



## Stix Early Childhood Center

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you are enjoying your summer. The Stix Staff and I look forward to meeting our new families and welcoming back our returning families for the 2018/2019 School Year! I hope you find helpful information for the new school year in this letter.

**First Day of School:** Tuesday, August 14, 2018

### **Student Registration**

#### **ALL NEW STUDENTS, RETURNING PK and K STUDENTS:**

Registration times will be from 9:00am – 11:30am & 1:00pm - 3:00pm each day. The office closes for lunch from 12:00 – 1:00 each day. **Upon completion of the registration process, you will be given the information concerning your child's teacher and classroom for the 2018/2019 school year.**

Registration will be Monday, July 30 through Friday, August 3 and also Monday, August 6 through Friday, August 10. Parents please bring the following:

- Photo ID (License, School ID)
- Proof of residency (Unpaid utility bill such as: gas, electric, At & T phone bill, cable bill)
- Child's original birth certificate
- Immunization record (Shot record)
- Copy of physical exam
- Copy of dental exam
- Report card (if coming from another school)

#### **Returning Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Students**

You will need updated immunizations and physical records prior to your child starting school.

#### **Meet the Teacher Night – Mark your calendars!!!**

In order to help each student feel comfortable with his/her new classroom and new teacher, we will be hosting a "Meet the Teacher" event on Thursday, August 9, 2018. Please come by the school anytime between 4:30 – 6:30pm. Although teachers will still be making the final touches on their classrooms, this is an opportunity for you and your child to see the new classroom, meet the teacher and calm any fears either of you may have! New families can also take this opportunity to familiarize yourself and your child with the playground, library, cafeteria, and bus drop-off area. You may park in the bus lane for this event.

### Daily Attendance

We need all students at school, every day, on time. Children begin transitioning to their classrooms at 9:05 each morning from the playground. It is extremely important that your child begins the day with his/her classroom teacher. Absences for vacations will not be considered as excused absences *[SLPS]* and as such will be handled according to the excessive absence policy P5118. Excessive absences and excessive late arrivals have negative effects on your child's academic and social growth. Please work with us to ensure your child arrives *on time, every day!*

### School Uniform Policy

The current student uniform policy for Stix is:

Shorts, pants, skirts and jumpers in: black, tan or navy.

Shirts with collars, no emblems (except for Stix emblems/logos) solid colors in: white, red, blue, yellow and green. Stix wear (t-shirts) are always acceptable to wear – we hope to have a “Stix Wear Sale” sometime in the fall.

### Student Dismissal

**The school day ends at 4:07. Children (K – 2) who are ‘pickups’ can be picked up from the pickup room (music room) beginning at 3:50. PK ONLY students can be picked up beginning at 3:15. We allow for PK early dismissal to help ease the congestion on our parking lot.**

Please ensure you complete the appropriate school forms to indicate all friends and family members who you allow to pick your child up from school. You can include as many adults (age 18 or older) as possible. We cannot allow anyone to pick up a student if his/her name is not listed on the school forms. Forms will be sent home the first week of school with your child for our returning families. Questions concerning this policy can be answered by any office staff member. This form is required for all students, even if your child rides a bus on a daily basis. Again this year, we will have the procedure for pick-up students that involves color-coded cards. This process will help ensure the safety for all of our children. The process and cards will be explained at registration and during Meet the Teacher Night.

### Cell Phones

We are requesting that parents DO NOT USE cell phones while driving on the parking lot or while on the school premises. Please do not use your cell phone when you are picking up your child, in the front office, or when you are in the classrooms. Thank you for respecting the environment we are striving to establish in our school. *Children are not to bring cell phones to school.*

### No Soda or Chips for Lunch!

Together with the district, we are trying to help establish healthy eating habits for our children. Breakfasts and lunches are well-rounded meals that include vegetables and fruits. If your child receives a school lunch, please **do not send additional foods such as chips, fruit drinks or soda.** If you pack your child's lunch, please **do not include large bags of chips or any kind of soda.** Any large bag of chips, such as Hot Fries, Fritos, Doritos, etc. will be sent back home with the child, he/she will not be allowed to eat them at school. If you need clarification on this policy, please speak with Mrs. Dymond.

Please post the additional page with “Important Dates to Remember” somewhere in your home so you won't miss these important dates for the 2018/2019 School Year!

Looking Forward to a Year Full of Learning,

*Mrs. Dymond*

*Stix ECC – Character is Key! 2018/2019*



## **2018/2019 School Year Important Dates to Remember:**

Registration for all **new students** AND *Prekindergarten and Kindergarten Students* 9:00am - 11:30 am and 1:00– 3:00 pm. Office closes for lunch from 12 – 1 every day. Dates for registration are:

Monday, July 30 through Friday, August 3

And

Monday, August 6 through Friday, August 10

**Thursday, August 9 – Meet the Teacher!** 4:30 – 6:30pm.

Come anytime between 4:30 – 6:30 to visit the classroom and meet your child's teacher. This is an informal time to see the classroom, meet the teacher, and familiarize you and your child with the school.

**Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> - FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

**Tuesday, September 11 – Curriculum Night for all grade levels**

6:00pm in the cafeteria

We hope to see all of our families at our Meet the Teacher and Curriculum Night!



**Bear Care  
Before and After Care  
Information for Registration  
Hours: Before Care begins at 7 a.m.  
After Care ends at 6 p.m.**

**Fee: \$25 application fee (non-refundable) must accompany the application  
Cost Per Month: \$150 per month for Before OR Aftercare, \$200 for both.  
Monthly payments are to be paid 2 weeks before the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month.**

**You can find all of the forms for our Bear Care Before and After Care Program on  
our website at <https://www.slps.org/Domain/1610>**

**All checks should be made payable to Stix ECC. If mailing any checks or forms over  
the summer, please send to:**

**Bear Care Coordinator  
647 Tower Grove Ave.  
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