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Dear KC Families,

Hello! My name is Nicole Chasse, and I will be your child's Kindergarten teacher. Despite the challenges of the past year, we had a magical year with our students. I am thrilled to begin another one with our new kindergarten students and families, and to welcome returning families to our classroom!

Check out our website at: <u>http://kc-frr.com</u> for more information on our classroom and the start of the school year. When you can, please take some time to fill out our "<u>KC Parent/Guardian Information Form</u>," This form gives me all of the information I need so I can support your child in the best way possible during his/her transition to Kindergarten!

Please come to our classroom (Room 266) for a short visit on <u>Thursday 9/1</u> any time between 2-3 p.m. This visit will give you and your child the opportunity to meet me and the other classroom teachers (Emily O'Hara - our amazing paraprofessional; and Ava Glick - our BU Fall student teacher). You and your child will also explore our classroom environment. Coming into a new classroom or a new school can be a very exciting and, at times, overwhelming experience for young children. This meeting allows your child the opportunity to ease into the transition of starting kindergarten with her or his family close by sharing in the experience.

During this first visit, students will get to choose their cubbies and name card patterns. I will show them our visual daily schedule, and they will have a chance to explore the different work centers within the room. I will also have some information for families regarding Kindergarten, such as notes about what to expect the first couple days/weeks of school and logistical information.

Here is some helpful information about the first days of school.

- In order to slowly initiate our young students into the Kindergarten classroom, half of our class will begin school on Tuesday 9/6 and the other half will attend on Wednesday 9/7.

Students with last names beginning with A-K will attend on Tuesday 9/6; students with last names beginning with L-Z will attend on Wednesday 9/7. On both 9/6 and 9/7, <u>students will be dismissed at noon, and no lunch will be served.</u> Students should pack a nut-free snack. We will send more information later on arrival/dismissal procedures on these days.

-Our class will meet all together on Thursday 9/8 for our first full day of school from 8:00-2:30

If you have any questions or concerns for me before the start of school, please email me at nicole_chasse@psbma.org. I am really looking forward to working with a new community of learners and I can't wait to get to know our new students and families!

Welcome to KC!

Nicole Chasse



Supply List

The following supplies are requested to help our classroom get up and running, keep everyone healthy, and support our learning. With the exception of your child's backpack, portfolio binder, and family photo, all supplies will be *classroom* supplies and used by our entire classroom community. Should any of these supplies pose a hardship, please let me know and I will make certain that every student has what she/he needs!

- A backpack big enough to fit a folder and lunchbox inside.

- A "Snack" bag and a "Lunch" bag. It is helpful to have 2 separate bags that are already labeled with your child's name.

- A labeled water bottle.

- An extra change of clothing: pants, shorts, socks, shirt, underwear all labeled and placed in a labeled Ziploc gallon bag for easy storage in our classroom.

- A 1^{*} <u>white</u> binder (this will be used as your child's portfolio over the course of our school year).

- A picture of your family (to hang inside your child's cubby). It is very comforting for children to see familiar faces, especially over the first few weeks of school.

Optional Supplies:

We are always in need of the following items and *sincerely* appreciate any and all donations.

Crayola Twistable crayons Thick Crayola Markers Clorox Wipes Any type of "green," table spray Glue sticks Clear packing tape Duct Tape Mr. Clean Magic Erasers Tissues Ziploc Gallon Bags Paper Towels Felt Tip Pens Mounting Putty (for hanging artwork)

Please put your child's name on school bags, lunch boxes, sweatshirts, jackets, hats, etc.