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Re-Enrollment for the 2017-2018 School Year Begins!

Thursday, March 2nd, you received reenrollment material in your child's folder. This includes information about the new school year and a form to indicate whether your child or children will be enrolled at HELC for the 2017-2018 School Year. This form will be for all children (except 4/5 year olds in Rooms 107-109). Please turn in your form and the registration fee of \$90 by March 10.

Parents of children in Rooms 107-109 will complete a different form. Rather than enrollment, you are asked to give an estimated date that your child will withdraw from the center. The last day children in Rooms 107-109 can be enrolled is July 28th.

In August, parents and children will meet the teachers for the new school year. Orientation Week will be August 14-18 when new and returning parents meet by age groups to get information about the new school year and meet the teachers. Transition Week will be August 21-24 when children visit their new classrooms each morning.

The center will close Thursday, August 24 at 12:30pm through Friday, the 25th, so our teachers can have meetings and prepare for the new year. This will serve as our Fall Staff Development Day. August 28th is the first day of 2017-2018 School Year.

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7 A.M.—6 P.M.

Important Information for 2017-2018 Pre-K Students

On Thursday, March 2nd, parents of students who will be in Pre-K next year, received a letter explaining the Online registration information for Pre-K.

As a reminder, the State Department of Early Childhood Education has developed an online system for applying for the PreK-4 classes and there will be NO paper forms to complete. Parents of students who will be in Pre-K next year are required to complete the application no later than March 31st.

To complete the Pre-K4 application, click this link: http://alprek.education/A

THE UNIQUE SITE CODE FOR HARRIS EARLY LEARNING CENTER IS: $\underline{483930}$

Pre-K4 QR Code:





The next Parent Representative Meeting is March 15th from 12 PM to 1 PM in the Chicka Room



Important Parent Representative Nomination Information

Beginning with this school year, the Parent Rep group decided to add several "coordinator" positions for various Parent Rep-led activities throughout the year. This helped to take some of the load off of the Parent Rep Chair and offered parents that may not be able to attend monthly meetings an opportunity to get more involved in parent-led activities at HELC. Please consider volunteering for one of the positions listed below for the 2017-2018 School Year

Parent Rep Chair
Parent Rep Co-Chair
Parent Rep Secretary
Parent Rep Treasurer
Snack Coordinator
Fundraising Coordinator
Christmas Giving Coordinator
Christmas Toy Drive Coordinator
Art Auction Coordinator
Teacher Appreciation Week Coordinator
Family Day/Night Coordinator
Community Service Coordinator

If you are interested in volunteering for a position, please let someone at the Front Desk know or you can contact Wynne Speir, wynne.speir@gmail.com

Thank you!

Parent Reminders

It looks like Spring is making an early appearance this year and the weather is getting warmer!

Please remember:

- * Send your child to school in CLOSED toe shoes with non-slip soles
- * Dress your child in appropriate clothes for the weather. Exchange your child's winter extra clothes for a set of spring clothes
- * Send a light jacket for cool mornings on the playground. We might see a few more cool days before summer!
- * Sunscreen forms are located at the front desk when you are ready to begin sending sunscreen for your child
- * PLEASE be consistent with the guidelines that are in place while your child is with his/her teacher and do not allow them to run in the hallways/classrooms and be sure your child stays with you at all times.
- * The March Parent Seminar is "Raising Healthy Children" and will be Thursday, March 31st from 12:30-1:30 in the Chicka Room.

2017 Important Dates

May 29—Memorial Day—HELC CLOSED

July 3rd- Parent Selected Staff Appreciation Day- HELC CLOSED

July 4—Independence Day—HELC CLOSED

