# Kindergarten Information Night

**Tremont Elementary School - 2024** 





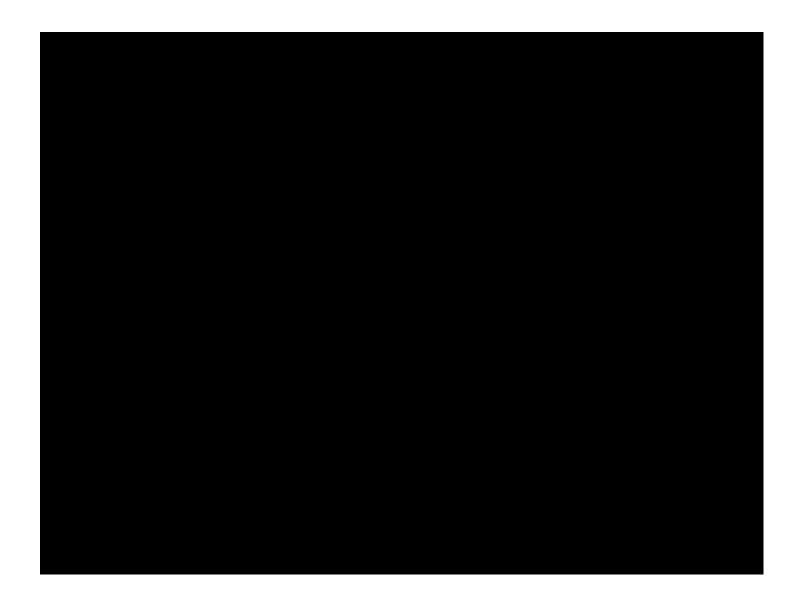
# Welcome, Class of 2037!



## Welcome to Kindergarten!

- Meet our team!
- Our goal for this evening is to help you and your child feel comfortable with the transition to kindergarten.
- We are here to help!
  - Today, tomorrow and the next 6 years!
  - Education is a partnership we will work together to help your child develop throughout their elementary school career.
  - We want this to be a family experience.
  - Our goal is to develop relationships between families, teachers, administrators and students to create a strong, caring and inclusive school community.







# Agenda

- Our Kindergarten Program
  - Why full day
  - O What does a day look like?
- Registration Process
- Kindergarten Screening
- Our Delivery Systems
  - UA Schools Elementary Program
  - Wickliffe Progressive Program
- Tremont School Association (TSA)
- Questions



### What does a kindergarten day look like?

- The school day is structured to support our younger learners as they adjust to a full-day learning program.
- It is built around the learning blocks for the core content areas math, reading, writing,
   science/social studies with time for play and "brain breaks" woven in throughout the day.
- Students have time to work with teachers individually or in small groups to support their learning and reinforce or extend where needed.
- Each week, students will also have a related arts block that rotates between music, art and PE.
- School hours: 8:15 a.m. 2:50 p.m.
- Elementary Explorations is a special program that our kindergarten students engage in every 2 weeks to explore cross-curricular content while increasing student voice, improving well-being and creating engaged learners through whole child, project-based learning.

## Kindergarten Literacy

- Literacy is an important component that is weaved into every part of our day
- Based on the Science of Reading, we focus on foundational skills.
- We are working to ensure foundational skills are secure by the end of the K year
  - Letter ID
  - Sound ID
  - Phonological Awareness
  - Letter Formation
- The curricular resources we use are Heggerty (rhyme time) and 95% Core Phonics



# **Registration Process**



### How do I register my child for kindergarten?

- Kindergarten registration opens on February 13th.
  - Begin the registration process at <u>www.uaschools.org/kindergarten.aspx</u>.
  - Students must be 5 yrs old by September 30, 2023.
  - We encourage families to complete the registration process in the February
     13th- March 24th window for staffing and planning purposes.
- After completing the online registration forms, you will be prompted to upload:
  - Birth certificate or passport
  - Proof of residency
  - Custody papers, if applicable
  - Immunization record



#### Other items to consider....

#### Choice of instructional program

- Tremont
  - Can choose their UA Schools Elementary Program or the Progressive Program at Wickliffe.

