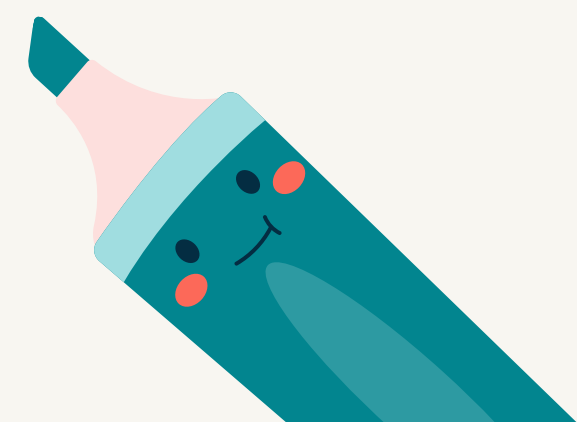
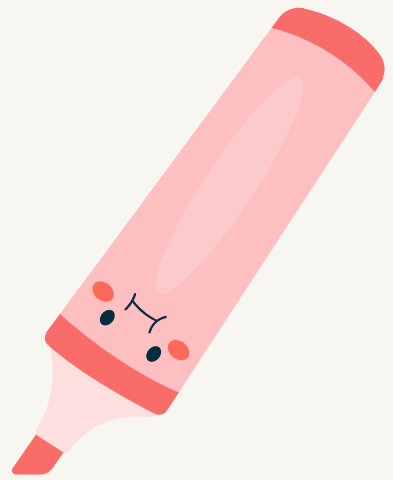


FIELDCREST PRIMARY

# BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026





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CLASSROOM TEACHER

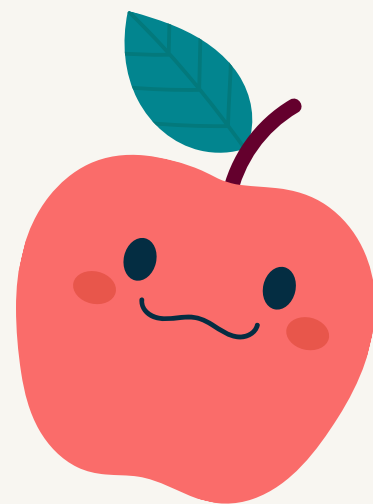
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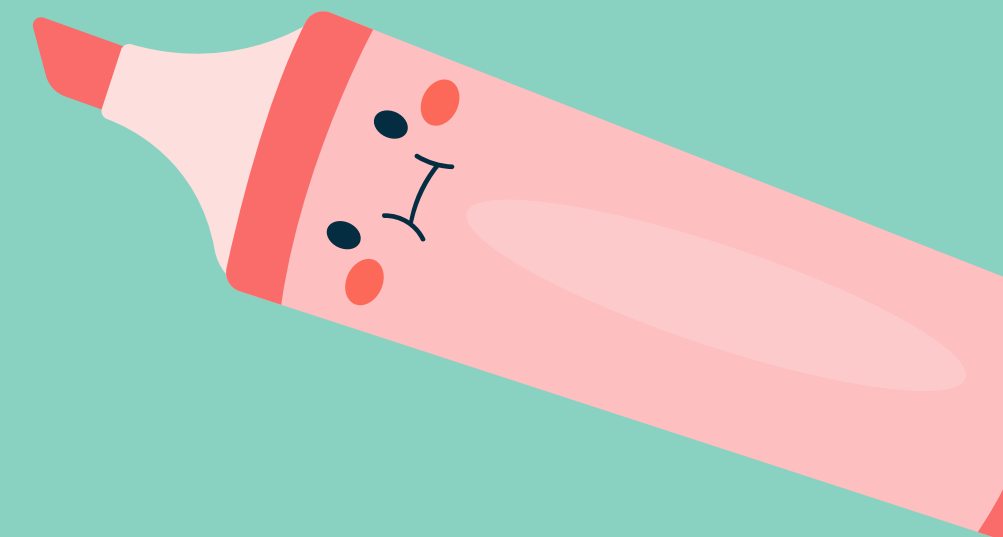
CLASSROOM  
PARAPROFESSIONAL

THIS WILL BE MY 28TH YEAR AS THE PARAPROFESSIONAL IN THE BRIGHT BEGINNINGS CLASSROOM AT FIELDCREST. I LIVE WITH MY HUSBAND TODD IN MINONK. WE HAVE 3 CHILDREN: BRITTANY, KELSIE, AND CARTER (20). WE ALSO HAVE 2 TINY DOGS: CHARLIE AND RALPHIE!





