



Welcome to Kindergarten!

We look forward to having you in our school next year. Below you will find the school supply list for Kindergarten, along with information about field trips that the students will be taking next year. On the other side, you can read about the teachers who teach Kindergarten.

If you haven't registered for the 2016-17 school year, please be sure to do so as soon as possible! We strongly encourage you to register online. Go to my.austinisd.org and click on the Student Registration tile. If you have trouble with the password, please call the front office before June 8th, 2016 for assistance.

Students will be assigned to teachers in August just before school starts, and you'll be able to meet your new teacher at our annual Back to School Ice Cream Social on Friday, August 19, 2016 from 4-6 pm.

Kindergarten School Supplies

*PLEASE DO **NOT** MARK SCHOOL SUPPLIES WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME*

<u>12</u>	#2 Pencils, pre-sharpened
<u>12</u>	Jumbo pencils
<u>4</u>	Erasers
<u>1</u>	Crayola markers – 10 count
<u>4</u>	Crayola crayons – 24 count
<u>10</u>	glue sticks
<u>1</u>	Fiskars scissors
<u>2</u>	Wide ruled composition notebooks – black and white
<u>4</u>	Wide ruled spiral notebooks – blue, green, red, yellow
<u>4</u>	vinyl/plastic folders with pockets and brads – blue, green, red, yellow
<u>1</u>	Ziploc bags, quart size – BOYS only
<u>1</u>	Ziploc bags, gallon size – GIRLS only
<u>1</u>	copy paper
<u>2</u>	Kleenex tissues
<u>2</u>	Hand sanitizer
<u>1</u>	disinfecting wipes
<u>2</u>	baby wipes
<u>2</u>	paper towels
<u>\$20</u>	Field trip fee
<u>\$5</u>	Technology fee
<u>1</u>	Set of earbuds or headphones

Next year, the Kinder students will be taking four total field trips throughout the school year. The students will be traveling to Bob Bullock History Museum, HEB, Zach Scott Theatre, and Green Gate Farm. Total costs for the year will be \$20, which includes entrance fees and transportation costs.



Say Hello to our Kindergarten Teachers!

Come meet them in person, drop off your supplies, and enjoy some ice cream at the Back to School Ice Cream Social on August 19th, 2016 from 4-6 pm.

TONYA PENNEY	<p>Mrs. Penney has been teaching for 13 years, 6 of those at THES. Although she has taught 1st, 2nd and 5th grades, Kindergarten is her absolute favorite grade to teach! She loves that THES is an in district charter school, which gives her freedom as a teacher to teach curricula that her team has specifically tailored for each child. Additionally, she loves watching the students get excited about acquiring knowledge, changing the world, and being kind to everyone. Mrs. Penney attended East Carolina University and received her Master's degree from Texas State University. Together with her husband, she raises farm animals in Kyle and her favorite color is blue.</p>
MARIBETH ARMINTOR	<p>Also known as Mrs. A, Mrs. Armintor is a veteran teacher with ten years of teaching experience. She loves watching all the progress that the kids make over the year, and loves encouraging the kids to be curious, lifelong learners and develop a love for reading. Since joining THES in 2015, Mrs. Armintor has fallen in love with our Friday morning assemblies at THES, the Fall Carnival and being able to teach through PBL and Blended Learning. She loves to travel with her husband Chris and son Grayson, especially to Crested Butte, CO where they go three times a year! Mrs. A is super crafty, and in her spare time, she loves to work on her Jeep and drive, and even has a motorcycle license! Her favorite colors are pink and black, and she adores baby pigs.</p>
ALEXANDRA DUNBAR - Dual Language	<p>Ms. Dunbar is new to Travis Heights this year, but she has been teaching Kindergarten for six years! She loves teaching because her students always impress her with how much they learn and grow, and they make her smile every day. She graduated from Trinity University in San Antonio with a degree in Geosciences. She's currently working on her master's degree in Sustainability at Texas State University. Her husband Rudy is from Jamaica and they love visiting whenever they can. She has lived in Costa Rica, Venezuela, Morocco, and the Ivory Coast. Ms. Dunbar is excited to be part of the THES community and start project based learning!</p>
SHARON CHAVEZ - Dual Language	<p>While Ms. Chavez is new to THES, she has been teaching for eight years. She will be teaching Dual Language Kinder this year. An alumnae of Barry University in Miami, FL and Concordia University here in Austin, TX, she loves how her student see the world and their innocence. She is super excited about coming to THES, and can't wait to meet everyone and learn first-hand about all the wonderful programs and activities here. Ms. Chavez has two daughters and two dogs, and her favorite color is purple. Welcome to THES, Ms. Chavez!</p>