



Valley Baptist Preschool

Faith Growth Family

# Back to School Newsletter

## Welcome to the 2025-2026 School Year!

We are so excited to see your family and spend the upcoming year with your kiddos. In order to ease you and the children into the new year, we have scheduled a few preschool community events. Our parent-only Back to School night will happen on August 28. Also, our Playground Event and/or Parent, Child, & Teacher Conferences will give you a chance to show your children their classroom and meet their teachers. Each event is mentioned on your family calendar. Please reserve the time to join us.

## Important Dates

### 8/28: Back to School Night (Parent Only Event)

- All Families, Upstairs Church Sanctuary, 6:30-6:50 pm
- Class Room Visit Session 1, 6:55-7:25 pm
- Class Room Visit Session 2 (for families with preschool siblings), 7:30-8:00 pm
- Parent Q&A Table, 7:20-8:00 pm

### 8/29: Sneak-a-Peek & Playground Visit

- Infants and Ones: Do not attend this event, but will meet their teachers on 9/2 or 9/3
- Twos: 9:30-10:00 am (Playground Visit Only)
- Threes: 10:30-11:00 am
- PreK: 11:30-12:00pm

### 9/1 (M): Labor Day - No Preschool

### 9/2 (T):

- Infants, Ones, & Twos - Parent, Child, & Teacher Conferences by appointment. An email invitation from teachers to follow.
- Threes & PreK - Gradual Entry Day, 9:00-11:30 am

### 9/3 (W):

- Infants & Ones - Parent, Child, & Teacher Conferences by appointment. An email invitation from teachers to follow.
- Twos Only - Gradual Entry Day, 9:00-11:30 am
- Threes & PreK - Full Day, 9:00-2:30 pm

### 9/4 (Th):

- All Children - Full Day, 9:00-2:30 pm
- First Day of Before and After Care

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# Brightwheel App



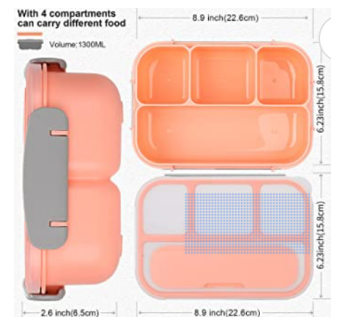
The Brightwheel App is a wonderful tool for connecting with you throughout the day. Your assigned Brightwheel code will be used to sign your child in and out of school each day. An invitation to the app has been sent to new Valley families to activate and explore.

## Teacher Assignments

Teacher and classroom assignments will rollout tomorrow (8/8), in Brightwheel as a communications test. Teachers will send classroom welcome letters on Monday, 8/25, when they return to school from summer break.

## What to Bring to Preschool

Please see the attached What the Bring to Preschool sheet in preparation for the first day of school. Please remember to send your child's lunch in a Bento-style lunch box for ease of refrigeration. Dry snacks that do not fit will need to stay in cubbies. Each child should also have a leak-proof, reusable water bottle. Please pack extra clothes in a labeled, gallon-size, ziplock bag. **All student items must be labeled with their first and last names.** Waterproof labels, Sharpie markers, or laundry stamps are a great idea.



## Paperwork

Thank you so much for completing and turning in all of the required paperwork. If you have outstanding paperwork (Health, Emergency, All About Me, and Contact Forms) must be completed prior to the first day of school. Your child cannot be left at the preschool on their first day without these documents.

## Preschool Guidelines

- **Parking:** Please observe the two Handicap Parking Signs nearest the Preschool door. There are also two spots reserved for Expectant Mothers and Families with Infants. Please do not park in front of the dumpster.
- **After School Supervision:** Traffic in our parking lot has increased with the new businesses. Children are welcome to play in the front yard after school, but please keep children in sight and do not let them go behind the gazebo. Also, please refrain from tree climbing and moving drainage rocks.
- **Drop Off:** It is helpful for the continuity of the preschool day for children to arrive at school prior to 9:20 am. We understand that situations and appointments arise; however, please send a Brightwheel message to your child's teacher if you know you will be running late.
- **Late Pick Up:** Please refer to your Parent Handbook for information regarding late pick up and the applicable fees. We will ask anyone who arrives for a late pick up to sign in our binder to document the occurrence.
- **Shoes:** Safety is our priority. Children must be wearing appropriate shoes to participate in recess. Shoes must be similar to tennis shoes, and secure properly with ties or velcro. Please leave Crocs, cowboy boots, and rain boots at home.