

Kindergarten Quick Facts

- Student arrival time is 8:45 a.m. Car riders morning drop off is on the side of the school. Follow signage.
- School officially begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m.
- All late arrivals **must have an adult** escort the child into the main office and sign them into the building.
- Students do not change clothes for physical education class but should always wear safe shoes to school.
- Students should bring a snack each day. Please pack it separately from your child's lunch to avoid confusion. **Do not send in peanut butter or nut based snacks.**
- Students are assigned to a bus waiting area at the end of the day dismissal.
- Please send a note if your child is a walker. Parents should arrive at 3:25 to park and prepare for walkers to be dismissed.
- Students will be dismissed at 3:30 p.m.
- Please **put your child's name in their lunch boxes**, coats and any personal belongings. All lost and found items will be placed in a box in a designated area.

Scott Parent Teacher Organization

The Scott Parent Teacher Organization is a vital part of our school. The SPTO is lead by a committee and depends on our school community to take an active role in supporting school activities. PTO sponsors family activities such as the Fall Festival, Holiday Workshop, and Family Bingo Night. During the school day, the PTO runs school store, plans and sponsors classroom parties, and often supports classroom activities. Please check the SPTO section of the Scott Primary website for additional information.

Presidents: Kristen Maher 724-622-8621
Kia Wirth 724-799-9991

Vice Presidents: Shanon Arensman 412-480-9659
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Secretary: Becky Lemmon 814-440-6605

Treasurer: Susan Macher 412-877-0236

Kindergarten Representative: TBD

Contact Information (412) 492-1200:

Scott Main Office x8 8500
Principal (Ms. Foht) x8 8505
Secretary (Mrs. Robertson) x8 8500
Nurse (Mrs. Gaskill) x8 8510
School Counselor (Mrs. Swartz) x8 8516
Social Worker (Ms. Tagmyer) x8 8507
Transportation Office x8 2824
ABC Bus Company 412-821-3000

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**WELCOME TO THE
SHALER AREA
SCHOOL
DISTRICT**



**2018-2019
School Year**

**Kindergarten
Information**

Things Every Shaler Area Parent Should Know

1. **Students are #1.**
SASD has many resources available to address student issues, safety, and well-being.
2. **SASD has 1:1 technology**
SASD offers Project ACE (Advancing Classroom Education)
3. **ABC Transit Inc. operates daily bus runs**
Questions about bus stops, please contact the district transportation department at 412-492-1200 ext. 2824
4. **Be Involved.**
You can get involved! Join the PTO in your building. DPC is the District's Parent Club or School Board.
5. **School counselors are great resources .**
Mrs. Maryann Swartz at ext. 8516
6. **Information is accessible.** Important information is at your fingertips! All important information is posted on the SASD website, Twitter@ShalerArea, and the superintendent's blog at shalerarea.edublogs.org, and Peachjar.com
7. **Where to go with questions**
Contact school personnel (i.e. teacher, guidance counselor, principal) with school-level issues (i.e. grade questions, bullying, classroom assignments.)
8. **Be prepared**
Emergency announcements for inclement weather are posted on the SASD website, local news outlets, Twitter and phone system. Have a plan for an emergency early dismissal.
9. **The Nutrition Group Inc provides lunch and more.** District food service is provided by The Nutrition Group Inc.
A new application for the free/educed lunch program must be filled out each school year. Any food service questions can be directed to Jake Douglas at 412-492-1200 ext. 1581

Important Dates to Remember

For Scott Primary School:

Parent Orientation (Cafeteria)

August 21—2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

August 22- 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Parents have an opportunity to tour the building on their own and get familiar with our school. You may attend one of the two sessions listed. There will be a brief overview of procedures, daily routines and academic expectations. You will have the opportunity to ask questions at that time with your principal. Due to the nature of content discussed, students are asked not to attend.

Kindergarten Orientation (Cafeteria)

August 28 9:30— 10:30 a.m.

Students begin with an abbreviated day. Students will meet their teacher, visit their classroom and take a school bus ride.

Curriculum Night

September 6 5:00 —7:30 p.m.

Kindergarten parents are invited to meet their child's teachers and learn about our academic programming and school expectations. This is for adults only, please.

School Pictures

Thursday, September 27

Homecoming Festivities

Saturday, September 29

Times to be determined

Students are welcome to walk in the community parade along Mt. Royal Boulevard, eat at the picnic booths and attend the Varsity football game.

Frequently Asked Questions:

When will we know who our teachers will be?

Letters notifying students of their teachers and homeroom assignment are sent out in the month of August.

Can I request a specific teacher for my child and/or a certain classmate?

There is an extreme effort to keep classes balanced based on gender, academic achievement, ability, and specific needs of students. We cannot fulfill requests due to those reasons.

When will we get our bus information?

Bus information is mailed in the month of August from the Transportation Department located in our Central Office.

What is the first day of school for kindergarten students?

Kindergarten students along with their parents will begin with an abbreviated day on Tuesday, August 28. Our newest students will be introduced to school the day before all students return. Scott Primary students will attend from 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Transportation is not provided that day. Students will attend a bus orientation at school and have the opportunity to ride the school bus for the first time. August 29 will be the first full day of school. Transportation will begin that day.