



# Oak Brook School

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## CURRICULUM CHRONICLE – Pre-K

### September



Dear Families,

During the next few weeks, children will learn all about their new school and making new friends. We will focus on cooperation and getting along with others as the class is introduced to the routines and expectations of school.

Here are a few special ways you can reinforce at home what children will be learning.

- Establish routines that will help your child to be attentive in school, such as getting plenty of sleep, eating a healthy breakfast, and being ready on time.
- Ask the names of your child’s teachers and classmates.
- Talk about the school schedule and sequence of activities during the school day.
- Practice safety rules to use when going to school and returning home every day.

Most of all, promote cooperation at home every day, which will help your child make a smooth and positive transition to school.

#### My School - Week 1

**Big Idea:** I am getting to know my school.

**Concepts:** Going to school, riding the bus, the crossing guard, school helpers, my classroom, daily schedule and routines, manners and good behavior, on my own, all about me

**Theme Vocabulary:** class, name, school, teacher

#### Making Friends - Week 2

**Big Idea:** I will make friends at school.

**Concepts:** Friendship, what friends do together, friends help each other, making friends when we got to new places, sharing with friends, and friends are alike and different

**Theme Vocabulary:** friends, help, play

#### Learning Together-Week 3

**Big Idea:** I work and play with my friends at school.

**Concepts:** Working together, playing together, taking turns, good manners, songs and games, everyone has strengths

**Theme Vocabulary:** learn, partners, together

#### Getting Along – Week 4

**Big Idea:** I know how to share, and I care about the feelings of others.

**Concepts:** Sharing, caring about others and their feelings, saying “I’m sorry,” including other children in activities, being a good winner and loser, making other children feel special

**Theme Vocabulary:** cooperate, share, turns