



Welcome to Escuela Key School Kindergarten!

Frequently Asked Questions

2023-24SY



Where do I drop off my child in the morning?

- Kiss and Drop is on the N. Edison Parking Lot Gate. Please see the map on the last page.
- Staff will welcome car riders and walkers at the gate (area 1) and walk them to the field to line up.
- Please say good-bye at the gate (area 1) to facilitate a smooth transition for the children.
- Please do not pull into the bus loop (in front of the school) to drop off your child. The bus loop is for buses only.
- **On the first day children will line up with their class on the blacktop starting at 8:30 to be picked up by their teachers at 8:45.**
- **Starting on day 2, we will have early morning recess from 8:30-8:45, and children will line up with their class at 8:45.**
- **On inclement weather days they go directly into the building starting at 8:30.**

Where should I park?

- If you drive your child to school we highly recommend that you drop your child off.
- If you must park, parking is available on the street but please note the “permit only” signs.
- Spaces in the parking lot are for staff only. Please find parking on the street.

Is there snack time?

- Yes! We have snack time every afternoon except for Early Release days. Please pack a **small, healthy snack** for your child each day. No candy please. Send a water bottle. Please make sure the bottle is leakproof and is labeled with your child’s name. Suggestions for snack: crackers, cut up fruit, snack bar.

Can my child eat breakfast/lunch at school?

- Yes. Breakfast is served in the cafeteria from **8:30-8:45**. If your child needs breakfast at school please be sure they **come early and eat before going to morning recess**.
- Arlington Public Schools offers parents flexibility in paying for meals, through the **MySchoolBucks** app, a secure online payment portal that accepts VISA® or MasterCard®.

What school supplies does my child need?

- If you did not purchase the Edukit you may ask the teacher or office staff for a copy. The supply list is posted on the Escuela Key website.
- Please send a bag of extra clothes with your child (accidents will happen, especially in September). Be sure that the child’s name is on the bag. Include socks and underwear.
- Please consider using shoes with velcro closure, unless your child already knows how to tie shoes with laces. It can be a safety hazard when laces come untied.

What if my child is sick?

- Please call the office (703) 228-4210 or send an email to escuelakeyattendance@apsva.us in the morning to let the office **and your child’s teacher** know they won’t be attending school.
- All medications (including over the counter medications) must be turned into the nurse. Please do not send them with your child in their backpack.

Where does my child go after school?

- Dismissal is at 3:50 PM. On Early Release days dismissal is at 1:30 PM
- Walkers and Car-riders will be escorted to the Kiss and Drop at the N. Edison Parking Lot Gate. Please see the map.
- Bus-riders will be escorted to their buses by teachers and safety patrols.
- Children enrolled in Extended Day will be escorted to the designated location. Parents will pick them up students in the Extended Day Office, which can be accessed from the main parking lot, through door D12
- **Please tell your child's teacher whether they will be a**
 - WALKER**
 - CAR-RIDER**
 - BUS-RIDER (If you know the bus number, please also provide that)**
 - EXTENDED DAY PARTICIPANT**
- **DISMISSAL TIME ☺ Please use the stickers that will be sent to you with the class assignment and welcome letter. For bus riders, we need to know the bus route number and/or color. Thank you!**

How can I communicate with my child's teacher?

- The best way to contact teachers is by email. If it is urgent or last minute, call the office: Main Office (703) 228-4210
- If you need to speak with a teacher, please schedule an appointment.
- You may call the office from 8:00-4:00 and ask office staff to leave a note in our mailboxes.
- You may also send a note with your child. Be sure to tell your child to give it to his/her homeroom teacher :-)

Reminder!

Back to School Night will be in person on Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 6:00 PM. Teachers will send additional information during the first week of school.

The Kindergarten Team

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Escuela Key Drop off and Pick up areas SY 2022-2023



Escuela Key Bus Color and Route Number SY 2023-2024

Green / Verde	504
Silver / Plateado	503
White / Blanco	509
Pink / Rosado	511
Gold / Dorado	529
Red / Rojo	516
Orange / Anaranjado	719
Lilac/Lila	723
Peach/Melocoton	916