# COMMUNICATION



1



Seesaw - We will post important announcements on Seesaw. You can also text Miss Sue through Seesaw with questions or concerns.

2



Email - You can contact Miss Sue via email at [srutkowski@wcsea.us](mailto:srutkowski@wcsea.us)

3



Newsletters - sent home Fridays. Calendars - sent home each month. Please check back packs everyday.

4



Fieldcrest Primary Facebook page. You will find general school info, school closing announcements, etc.

5



WCSEA website also has some great information about Bright Beginnings and all WCSEA programs. [wcsea.us](http://wcsea.us)

6



Student Growth Conferences - are held in October. You will receive a sign up genius link to make an appointment.



# ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL PROCEDURES



## LOCATION

Doors facing 6th street (next to the gym).

## TIMES

8:00/10:30 (AM)

12:30/3:00 (PM)

Bright Beginnings students may not arrive early. Late Arrivals - Come in through the front doors, sign in, and walk your child to the classroom.

## PROCEDURE/ARRIVAL

Please wait on the sidewalk by the 6th street door with your child. Nice weather - teachers will meet children on the sidewalk. Inclement weather - teachers will open the doors and then you may send your child up to the teachers.

## PROCEDURE/DISMISSAL

Please wait for your child on the sidewalk near the 6th street door. Bus riders will be walked to the bus first. Then, the teachers will send your child out to you.

# CLASS SCHEDULE



8:00–8:20  
12:30–12:50

Gross  
Motor

8:50–9:40  
1:20–2:10

Center  
Time

10:07–10:25  
2:42–2:55

8:20–8:30  
12:50–1:00

Backpacks  
&  
Bathrooms

9:40–9:50  
2:10–2:20

Story  
Time

Small  
Group

8:30–8:35  
1:00–1:05

Fine  
Motor

9:50–10:05  
2:20–2:35

Snack

10:25–10:30  
2:55–3:00

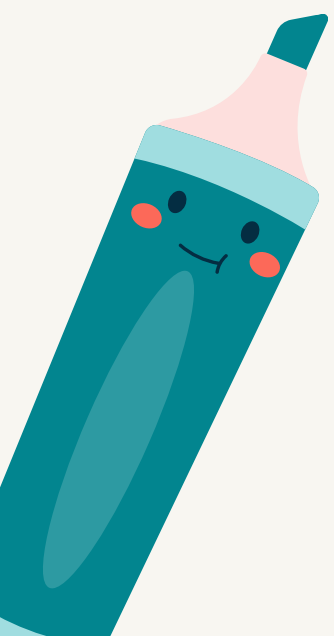
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1:05–1:20

