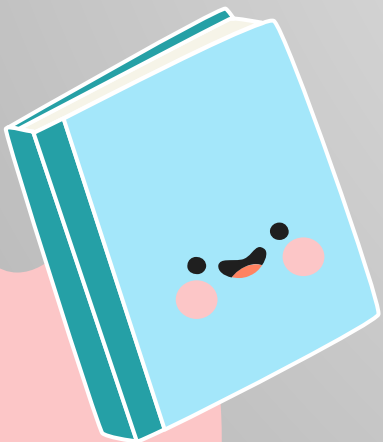


Fred C. Underhill School



February 7, 2024

Incoming Kindergarten Parent Information Night





Agenda

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- Mission
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- Reading and Math
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- School Guidance
- Registration
- Other School Information
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Introductions

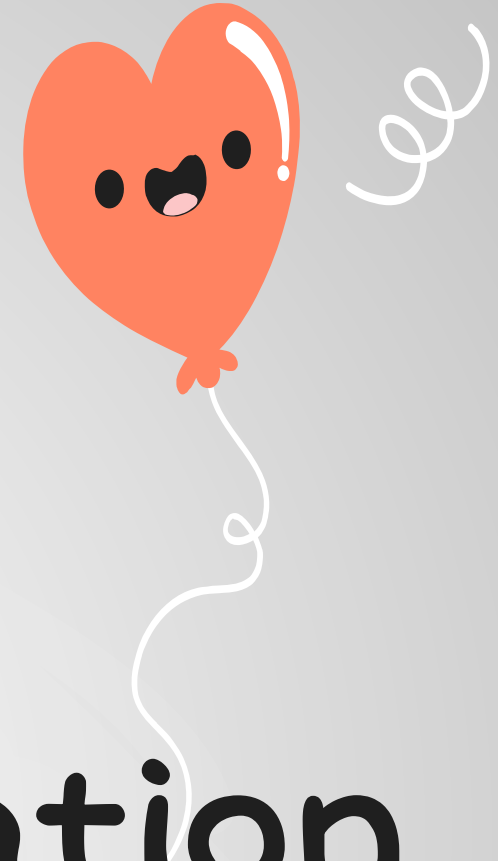
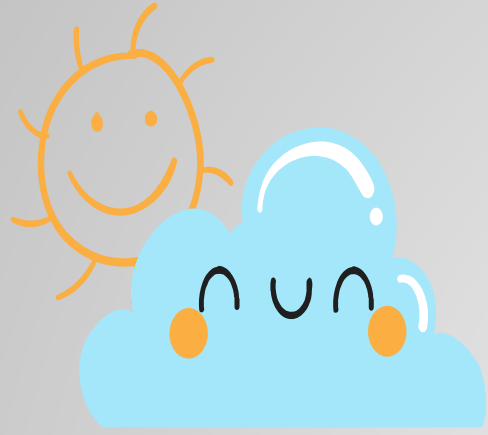
- Ben Loi, Principal
- Jen Colantuoni, Assistant Principal
- Maura Ouellette and Amy Martel, Office Staff
- Kindergarten Teachers
 - Mrs. Baldoumas, Mrs. Devereaux, Mrs. Delani, Mrs. Kelley, Mrs. Pawlusiak, Ms. Prindiville, Mrs. Wood
- Fred the Cub, Our Mascot





Tour





School Information



School Information

- Original Construction: 1958
- Starting Point for Hooksett Schools
- PreK-Grade 2: 424 students
- 86 Staff Members
- Multi-use Facility for School & Community
- Community Partnerships





The Underhill Way




Keep it on your mind. Be responsible, safe, and kind.





Our Mission for Students

Our Mission is to develop well-rounded, confident and responsible individuals who strive to achieve their full potential. We will do this by providing a welcoming, happy, safe, and supportive learning environment in which everyone collaborates and all achievements are celebrated.



