



September 2026

Dear Preschool Parents,

We made it through the first week with flying colors!! The children are adjusting well to their new classrooms and teachers. The teachers are doing a fantastic job making the children feel welcome and comfortable.

Just a few reminders for you to help the day go smoothly:

- If your child is sick, please stay home. When in doubt, please consult the guidelines in your parent handbook.
- Let us know if your child will be absent. You can email your teacher or the preschool office or leave a phone message. The preschool number is 302-478-3876 and my email is director@concordiapreschool.org.
- The drop off car line begins at 8:50. We've been doing a good job getting everyone in by 9:00. If you need to come late, please report to the upstairs door with your child and ring the bell.
- Please watch for other cars in the parking lot. We have 2 car lines happening with turning and merging traffic. We ask that you please be patient and drive slowly. **DO NOT PASS** a car in the car line or pull out and leave unless a staff member directs you to do so.
- At dismissal, please be aware of your surroundings and hold onto your child in the parking lot. Children are not allowed to play on the big rock, but they can play on the hill if supervised.
- Make sure your child gets plenty of rest. The beginning of school can wear a preschooler out. Now is the time to make sure you are in a good bedtime routine.
- The 2 year old classes will dismiss at 11:00 until Oct. 5 when they switch to noon.

Fall Fundraising Frenzy

We have several fundraising opportunities in the next several weeks. Participation is welcomed and appreciated but certainly not mandatory. We have tried to pick a few options that may interest you and give us the most "bang for your buck". Our Advisory Board VPs Nina Loudon and Gracey Tull are running the fundraisers, and their contact information will be included with the fundraiser should you have questions or need help. A few of the opportunities are listed below and more will be coming soon.

In a few weeks, you will receive the **Original Art Works** program. Your teacher will select a piece of your child's artwork. You can order different items with this artwork on it such as mugs, key chains, t-shirts, etc. The items are wonderful mementos for your family and great gifts for relatives. Please remember to return the artwork with the order forms. Orders will be here in time for Christmas.

Our first **Scholastic Book order** will be sent home at the beginning of October. You will receive the paper flyers and can also browse and order online. The order deadline is Friday, Oct.

9th. Scholastic Book orders earn us points that we can redeem for books and early literacy materials for our school.

Look for "No-Cook Nights" a few times over the course of the year. Go out to eat with your family and raise money for your school at the same time! Win-Win!! Certain area restaurants will give Concordia a percentage of the bill. Sometimes you will need a flyer and sometimes just to mention Concordia Preschool. Dates and locations will be posted.

Our first No Cook Night is Tuesday, September 22 at Sweet Lucy's at 3201 Concord Pike from 3-8 pm (it's really just a sweet treat this time). A flyer was shared in our FB groups and our main social media pages. No flyer is needed with your purchase, but please mention Concordia Preschool at the check out. We will receive 15% of the total of your bill donated to our school.

Trunk or Treat- Save the date! Friday October 9th from 5:30- 7 pm. This is a fun event that you will not want to miss!! A flyer was sent home and is posted on socials. There is a QR code that takes you to a Zeffy link to sign up and pay. Come and decorate your car at 5 and Trick or Treat starts at 5:30. Refreshments (Pizza and DONUTNV food truck) will be available to purchase that night too.

Lunch Bunch

Lunch Bunch is for our 3 and 4 year old classes and is held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Sign up and payment are all online. You can access the sign up genius from your class FB page or the preschool website. All lunch items must be nut-free. Pick up is typically at the playground at 1:15. If the weather prevents us from playing outside, pick up is at the downstairs doors.

You will be invoiced at the end of the month to pay for the number of lunch bunches your child attended.

Emergency Planning

Our main alarm system was checked and tested by our alarm company on 9/3/26. Each month, we have a fire drill. Our 3 and 5 day classes had their first fire drill on Friday, Sept. 18. The first drill is announced to the teachers ahead of time. During a drill, the classes exit the building and head to their assigned spot to wait for the all clear. There is a small bell that I ring, not the big, loud alarm system. While in line, the teachers hold up a flag (Green which indicates all is good or Red which indicates they need assistance). Our drill in October will occur on a Tuesday or Thursday and will be unannounced. It's always good for us to practice multiple ways to exit our building safely!

I tested our Call Multiplier system on Sunday, Sept. 13. The call went to all the numbers you listed on your emergency phone tree form. If you need to change any of your emergency numbers, please let me know.

**** Your primary number is the number we will use for weather related closings.**

The staff at Concordia looks forward to a wonderful year filled with lots of love and learning! Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Helen Spillan
Preschool Director

Upcoming Events:

9/22 Sweet Lucy's NCN Fundraiser 3-8 pm

9/25 Friday Specials begin

10/1,2 Scholastic Book order flyers come home. Last day to order is 10/9

10/5 2 year old classes dismiss at noon

10/9 Trunk or Treat 5:30-7 pm.

10/15,16 Original Works fundraiser coming home. Orders are due by 10/26

10/12 Fall Break, NO School

10/30 Halloween Parade for 3 and 4 year old classes 9:15.

10/30 No Friday Specials