Greeting  
Time

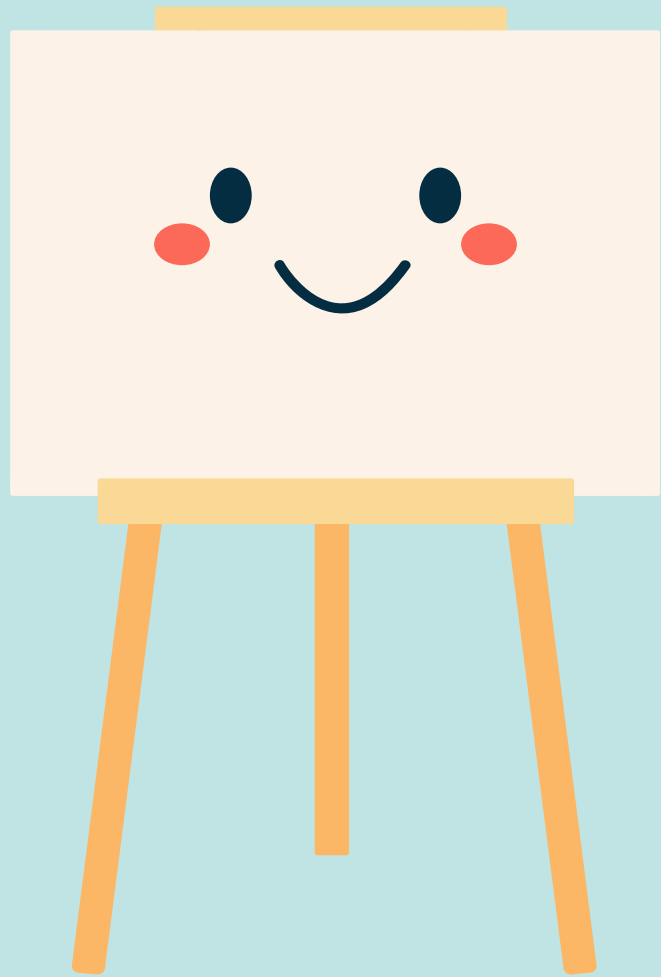
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2:35–2:42

Large  
Group

Pack Up  
&  
Dismiss



# EXTRAS



WCSEA gives each child a book every month to take home and keep for their home library.



Every child gets several turns with the mystery box (similar to show and tell). Instructions are included.

Every child gets a turn to borrow our letter books. We also send home to borrow classroom books. Topics include meet the teachers, class hello book etc.



Children get to check out a book from our classroom library on Tuesdays and Fridays.



Each child gets 2 turns to bring home Mr. Bear for the Weekend. Our classroom bear goes home on a Friday and is returned on Monday.



# OUR CLASSROOM - CURRICULUM



Bright Beginnings uses the HighScope Curriculum. HighScope's emphasizes "active participatory learning." This includes direct, hands-on learning experiences with people, objects, events, and ideas. HighScope takes the learning process to a higher level by applying methods that promote independence, curiosity, decision-making, cooperation, persistence, creativity, and problem solving in young children



**Our program also follows the Illinois Early Learning Standards.**

**This curriculum features learning in the following areas:**

1. Approaches to Learning
2. Social & Emotional Learning
3. Physical Development & Health
4. Language, Literacy, & Communication
5. Math
6. Creative arts
7. Science & Technology
8. Social Studies

# OUR CLASSROOM CURRICULUM CONTINUED



## Second Step

Is our social and emotional learning curriculum.

**SECOND STEP**<sup>®</sup>

## Heggerty

Is our phonological awareness curriculum that works on letter knowledge, letter sounds, rhyming, and blending, and segmenting words.



**Heggerty**

## Handwriting Without Tears

Is our pre-writing curriculum



# CLASSROOM ASSESSMENT



Our program uses several types of authentic assessments to gather, record, and report information on your child's learning and development. Several times a school year, families will receive a preschool skills summary packet that is based off the High Scope Curriculum. This "report card" contains a checklist for each area of development as well as a written summary for each area of development.

Sample of child's work, pictures, and written records are also used as an assessment that is sent home at the end of the school year. This is your child's portfolio.

\*Students who receive special education services, will also receive progress reports that are sent home at the same time as report cards for Fieldcrest k-12 students.

# WHEN TO KEEP YOUR CHILD AT HOME

Do not send children to school displaying the following conditions:

- Diarrhea or loose stools (must wait 24 hours)
- Vomiting (no vomiting for 24 hours)
- Fever (fever free for 24 hours without medication)
- Mouth sores
- Sore throat
- Rash
- Eye discharge
- Persistent coughing
- Persistent runny nose
- Illness which prevents the child from participating comfortably in program activities - this often includes bad colds and coughs.

## How Do I Report My Child Absent?

1. Message Miss Sue on Seesaw
2. Call the Fieldcrest Office (309-432-2838) and leave a message with Mrs. Seggerman or on the answering machine.

If your child has been out of school due to a contagious illness such as impetigo, pinkeye, or ringworm, a physician's note showing treatment is required for re-entry.

**WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO A  
GREAT YEAR!**