Class Sizes

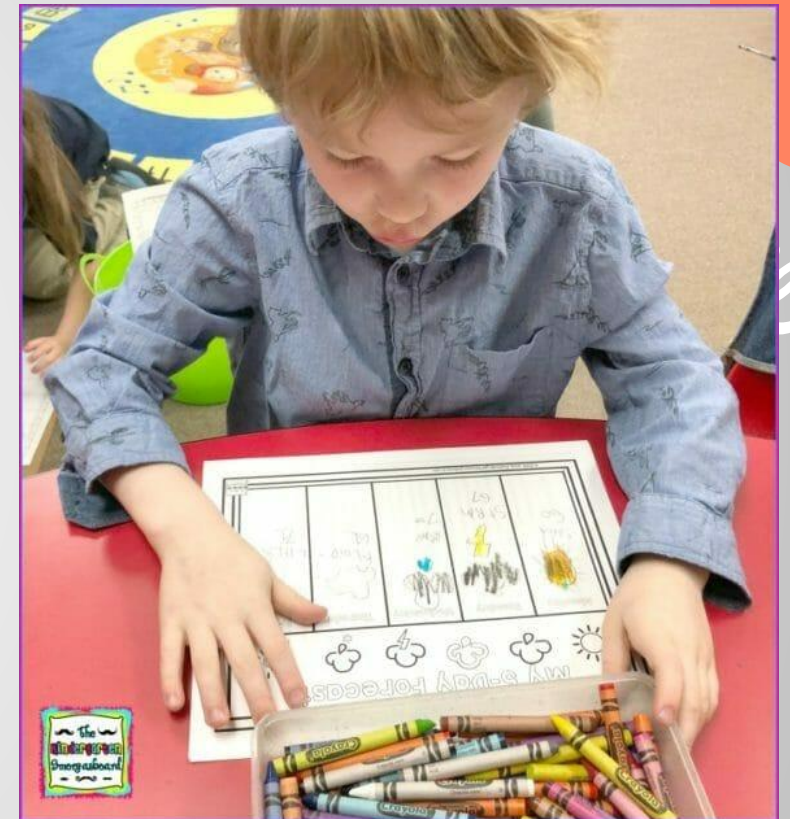
Current (2023-2024 School Year)

- 134 Kindergarten Students
- 7 Classes, 7 Teachers, & 7 Classroom Assistants
- Ratio of 1:10 (1 staff member to 10 students)



Kindergarten Typical Day

- Morning Meeting/Circle Time
- Calendar, Weather, Songs, Poems, etc.
- Reading/Writing
- Snack
- Math
- Lunch
- Recess
- Quiet Time
- Science/Social Studies
- Art, Music, Physical Education, Library/Media
- Choice Activities
- Guided Play



Disclaimer: The information on this slide is for informational purposes only and does not reflect the actual schedule.



Reading/ELA Competencies

- Names all uppercase and lowercase letters and their sounds.
- Recognizes rhyming words.
- Blends and segments sounds in words.
- Reads grade level high frequency words by sight.
- Reads grade level text.
- Makes meaning of literary and informational text.
- Composes writing to share opinions, information and personal narratives.
- Applies grade level phonics in writing.
- Gathers information and recalls experiences to answer questions.



Math Competencies



- Reads numerals from 0-20.
- Counts to 100.
- Writes numerals 0-20.
- Counts to tell the number of objects.
- Compares two numerals between 1-10.
- Uses strategies to add and subtract within 10.
- Compares length, weight and height.
- Identifies and describes shapes.
- Puts shapes together to make a new shape.





Work Study Practices

Students are supported in their development of these work study practices.

