New Student Orientation

Lynn Crest School #22
August 27, 2026

Opening Remarks

Welcome to Lynn Crest!

Our school is called **Lynn Crest**. Sometimes it is called **School #22**.
I am your principal. My name is **Mr. Connelly**.
Ms. Beaudry is our school's secretary.
Nurse Tineo is our school's nurse.
Ms. Tonery is our guidance counselor.
Mr. Ed is our school's custodian.
You're going to love it here!
Now it is time to meet your teachers!



Today's Schedule

Welcome	Matthew Connelly, Principal
Teacher Introductions	Brittany Jackow, Kindergarten Teacher Lindsey May, Kindergarten Teacher Tonianne McDonald, Grade 1 Teacher Patricia Rodrigues, Paraprofessional Tiffany Vitollo, Grade 1 Teacher Karen Carter, Grade 1 Teacher Maryjean Voight, Grade 1 Teacher Monica McRae, Grade 1 Teacher

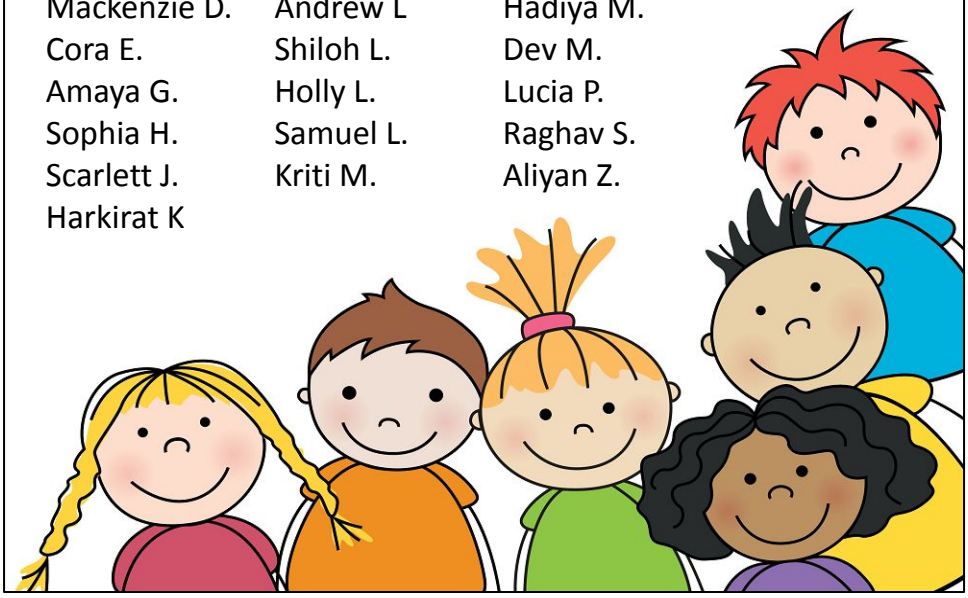
Students will be escorted to their classroom by their teachers.
Parents will stay here in the All Purpose Room.

Presentation of Information	Matthew Connelly

Parents will be reunited with their students.

Ms. Jackow's Kindergarten

Mackenzie D.
Cora E.
Amaya G.
Sophia H.
Scarlett J.
Harkirat K
Andrew L
Shiloh L.
Holly L.
Samuel L.
Kriti M.
Hadiya M.
Dev M.
Lucia P.
Raghav S.
Aliyan Z.



Ms. May's Kindergarten

Mahi A.
Aimee A.
Amara D.
Graziana G.
Avleen K.
Ian L.
Isabella M.
Tyler O.
Jayden P.
Saanvi P.
Avyukath P.
Lorena P.
Natalia R.
Cove S.
Vivaan S.
Rosalie T.



Ms. McDonald's & Ms. Rodrigues' Grade 1

Adriel A.
Jackson B.
Savannah G.
Yusuf I.
Xareni J.

