



Gatewood Schools

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Dear Families of **K3, K4 and K5** Students:

Can you believe that summer is already half over? We hope you have had some time to relax and enjoy summer. The first day of school will be here soon and we are looking forward to you being part of our **Gatewood Preschool** family this fall. With this letter we would like to invite you to a **special orientation** for the parents of our preschool students on **Wednesday, August 6th** at **6:30 pm** in the **Assembly Hall**.

The preschool years are a very special time. We pride ourselves on providing a rich and stimulating learning environment. The best learning takes place in a safe environment where children feel loved and respected. Excellent communication between teacher and parent is paramount to the success of a child's emotional wellbeing and consequently his learning possibilities. We pride ourselves on our nurturing school atmosphere. This meeting is designed to help us work together to have the safest and most productive school year possible. We scheduled this meeting on Wednesday to avoid the hustle and bustle of our regularly scheduled Open House.

During this meeting we will go over our routines and schedules. Immediately following the orientation meeting you will have an opportunity to visit your child's classroom where you may sign up for classroom events and speak to your child's teacher individually. We ask that you make arrangements for at least one parent to attend this event. Children are not allowed, but limited childcare will be available at school during the meeting.

Please bring your preschool student to **our school-wide Open House** on **Thursday, August 7th** from **4 to 6 pm** to meet your classroom teacher. Our preschool teachers will dedicate this evening to welcoming your child to his or her new classroom. Feel free to bring school supplies in a bag marked with your child's name on either night and leave it in your child's classroom. Please call Juliet Ruhl, Preschool Director at 706.473.9388, or email her at jruhl4gw@yahoo.com with any questions.

Until then, have a safe and restful summer!

Juliet Ruhl

Preschool Director