- Communication
 - Self-advocacy
 - Participation
 - Work completion
 - Perseverance
 - Original and Flexible Thinking
 - Collaboration
 - Listening
 - Responsibility
 - Effort
 - Time Management
 - Independence
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Other Programs

- Unified Arts
 - Art
 - Music
 - Physical Education/Health
 - Library/Media
 - Advanced Learner Program (ALPs)
 - Literacy Support
 - Special Education Program
 - Title 1 Interventions
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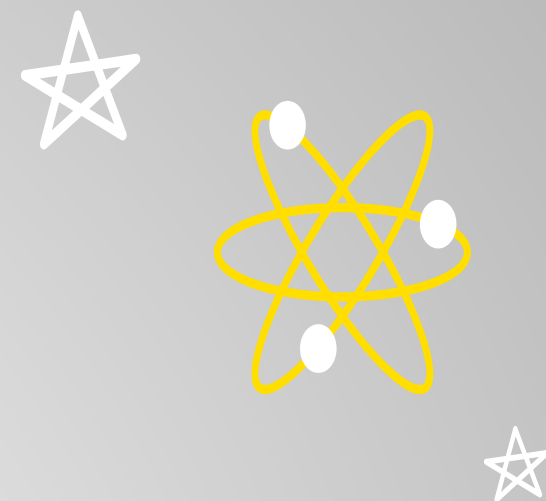
School Guidance & Counseling

- Identifying Feelings
- Cause and Effect
- Self-Regulation
- Collaboration
- Friendship
- Social Awareness
- Anti-Bullying
- Mindfulness
- Appreciating Differences
- Multiple-Intelligences
- Growth Mindset
- Community



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Registration



What is Needed for Your Child to Start School

- ❑ Completed online forms in Powerschool
- ❑ 2 Proofs of Residency - Must be a Hooksett resident
 - ❑ Mortgage statement, rental/lease agreement, purchase and sales agreement or deed.

AND

- ❑ A utility bill with the same address on it.
- ❑ Birth Certificate
- ❑ Physical Exam
- ❑ Immunizations



Entrance Age

Hooksett School District Policy JEB

A student, who is a Hooksett resident, entering the first grade at the Hooksett elementary schools must be six years of age on or before September 30th. A child entering kindergarten must be five years of age on or before September 30th.



Registration Portal

- Please do not submit your registration yet!
- Registrations for new students will be accepted starting End of February/Early March (Tentative Date).
- An announcement will be posted on the school's website and on social media when the portal is open.
- Registration Link - <https://hooksett.sau15.net/registration/>



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Registration & Enrollment

New K-8 Students – This School Year 2023-2024

If you are new to the Hooksett School District and wish to enroll your student for the 2023-2024 school year, please review the following information.

New students enrolling for this school year, September 5, 2023 – June 18, 2024.

This is for students who are NEW to the Hooksett School District (never enrolled in a Hooksett school), and are enrolling for the 2023-2024 school year. The form requires you to create a PowerSchool Registration account, then select "Add Student" to enter and submit your new student's information. You will also need to prepare the following documents to submit via the form, or deliver them to the front office of your enrolling school.

- The child's information
- The child's birth certificate
- Proof of Residence
 - Mortgage
 - Current
 - Lease or rental agreement
- Documentation of the child's last physical exam (must have occurred on or before September 6th for the start of a new school year)

Don't start your registration yet!

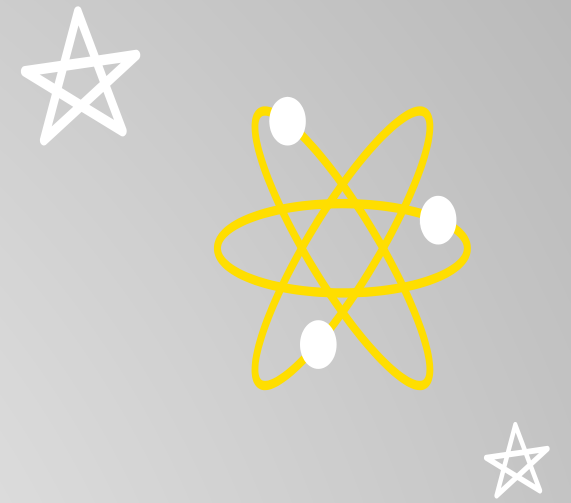
WATCH SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS



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Other School Information





- Pick Up Patrol is an absence/dismissal program.
- In late July/Early August, you will get a letter telling you to look for an email from Pick Up Patrol to set up your account.
- You can set up your default dismissal plans, input plan changes and absences.
- Access it through your phone, tablet, or computer.
- Safe, efficient, and no cost to parents.