#### Open enrollment

- For families who want to be considered for a school outside their attendance area.
- Information is on our district website <u>www.uaschools.org/openenrollment.aspx</u>
  - Register for your homeschool during the registration window.
  - Applications for open enrollment open February 15, 2023, and are accepted until April 15, 2023.
  - Decisions made based upon enrollment numbers in specific grades.
  - Parents are responsible for transportation.



#### Other items to consider....

#### School hours

8:15 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.

#### First day of school

- August 14th and 15th, are "Getting To Know You Days" (Your child's first day will be emailed to you with teacher placement in early August).
- Full school year calendar is available on our website at <u>www.uaschools.org/calendars.aspx</u>.

#### Special health concerns for your child?

- Please do not hesitate to contact our nurses.
- Contact information is on our school website.

#### Kindergarten screening, Early August

 Your principal will reach out with more details about kindergarten screenings that will take place in early August.



### SACC (School-Age Child Care)

- The SACC program is designed to be a link between school and home for elementary students in Upper Arlington School District.
- There are 3 options: Full time M-F; Part-time M/W/F or Part-time T/TH
- Tuition rates are available on our website at <u>www.uaschools.org/sacc</u>
- under students & Family, click on School–Age Child Care.
- REGISTRATION FOR ALL FAMILIES BEGINS ON MONDAY, APRIL 1st THROUGH FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH.
- New families who are not enrolled or currently on the waitlist will be entered in a blind lottery to determine placement-you will either receive a spot, be waitlisted or be pushed to the following year.
- Notification will occur before May 1st-if you are given a spot your registration fee and
   September tuition will be due immediately. If you are placed on a waitlist the registration fee will be due.
- Registration fee \$35 per family

# Kindergarten Screening Process



## Kindergarten Screening

- Our kindergarten screenings will be held in EARLY AUGUST, prior to school starting.
  - Your child's principal will contact you with more information.
  - Screenings we will be conducted by a team of educators.
  - Kindergarten teacher placement will be sent to families after screening
- Our nurses will complete vision and hearing screenings.
- Our SLPs will complete a speech screening.
- The goal of kindergarten screening is to provide academic, physical, social and emotional information about each student to the school team to create balanced classes. This information will also be used as baseline data to help support our instruction.

# **Instructional Programs**



#### Wickliffe Progressive

- Wickliffe is <u>a choice school</u> for families living in the Greensview, Windermere and Tremont attendance areas.
- Wickliffe was founded in 1972 by a group of educators, parents and OSU professors who were committed to a common educational philosophy reflected through the practices of progressive education.
- Our daily teaching practices are guided by the <u>Ten Foundational Principles of Progressive Education</u>.
- Classes are configured in the following groupings Kindergarten, 1st, 2/3 and 4/5
- Wickliffe Kindergarten Information Night Thursday, February 9th at 6:30 p.m.



## **Elementary Explorations**

- Elementary Explorations is a districtwide program that provides all elementary students with opportunities to engage and explore cross-curricular content, creating engaged learners through whole child, project-based learning. Each grade level engages in Elementary Explorations once every two weeks for about 60 to 75 minutes, following the rotating A-E schedule.
- For more information about Elementary Explorations, please visit our <u>website</u>.



# Multiple Tiered Systems of Supports (MTSS)

- MTSS is a systematic and collaborative team process that is responsive to meet the needs of all students through differentiated and individualized instruction with a focus on the whole child including academic, behavioral and social/emotional needs. MTSS uses a four-tiered approach to identifying students' academic, social and emotional needs.
- The Upper Arlington Schools' MTSS framework will help achieve our vision of challenging and supporting every student every step of the way.
- For more information about what MTSS looks like in practice, please visit our <u>website</u>.



