



Chula Vista Elementary School District
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Dear Kindergarten Families,

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! We are so excited to welcome you, your child, and your family to Casillas Elementary School! This is going to be a wonderful school year. Kindergarten is such a special time in a young child's education and our hearts are glowing with excitement to be a part of it!

Please be aware our *regular* kinder daily schedule is Monday-Thursday 7:45am-2:15pm and Fridays 7:45am-1:05pm. **However, for the first three days of school (Wednesday 7/19, Thursday 7/20, Friday 7/21), kindergarten will have an early dismissal at 12:15pm.** These minimized first three days of school will help support our young scholars' transition into their new routines and help them build up the stamina a full school day requires.

This modified schedule also allows time for us teachers to conduct one-on-one assessments with each student after school. Your child's teacher will be informing you of your child's assessment date and time soon! We greatly appreciate your support in making sure your child is on time to their assessment. This time together is so important! Not only will we be able to see where we are meeting our students academically, but we also start building our relationships with one another as well! ***Also, please note that for any students who ride the bus, bus transportation for early dismissals on these three days will not be provided.***

Additionally, we will have a **Kindergarten Orientation on Tuesday, July 18th at 9:00 AM followed by a meet and greet at 10:00 AM** (see attached flyer). Both the orientation and the meet and greet will take place in our auditorium located adjacent to the front office. We would like parents/guardians to attend as we will go over important information about your scholar's kindergarten year as well as important dates and procedures to ensure a smooth transition for your child (*only two adults per scholar please*).

We cannot wait to meet everyone at our Kindergarten Orientation on Tuesday, July 18!

With hearts full of love,
The Casillas Kinder Team