Transportation

- The Hooksett School District provides bus transportation to and from school for all students.
- Bus routes will be published in August (tentative).
- The Bus Company offers a free GPS bus tracking app called FirstView.
- The app allows you to set a daily schedule and you can set a radius for when you would like to receive notifications.



Before and After School Care



- The New Morning School School Age program is located on site.
- They provide before and after school care for Kindergarten to 5th Grade.
- Website: <https://www.newmorningschools.com/schoolage>
- See flyer for some more information

The community also has other before and after school care options:

- Mary Go Round
- Tic Tac Tots
- Brighter Future
- Bright Beginnings
- Hooksett's Best Daycare
- Above and Beyond Childcare
- Places You'll Grow
- Granite State Gymnastics



School Nutrition Program

- The School Nutrition program offers breakfast and lunch options.
 - Daily offerings include one or more of the following: Munchable Plates, Yogurt Plates, Assorted Sandwiches.
 - A complete meal includes an Entrée, Fruit, Veggie, and Choice of Milk.
- Students may also purchase snack milk.
- Free and reduced price meal applications may be processed at any time during the school year.
- Current Prices:
 - Breakfast: \$1.50
 - Lunch: \$2.90
- Parents can use My School Bucks to make payments online.



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Communications

- The district uses a notification program, Bright Arrow, to share information regarding school closures, delays, events, topics, or emergency situations.
- We also use the website, Facebook, Twitter, and Seesaw to provide information to families.
- Principal's Updates are sent via email and social media.



Ready For Success

- Ready for Success is a program offered by the district to help incoming kindergartners develop their confidence and basic skills before starting in the fall.
 - Two 2-week sessions: July 8-18 and July 22-August 1 (Dates are Tentative)
 - Monday - Thursday -- 9:00-11:00am
 - Parents must provide transportation.
 - Students will need a backpack, a snack, and a drink.
 - Students practice routines, how to get around the school, social skills, and pre-academic skills.
 - This program is offered at no cost to parents.
 - Invitations will be sent via email at the end of March. Students must be fully registered to participate in this program.
 - It will be filled first come first served. There will be 12 seats for each session.
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Things You Can Do at Home

- Read to your child and talk to your child about what you've read.
- Practice letters, sounds and numbers in fun ways.
- Listen to songs with word/number play and sounds.
- Use a breadth of vocabulary in everyday conversations.
- Encourage physical activity.
- Engage in activities that require attention like puzzles, playdough, painting or coloring, cutting and pasting.
- Play games that require turn taking.
- Participate in the Public Library's programs for children.



We're Here for You!

- **Health/Medical Questions**
 - April Fraser, School Nurse
- **Social Skills Questions**
 - Carly Wentzell, School Counselor
- **Educational Questions**
 - Classroom Teachers
 - Literacy Support Staff
 - Special Education Staff
- **All of the Above and More**
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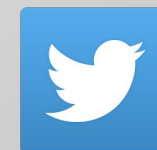
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Important Dates*

- **End of February/Early March**
 - New student registration opens
- **End of March**
 - Ready For Success Invites Go Out
- **August**
 - Class Assignments Announced
 - Bus Stops Published
- **End of August**
 - Meet Your Teacher
- **September 3, 2024**
 - Projected First Day of School

**Dates are tentative and subject to change.*

Questions

