

Top Ten Questions asked by Kindergarten Parents



1. Where does my child report in the morning?

All kindergarten students report to the auditorium each morning. Your child will sit with his or her class. Only children are allowed in the auditorium. The auditorium is closely supervised by school staff.

2. What if my child has a food allergy?

If your child has allergies please notify your child's teacher and the school nurse. If your child brings any peanut butter products for lunch he or she will be asked to sit at the designated table in the cafeteria.

3. What should I do if my child is absent?

If your child is absent, please call the school and send in a note upon your child's return. Refer to NHPS district attendance guidelines. If your child does not bring in a note, the absence will remain on record as unexcused.

4. What if my child decides to bring a lunch to school?

New Haven provides a free school lunch every day. If your child brings lunch from home please have it in a lunch bag or box. Please label your child's lunch box. No glass containers, candy, or soda is allowed.

5. How does dismissal work at Nathan Hale?

All students scheduled to be picked up will be escorted to the cafeteria. A parent or other designated adult must sign him or her out daily. If someone other than the regular adult is picking up your child, a note should be sent in the morning. If your child is taking the bus, he or she will be monitored to the back of building and dismissed to his or her appropriate bus.



6. What should my child bring to school daily?

Your child should bring the following items to school everyday:

- A book bag

7. How can I contact my child's teacher?

In order to contact your child's teacher you can call the main office, write a note and send it in with a backpack or make an appointment before or after school with the teacher directly.

8. Will my child have recess?

Yes, kindergarten students have recess. The teachers have a schedule to bring the children outside. However, recess occurs if the weather permits. If it is raining, icy or too cold outside, indoor recess will take place.

9. How can I be involved with my child's school?

Nathan Hale welcomes parent involvement. You can schedule times to volunteer in the classroom, library or during recess. Also, the PTO sponsors many activities and events that the whole family can enjoy. The kindergarten team also schedules events during the day to share their writing, reading and math in which parents can attend.

10. How will I know how my child is performing in school?

Twice a year, there will be formal parent conferences. Teachers schedule times with families to report on your child's progress. Also, please check your child's book bag and folder nightly. Often teachers make thoughtful comments on papers or send home notes to keep you posted on how your child is doing.

