



Welcome to the 2022-2023 WVCA Preschool School Year!

Thank you for choosing WVCA Preschool to be your partner in education for your amazing child. Our program is designed to partner with families in the growth and development of your child. Please make sure to read our monthly newsletters that provide program important dates, details, and partnership connections for a successful school year.



Setting the Foundation for a Successful School Year

WVCA Preschool is a *Teaching Pyramid School*, meaning our philosophy to classroom management, and student success is rooted in meaningful relationships, clear and age appropriate expectations, and quality care <u>all</u> in partnership with families. Check out this month's parent connections, and attached handouts with tips for home.

Developing Dependable Daily Routines

Week 1 of school is all about establishing routines that support children's sense of security. Children feel <u>safe</u> when they are in a predictable environment. *Partner at home by establishing a morning routine for school days.* **Tip:** Successful school days begin with a healthy and well rested child.





Week 2 of school is an introduction of our Friend Tucker. Tucker teaches children how to self-regulate, and calm down in a safe and effective way. Our students will be

developing new routines, relationships, and big feelings are bound to arise in the first few weeks of school. The big feelings are normal, and we want our students to learn emotional literacy; the ability to recognize they have big feelings, can stop, breath, and think. We problem solve when we are calm, and give each child the opportunity to feel feelings first, and practice self-regulation with 3 BIG breaths. *Partner at home by labeling*

your child's feelings, remind them to breath like Tucker, and be a safe place to calm down, then problem solve. **Tip:** Most times, a hug is the most effective way to calm a child.

Here is a great video of how you can introduce Tucker at

Home: Turtle Technique Video





School Expectations

Please partner with us in adopting our school expectations into your home. Almost all the little things that happen in a day can be categorized into one of these major items. In preschool, students need to know what to do to replace any unsafe, unkind, or disrespectful behaviors. We teach appropriate behavior by using *Positive*Descriptive Acknowledgment; verbally acknowledging when a child is Kind, Safe, or Respectful to help build their definition of these very important terms.

JUNE SPECIAL ACTIVITIES



Bring a Family Photo for your child's classroom. Pictures of family help your child feel at home, when at school.

Bring a Smile we'll have a *First Day of School* photo area for your preschooler's smile the first month of school.



Dingle Family Farms Petting Zoo June 15

The petting zoo is a wonderful opportunity to engage with animals and practice using our gentle hands. Classrooms will take turns visiting the petting zoo beginning at 9:30 AM. Students do not have to visit the petting zoo if they don't want.

Please no siblings, just students of WVCA Preschool.



WVCA Preschool 2nd Annual Car Show

We are so excited to offer our students an onsite car show. This is unique because anything with wheels is welcome. Last year we had modern trucks, classic cars, big rigs, farm vehicles, and more! We encourage you to participate by bringing any unique care to school. If you can't stay due to work, feel free to park in the car show designated area. Students will vote on Most Unique, Kid Favorite, Best All Around.