



Welcome to *Melrose* Kindergarten

November 12, 2015



Melrose Public Schools

- Hoover Elementary School (2 K Classes)
- Horace Mann Elementary School (2 K Classes)
- Lincoln Elementary School (4 K Classes)
- Roosevelt Elementary School (4 K Classes)
- Winthrop Elementary School (3 Classes)

Currently, class size range from 18-25 students

Requirements for Kindergarten:

- Child must reside in Melrose
- Child must be 5 years of age by September 1, 2016
- Proof of Residency – See MPS Residency Procedures (on MPS website)
- Birth certificate – original with raised seal
- Copy of immunizations and last physical

Arrival/Dismissal

- School day begins at 8:10 a.m.
- School day ends at 2:22 p.m.



Early-Bird Morning Program

All Buildings Provide Early Morning Care: Start times vary by school

- Fee-based
- Sign-up in advance; form is on-line

Education Stations

- After school care beginning at dismissal till 6:00 p.m.
- Snack is provided; rotating stations various pick-up times & fee scale
- Sign-up on-line
- Staffed by “Education Stations” personnel

Snack & Lunch

- Students bring a healthy **snack** to school each day
- Snacks **MUST** be peanut/nut free
- Students may either buy **lunch** or bring a lunch
- Students are issued a “lunch id card”
- Lunch **DOES NOT** need to be peanut/nut free
- Each school cafeteria has a designated ‘nut free’ table
- Students have 20 minutes
- Lunch is supervised by paraprofessional staff

Recess

- Students have a 20 min. recess immediately following lunch
- Teachers supervise students on playground
- Feels like temp. (www.weather.com) 20 degrees or below indoor recess

Examples of School Clubs

- **B.O.K.S.** – “Build Our Kids Success” before school physical activity program run by school staff
- **Lego Club** – after school program run by parent volunteers
- **Drama Club** – after school theatre program run by school staff
- **Global Child** – after school program exposes children to a different language run by outside agency

Volunteering

- Volunteers must be registered with “The Bridge”
- Teachers organize volunteers based on need
- Volunteers are needed on some field trips
- Weekly volunteer opportunities in the library
- Bridge information available on the school website

Communication

- PTO E-Notices
- Principal's Newsletter / Blogs
- Principal Twitter Accounts
- Teacher websites, newsletters and Aspen pages

- Subscribe to School website: weekly What's New e-mail
- Like us on Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/winthropschool>

Who Is In Our Buildings?

Highly Qualified Teachers

Para-professionals

School Psychologist

Occupational Therapist

Speech and Language Pathologist

Physical Therapist

Licensed Music, Art, Physical and Health
Education Teachers

Best Practices in Kindergarten

- Workshop Model
 - Mini-lesson
 - Small Group and Centers
- Writing across the Curriculum
 - Math Journals
 - Science Journals
 - KidWriting
- Hands- On Learning

Small Group Instruction

What is it? Teacher meets with small groups of students based upon their needs. Data from benchmarks and progress monitoring and teacher assessments are used to form the groups. Instruction in the small group is based upon student need and revolves around conceptual understanding, procedural fluency, strategic competency, productive disposition, and adaptive reasoning.

Why is it important?

Small group instruction has the most impact on students who are struggling. Students receive immediate feedback on their progress. Teachers are also able to differentiate based upon student need.

