If you have NOT completed the Kindergarten Jump-start form online, please do that now.
Find an iPad with a pink sticky note and complete this basic form. Thanks!

Welcome to
Kindergarten
Information Night
Welcome and Introductions

Mary Riley-Principal
Jessica Adair-School Counselor
Liz Newell- Interim Counselor
Lisa Cardone-Registrar
Megan Watt-School Nurse
Christi Darnell- Social Worker
Fun Facts about our Falcon Family

Building opened in 1998
Approximately 450 students,
Pre-Kindergarten- 5th grade
ESOL Center and LIFT
Mascot-Falcon
School Colors-Blue & Gold
School Hours 8:35am-3:40pm
What students should attend kindergarten?

Children who reside in the Blue Valley School District and turn 5 years of age by August 31 are eligible to attend kindergarten that school year.
Next Event: Kindergarten Round-Up

- April 5th 2019
  - morning session 9-11am
  - afternoon session 1-3pm
- Sign up for this event after you complete online registration
  - call the office and speak to Lisa to sign-up and reserve your spot
- At this event
  - you receive more information about the next steps in the kindergarten process
  - students rotate with parents to different classrooms and do different activities
WHAT is different this year?

- August 15 will be a Kindergarten Orientation Day
- Kindergarten Students will attend with their adult family members
- Families will sign up at Round-up in April for one of 4 sessions, each lasting 90 minutes.
- No bus service or lunch will be provided to kindergarten on August 15
- Friday, August 16 will be a regular schedule for kindergarten
WHY is the district making this change?

● To provide a smooth transition to a new school setting
● To set the tone for positive school-family partnerships
● To ensure kindergarten students feels safe, confident, and welcomed on Friday, August, 16 their first full day
WHAT WILL HAPPEN at Kindergarten Orientation?

On August 15, you and your child will have an opportunity to

- Meet your child’s new teacher
- Become familiar with the classroom
- Practice classroom routines and expectations

All in a comfortable, small-group setting
Kindergarten Orientation August 15

- You will be asked to sign up for a time slot -- available beginning April 5 at Kindergarten Round-up
  - 9:00
  - 10:30
  - 12:45
  - 2:15

- Make arrangements to attend Kindergarten Orientation on August 15
  - It is helpful if you can arrange care for younger siblings so that you can participate fully with your kindergarten student

- Be sure that you complete online registration via ParentVue by February 22 and reserve your spot for Round-up
Future Falcons

❖ Communicate needs and wants appropriately
❖ Curious and wants to try new things
❖ Enjoys being around peers other than siblings
❖ Manages personal hygiene needs
❖ Recognizes some letters and numbers
❖ Recognizes &/or write parts of their name
❖ Follows simple directions
❖ Becoming more independent
ASQ (Kindergarten Readiness Tool)

❖ Ages and Stages Questionnaire
❖ Communication will be sent out by the principal in August
❖ ASQ-3 measures:
  ○ communication, gross motor, fine motor, problem solving, personal-social
❖ ASQ-SE-2 measures:
  ○ self-regulation, compliance, communication, adaptive behaviors, autonomy, affect, interactions with people
❖ Observe, watch and work with your future student to accurately complete these questionnaires
Homework
due Aug. 15th

❖ Talk, talk, talk-word play with sounds
❖ Observe your child playing with peers
❖ Keep practicing writing name & anything
❖ Cut, cut and cut some more
❖ Read, read and read some more
❖ Go on a new adventure-experiences
❖ Practice routines-AM & PM
❖ Talk about how to respond to adults & peers
❖ Sing nursery rhymes/read Dr. Seuss books
Kansas Family Guide to Kindergarten

❖ General Information
❖ Curriculum Expectations
❖ Admission Requirements
❖ KSDE Guide
Chinese Immersion

bluevalleyk12.org/immersion
❖ Wolf Springs/Valley Park Elem.
❖ Kindergarten classes
❖ Online lottery
❖ Timeline:

The application period for the 2019-20 school year will open on Feb. 13.
ESOL Program

Incoming kindergarten students who speak a language other than English are required to complete an English Proficiency Assessment to determine if English Speakers of Other Languages instruction is needed.

❖ Section in on-line registration
❖ Pick-up handout with more information
❖ Timeline:
  ➢ Testing Date for SRE Mon. Feb. 25
    12:30-3:30
  ➢ Hilltop Learning Center
  ➢ Please make an appointment ASAP
Timeline

February 12th  6:30pm-Family Information Night
February 22nd  Kindergarten Applications due to SRE
April 5th  Kindergarten Round Up for students & families at SRE
            9-11am and 1-3pm
April 5th  Sign-up opens for Kindergarten Orientation (August 15)
April 10th  Fees can be paid in ParentVUE
July 10th  Resubmission or application for free and reduced lunch if applicable
August TBD  OPTIONAL Kindergarten Camp at SRE, PTO
            sponsored (fee to be determined)
August 15th  Kindergarten Orientation (first full day 1-5)
August 16th  First full day of kindergarten
First full week of school-ASQ email will be sent by Principal Riley
Communication

www.bluevalleyk12.org/sre

Twitter: @SREFalcons

Blue Valley App
Required Fees

Blue Valley Schools charges a variety of required fees. These include, but are not limited to:

**Learning resource fees** (elementary, middle and high school)

Collected at a rate of $100 per student, this fee is primarily used to purchase materials and supplies that support educational initiatives in the classroom.

**Technology supply fees** (elementary, middle and high school). Collected at a rate of $15 per student, this fee is used for technology materials consumed during the school year and is non-refundable after the first day of school.

Fees go active to be paid on April 10th and can be paid in ParentVUE.
Questions
Online Registration

● Create a ParentVUE account
● Begin enrollment process
● Complete information at least to student information
See you April 5th for Kindergarten Round-Up