and put a new bag in the sweeper. Then put the vacuum bag in a plastic bag and throw in trash. Stuffed animals and throw pillows can be placed in a sealed air tight plastic bag for 2 weeks.
4. All combs and brushes should be washed in hot water with the anti-lice product.

RETURN TO SCHOOL: Your child may return to school after anti-lice treatment and when all lice have been removed and we see adequate progress to removing nits. The school nurse or the school nurse trained school personnel needs to check your child to make sure he/she is lice free so there is no chance of spreading the lice. Your child's hair needs to be dry, combed out, and free of spray, gel, braids or cornrows so the hair can be adequately screened. Call the school to find out where you need to take your child to get checked to get the written OK to go back to school.

WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Groveport Madison school nurses have compiled this health information. Please also read the Health Information section in the School Handbook. Call your school nurse to receive names of pediatricians, family doctors, dentists, or eye specialists who have offices nearby, or if you have any other questions.

Health Screening/Physicals

- Child's pediatrician or family health care provider
- Children's Hospital Community Pediatric/ Adolescent Services, John Maloney
Southeast Clinic – 1833 Parsons Avenue. Call 722-6200 to schedule an appointment – can pay sliding scale fee.

Follow-Up on Hearing and Speech Referral

- Child's pediatrician or family health care provider
- Children's Hospital Speech & Hearing Department, 700 Children's Drive, 722-3975
- Columbus Speech & Hearing Center, 4110 N. High Street, 263-5151
- Ohio State University Speech & Language Clinic, Pressey Hall, 1070 Carmack, 292-6251

If Child Does Not Pass Vision Screening

- If you cannot afford vision exam and/or glasses, your child may qualify for a medical card. Call Franklin County Human Services at 233-2380 to apply.
- Call an eye doctor; some may let you pay so much a month (Installment Plan)
- Please call the school nurse for further assistance.

Dental Services

- **Private Dentists**
- **Columbus Children's Hospital Dental Clinic**, 700 Children's Drive, 722-5650
Monday – Friday, and some Saturdays. Call for hours. ***In case of an emergency after 4 p.m. call 722-2000 and ask for dental resident on call.***
- **Columbus Health Department Community Dental Programs**, 240 Parsons Avenue, call 645-7487. Monday – Friday, 7:45 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. Closed 12-1 for lunch. ***In case of an emergency call Monday, Thursday, Friday at 8:00 a.m. for same day appointment.***
- **Nisonger Center Dental Program**, 1581 Dodd Drive, for Special Needs Children Only
call 292-3160 Monday – Friday 8-12 a.m. and 1:00-4:30 p.m.
- **Nisonger Dental Center at Johnstown Rd. at the Early Childhood Center** (for children with special needs up to age 16), 2879 Johnstown Rd., call 342-5795.
- **The Ohio State University College of Dentistry**, 305 W. 12th Avenue, 292-2027
Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. for appointment. This is for children up to 18 years old. Payment due at time of visit.
- Individuals and families without dental insurance or Medicaid (state assistance) coverage can call the above places to see if they can pay a sliding scale. If you have low income, you may be eligible to call 233-6388. For Spanish or Somalian interpreters call 1-888-765-6789 to participate in ***Dental Options***. Once approved you would pay a discounted fee based on household circumstances for services by the dentist. Also you would pay the dentist rate for services not covered by the *Dental Options* program. At this time the only services not covered are braces for those over age 18 and dental implants for any age person.

Financial Help Available to Provide for Child Health Services

- **Healthy Start (Medicaid)**; call 233-2380 to find out if your child is eligible to participate in the *Healthy Start (Molina, CareSource, etc)* programs for health care.

Immunizations

- your child's pediatrician or family health care provider
- a clinic at a grocery store or drugstore
- Health Departments

At the Health Departments people are served on a first come, first served basis. The clinics have the right to stop accepting clients before posted hours if the number of clients is too high. Right before you go, you can call 645-1474, select option 2 to find out if the clinic is turning away clients that day because of too many clients. Parent/legal guardian must bring their child or do one of the following. If you can't be there at the **Franklin County Health Department**, the parent can go to their website and download and complete a consent form to allow someone else to take your child (www.franklincountyohio.gov/health).

For the **Columbus Health Department**, the parent can write a note telling the Columbus Health Dept. to allow (name of person) to sign for your child to get what shots they need and sign and date your note. Cost-\$10 fee per shot (to cover administrative costs) and \$15 assessment fee. **HOWEVER**, no one is turned away if you can't afford it. The vaccines would then be given at no charge. Take with you a copy of your child's immunization record, and your child's insurance card.

Columbus Health Department has a walk-in clinic. Located at 240 Parsons Avenue. Call 645-7945 for days, times and costs.

- Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays- 8 - 4:15.
- Second Saturdays of the month open 8a.m. – 11a.m.
- Tuesdays open 11 a.m.- 6 p.m.
- Wednesday- Closed
- Directions: From the east, take I-70 West to 71 North staying in the right lane to exit onto Broad Street. Turn right onto Broad Street. Immediately turn right onto Parsons Avenue. Just after Bryden Rd. turn LEFT into the alley just before the black fence surrounding the Health Department. As you enter the alley you will then look for the parking lot on the right and park in that lot. Enter the building to find the Immunization Clinic on the right.

Franklin County Health Department

- 3rd Thursday of the month at the Groveport Municipal Building, 655 Blacklick Street, Groveport, 9:30-11:30 and 1-3 p.m. Directions: Go south on Old Hamilton Rd. past Motts Military Museum, across the railroad tracks, then turn east (left) on Blacklick Street. Park in front on the street or in the lot behind.

*** SCHOOL DISTRICT PERSONNEL AND PHONE NUMBERS ***

<u>Groveport Madison Schools</u>	<u>Bldg. No.</u>	<u>Secretary</u>
Asbury Elementary, Mr. Jim Sullivan	833-2000	Jody Price
Dunloe Elementary, Mrs. Jane Curry	833-2008	Vickie Overmeyer
Glendening Elementary, Mr. Curt Brogan	836-4972	Terri Ray
Groveport Elementary, Mrs. Todd Boggs	836-4975	Diana Braden
Madison Elementary, Mrs. Cyndi Toledo	833-2011	Terri Vatter
Sedalia Elementary, Mrs. Dee Copas	833-2014	Sharon Minton
Middle School North, Mr. Dave Lanning	837-5508	Kathy Nagy
Middle School South, Mr. Dennis Harden	836-4953	Karen Timmons
Junior High School, Mr. Paul Galloway	836-4957	Pam Ling
High School, Mr. Aric Thomas	836-4964	Diana Thompson
Extended Day Program, Mrs. Jeanne Grubb	836-2016	
Petermann Transportation	836-4962	
Superintendent, H. Scott McKenzie	492-2520	Marge Beaver
Assistant Superintendent, Bruce Hoover	"	Amy Davidson
	"	Elaine Davis
Director of School Improvement, Monique Hamilton	"	Lisa Santo
Director of Pupil Services, Rich Playko	"	Bev Haun
Gifted Coordinator, Melody Blake		
Title I / Testing Coordinator, April Bray	"	
Wingspread Developmental, Dr. Brooke Hippler	"	
Special Education Supervisor, Dr. Judy Eisel	"	
Public Relations Supervisor, Chris Bowser	"	
Business Manager, Larry Ricchi	"	
Treasurer, Anthony Swartz	"	

Kindergarten Supply List 2012-2013

4 boxes of 24 count Crayola crayons

1 package of sharpened standard #2 pencils

(plain – no designs)

8 glue sticks (large)

2 boxes of tissues

1 package of baby wipes

1 set of 8 washable classic **Crayola** markers

2 black dry-erase markers

1 full size book bag (no wheels) must fit a folder

1 notebook (1 inch/3 ring)

Gallon zip lock bags (boys only)

Quart zip lock bags (girls only)

The First Day of Kindergarten

I used to be little, but not anymore,
Tomorrow I'll get up and walk out the door.
I'm going to Kindergarten – it's the first time for me.
It's great to be big, but I'm scared as can be.

My tummy's in knots. You want to know why?
I'm thinking that maybe, just maybe I'll cry.
When Dad leaves the school and I'm there all alone,
I'm thinking that maybe I'll want to go home.

But wait – Mommy said I'll play lots of new games,
And meet lots of friends – I can learn all their names.
The first day of Kindergarten, oh there's so much to do!
There's painting and books and a big playground, too!

I used to be little, but not anymore.
Tomorrow I'll get up and walk out the door.
I'm going to Kindergarten – it's my first day, you see.
It's great to be big! I'm so glad that I'm me.

ABC'S FOR PARENTS

Activities should be provided that stimulate interest

Be attentive to your child's needs

Children have individual learning styles

Doing is learning

Every child needs some time alone

Follow-up on your child's interests

Grow and learn with your child

Humor-keep your sense of it

Invent your own creative games

Join in your child's activities

Keep your eyes open and observe your child

Love your child-tell him/her

Mom and dad are the best teachers

Name objects while talking to your child

One child's ceiling is another child's floor

Play is the way children learn

Quiet time is a growing time

Read and talk with your child as much as possible

Stop when your young child loses interest

Teach with a casual approach

Understand what your child needs to learn

View the world from your child's eye level

Wait until the child is ready to learn

Xamine your attitudes and the example you set

Zoo, farm, fire station, park-don't forget field trips