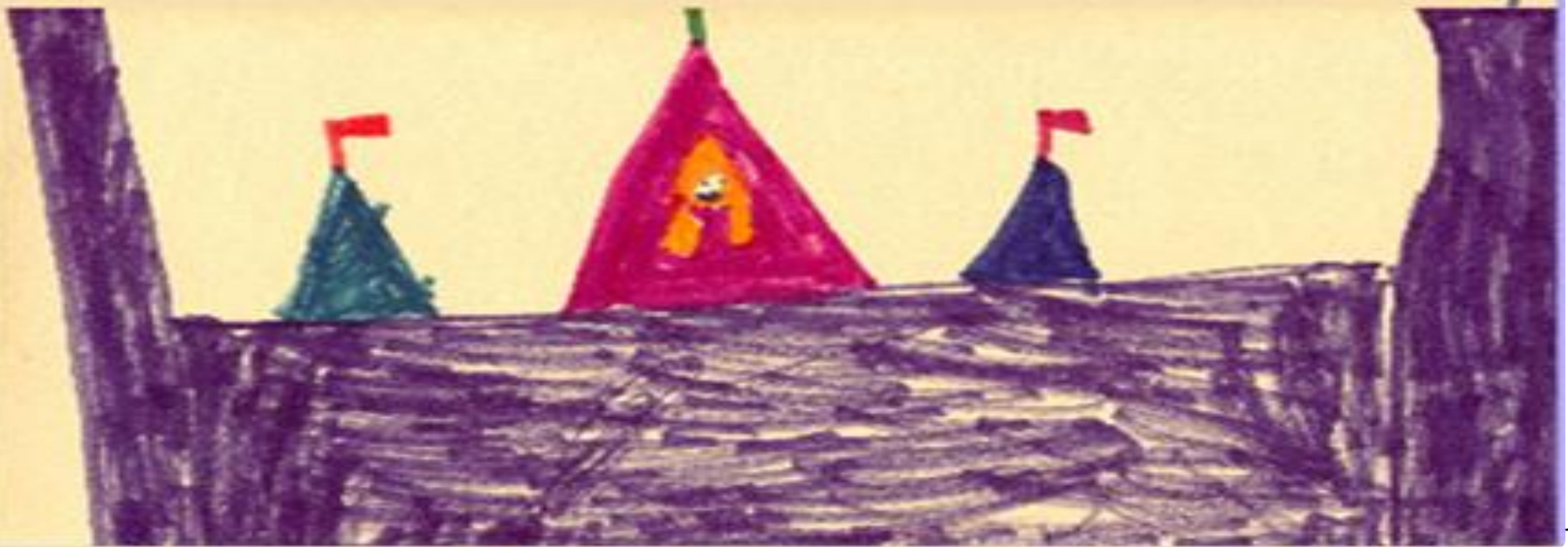


Kindergarten Literacy Curriculum

- Students have a minimum of a 90 minute literacy block.
- Literacy Curriculum is based on the core reading program, *Reading Street*. Program is supplemented by Lively Letters.
- Students spend 30 minutes in a whole class lesson and move on to literacy centers that ask them to use letters, words, books, and write.



I am a Princess:
The witch put
me in the tower
and I can't
get out.



Kindergarten Math Curriculum

- Melrose Public Schools has adopted the enVision Math curriculum K-5. This school year is our third year of full implementation.
- Students participate in hands on and center based experiences with numbers, addition and subtraction concepts. Students also explore beginning concepts in measurement and geometry.
- 30 minute whole group lesson, followed by centers and small group instruction

Kindergarten Fall Tours

- School Tours:

- Lincoln/Winthrop:

November 17th 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.

- Hoover/Horace Mann/Roosevelt:

November 16th 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Registration Process

- On-line pre-registration period: February
- Log onto www.melroseschools.com
- Click on Student Registration to access the pre-registration form.
- Registration window in March
(Parent Information Center, Central Admin)



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Student Registration

Welcome to Melrose Public School's registration information page. For some of you, this is your first exposure to the Melrose Public Schools, while for others it continues your child's educational experience. We look forward to working with you and your son/daughter to make the years ahead rich and rewarding ones.

Our talented and committed staff, teachers and administrators stand ready to partner with you to help your child discover the joy of learning in the classroom, on the playground, on our athletic fields, or while participating in one of our many arts programs. Melrose is about community and we are pleased that you have chosen to join the other parents, families and students that make up the Melrose Public School educational community.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The following information will assist you in registering your child for school. Please choose a grade level below and click for important registration information.

- [Franklin Early Childhood Registration Information 14-15](#)
-  [Kindergarten Registration Information 14-15](#)
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Should you have any questions, please contact the Parent Information Center at 781-662-2000 ext #1.

Thank you for choosing Melrose!

Child's Name _____
Last First Middle

Male _____ Female _____

___ **COMPLETED** On-line Pre-Registration Form (**This is your email confirmation.**)

___ Birth Certificate (**Original document with seal must be presented.** *We will make a copy for our file and return the original back to you.*)

___ Current Proof of Residency (**See attached Residency Procedures and Forms. Must be original documents.** *We will make copies for our files and return the originals back to you.*)

___ Home Language Survey

___ Current physical exam, including immunizations (**Must be within the past 12 months.** *We will accept a copy.*)

Priorities for Kindergarten Placement :

During Registration parents will select 3 schools in order of priority. The following criteria are used to determine placement:

- Need for program or facility
- Timeliness of registration
- Presence of siblings in the school
- Proximity to school

Next Steps

- **TOURS NEXT WEEK**
- **JANUARY OPEN HOUSES**
- **KINDERGARTEN SCREENING IN
MARCH/ APRIL**