## **Questions?**

- About Kindergarten Readiness
- District Frequently Asked Questions
  - Lunch, SACC, Busing, etc



# School Counselor Information



### **School Counselor Notes**

- My name is Jean Allocco and I have had the good fortune to be the school counselor at Tremont for just over 15 years.
- I wear many hats as do all of the staff. I provide direct/indirect services, as well as responsive services to staff, students and families in the social/emotional, academic and career domains.
- I collaborate with staff and families regarding student needs.
- I provide monthly classroom lessons, small groups and individual meetings.
- I also provide information regarding outside mental health and community services.
- You will also see me after school directing traffic in the parking lot!

## **Nurse Information**



#### Welcome to Tremont Elementary School Health Clinic

#### Ruth Sacolick RN BSN LSN Licensed School Nurse Lori McKenzie RN BSN Clinic Nurse

A Registered Nurse is here for you and your student whenever school is in session. We are available to administer first aid treatment for injuries, administer medication as needed and perform other medical procedures. We will evaluate symptoms of illness or injury of the students and recommend appropriate treatment. Our goal is to provide a healthy environment for optimal learning.

- All day Kindergarten makes for a long day. It is important that all Kindergarten students have a change
  of clothing in their cubby here at school for possible needs.
- The State of Ohio requires that all immunizations are up to date by the first day of school. If you need help with this please contact me.

Please contact the health Clinic with any medical needs that your student might have.

Our Clinic phone number is 614-487-5170 ex 6003

Email is Tremonthealthclinic@uaschools.org



# Tremont School Association (TSA)



### **Tremont School Association**



The Tremont School Association (TSA) is a strong group of parent volunteers who help plan social events, fundraisers, enrichment programs and service activities for Tremont Elementary School. Like you, we want our kids to love every aspect of life at school. And like you, we want a fun, active and welcoming community.

Examples of our Committees & Ways to Get Involved

- 4th Grade Gallery Hop
- 5th Grade Activities
- After School Activities
- Book Fair
- Cake Bingo
- Community Outreach
- Dine & Donate
- Directory
- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

- Fall Festival
- Not-so-Silent Auction
- Room Parent Coordinator
- School Supplies
- Spirit Wear
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Walk-a-Thon
- Walking Club
- Much, much, more!!!

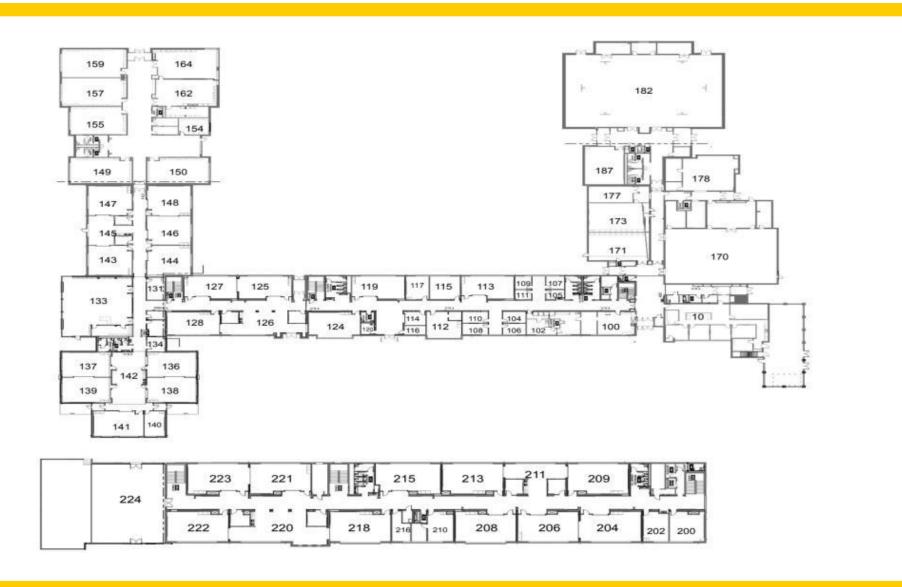


# Questions



# Self-Guided Tour









# Thank you