

Cornerstone School

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The Early Registration Period for the 2019-2020 school year is here! Reregistration documents were sent via the Sandbox Parent Portal. Applications from currently enrolled students and siblings of current or former students are considered first and are to be submitted by December 14, 2018 to receive priority placement.

**Kindergarten
Information
Session
Wednesday Dec 5th 9:15 am**

Come and discover what “play-based” education means in kindergarten!

- Play-based curriculum brings content learning to the mind of a child, respecting what we know about children’s development.
- Academic disciplines are integrated into the curriculum through educational games, art, investigation, research and dramatic play that is based on student interests.

We invite you to spend some time with our Kindergarten Teacher and Director to learn more about Cornerstone's Kindergarten Program. Please RSVP and invite anyone interested.

Upcoming Events

- Dec 5 – Kindergarten Info Session
- Dec 14 – CPO- Ugly Sweater Party
- December 14 – Early Registration Due
- Dec 21- 1:00 pm Dismissal
- Dec 24- Jan 1 School Closed
- Jan 2- School Reopens
- January 18- Fall 2019 Registration Due
- Jan 21 –School Closed

HAT, MITTEN & BOOT WEATHER

We believe that children need time to play outside as often as possible. Our typical day includes active play outdoors. Children will play outside until the temperature drops below 32F, although we may shorten the play time allotted. Please make sure your child is dressed in weather-appropriate clothing in the winter months, including hat, mittens, and boots.



December Community Service

Assisting with the Bridges Run! Once again we will be helping Christ Church supply the December Bridges Run on Monday December 17th! Our Nursery and Pre-K classes will be collecting socks, hats, and gloves for women and children. Our K-Prep and Kindergarten will be collecting items for and organizing meal bags. A more detailed email will follow!

Flu Immunization

As of September 2008, children attending licensed child care or preschool were required to receive the annual, seasonal influenza vaccine by December 31 of each year. Your pediatrician can provide proof of immunization. We need to have a copy on file for the Summit Health Dept. as they inspect our vaccine records every year. I must have record of the vaccine by Dec. 21 or your child may not return to school on Jan. 2.

Holidays and Cultural Exploration

Holidays and cultures are celebrated at Cornerstone. We welcome visits to our classrooms and prefer most celebrations and studies come from family visits to the class/school. There are approximately 29 holidays observed by 7 of the world's major religions between 11/1 and 1/15 each year. I encourage you to set up a time with your child's teacher to visit and share your holiday traditions both now in December and throughout the year. Remember, items may come home from these celebrations as they are directly connected to curriculum. We ask that holiday goodie bags or gifts not be placed in children's mailboxes. Our teachers will provide developmentally appropriate activities as well. If you cannot visit, you may make arrangements to send materials in for your child's teacher to share.

Enrichment Classes

Check the Parent Portal for registration information on our Enrichment programs. STEM Science, YOGA, Spanish and Little Actors Studio will be registering for the New Year. I will inform you of any openings in Kinderdance.



Emergency Pick-up Person

Have you added a Cornerstone Family to child's pick-up list? As per the letter sent via the Parent Portal this will help us keep children and staff safe during any type of emergency if we have permission to release your child to a Cornerstone Family you know and trust.

Be Safe, Be Kind, Take Care of Our Things

Our new school-wide initiative to encourage positive behavior and social emotional growth in our students. A detailed letter describing the initiative was sent via the Parent Portal.

Take a look around the school for pictures of the children in action. They are in the hallways and the classrooms.

Don't Forget We Have an AmazonSmile Account

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/26-4382610>

Please consider shopping through AmazonSmile this holiday season a portion of your purchase price will be donated to Cornerstone.

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When first visiting AmazonSmile, customers are prompted to select a charitable organization from almost one million eligible organizations. In order to browse or shop at AmazonSmile, customers must first select a charitable organization. For eligible purchases at AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the customer's selected charitable organization. If you would like to donate to our school through Amazon Smile, when selecting a charitable organization please select **Cornerstone School of Summit Inc.**

GRACE's Refrigerator

The donation box was overflowing and our Kindergarten students learned a wonderful lesson about helping to feed others in the community who may have a hard time providing for their families. Thank you for your generosity. We look forward to working with GRACE again in the spring.

