



John McMillan Preschool

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Dear John McMillan Preschool families,

The school year has gotten off to a wonderful start! We are enjoying getting to know your children, and they have adjusted quite well to the routines of preschool. After a quiet summer here, the sound of children laughing, playing and having fun is music to my ears!

Just a few things:

- A **BIG** thank you to all of you:
 - ✓ For helping with hand washing when you drop-off your children in the morning
 - ✓ For emailing or sending notes regarding pick-up changes
 - ✓ For showing photo ID's at dismissal while we get to know you and your caregivers
 - ✓ For remembering your key fobs
- We hope to see you at **Bethel Park Community Day** on Saturday, September 29!
- **School Picture Days with iSimon Photography:**
Monday, September 24th – Pre-K, MWF 4's & MW 3's and Tuesday, September 25th – TThF 4's, MTTh 3's and TTh 3's
- Thank you to those who turned in a **Volunteer Form!** If you haven't filled out a Volunteer Form, there will be copies on the welcome table next week. Please take a minute to look over the many opportunities and find something that interests you. Your involvement at John McMillan Preschool will mean a lot to your child and our staff!
- If you plan to volunteer at the preschool in any capacity, **we must have the following clearances required by the state of Pennsylvania** according to Act 15 of 2015:

Act 151 Pennsylvania Child Abuse Clearance - no cost

Act 34 Pennsylvania Criminal History Check - no cost

Act 114 FBI Criminal History Report (\$27.00) *

*The Act 114 FBI Criminal History Report can be waived if the volunteer is unpaid, can prove that they have lived in Pennsylvania for at least 10 years, and signs an affidavit that they did not commit certain crimes elsewhere. Volunteers who have not resided in Pennsylvania for the past 10 years but have obtained their FBI Criminal History Report since establishing residency are not required to obtain another Report but must provide a copy of it to the school.

- **If you brought in clearances last year, I will check and make sure the dates are still valid. I'll let you know next week if they are not.**

If you have already obtained your clearances as a requirement for your older child's school, **you may bring in copies for our records. Clearances are valid for 60 months.** For more information, visit www.KeepKidsSafe.pa.gov.

- **Simmons Farm Field Trips:**
Tuesday, October 2nd (TThF 4's and MTTh & TTh 3's) and Wednesday, October 3rd (Pre-K, MWF 4's & MW 3's) – 9:30-11:30am
Permission/Sign-Up forms with more information will be sent home soon.

My door is always open, so please stop by and say hello!

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