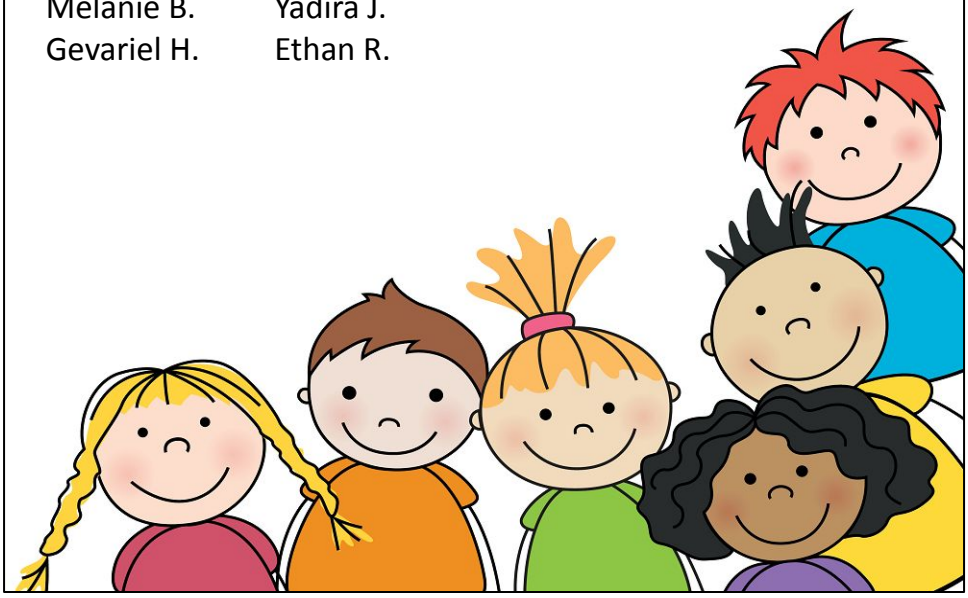
Brayden J.
Anish K.
Damien K.
Jasleen K.

Delilah M.
Kaidence M.
Michael S.
Chloe T.



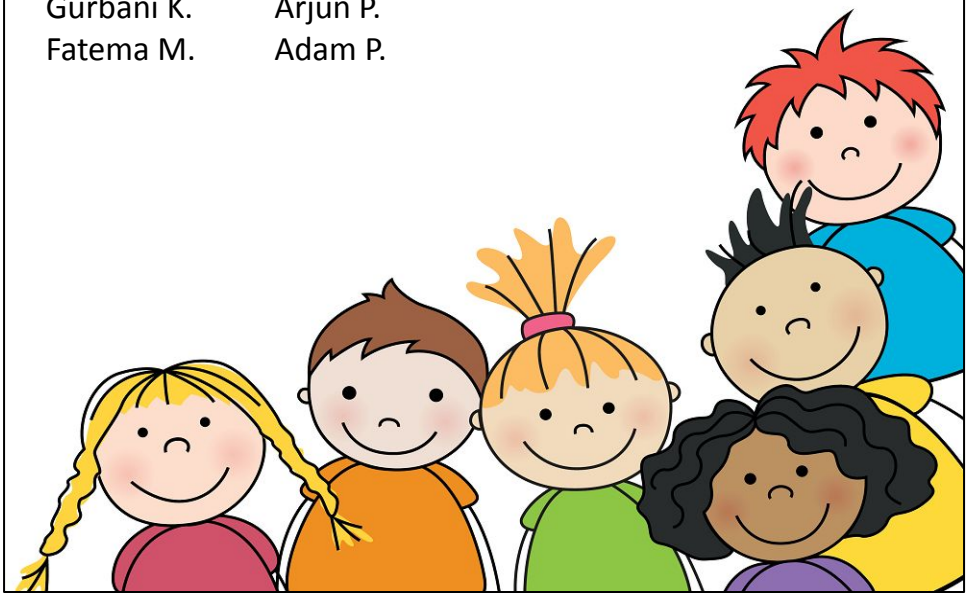
Ms. Voight's & Ms. McRae's Grade 1

Melanie B.
Gevariel H.
Yadira J.
Ethan R.



Ms. Vitollo's and Ms. Carter's Grade 1

Gurbani K.
Fatema M.
Arjun P.
Adam P.





WHAT IS NEW FOR THE 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR?

- TALK ABOUT OUR SCHOOL…
  - Lynn Crest continually ranks as one of the top elementary schools in the WTSD and in Middlesex County
- THIS IS DUE TO…
  - Exceptional teachers
  - Supportive and engaged parents
  - Well-rounded and “living” curriculum
- OUR STUDENTS ENJOY COMING TO SCHOOL!



These building-based core beliefs will drive our school processes:

- All children can learn, just in different ways on different days.
- Learning should consistently include knowledge, skills and values.
- We are here to serve the children; every decision we make must be in their best interests.



“Achieving Excellence Together”
Our children will be most successful when we work as a team to pursue and achieve our instructional and developmental goals.

Arrival and Dismissal Times

Regular Starting & Dismissal Times

Grades K-5 8:55 AM - 3:30 PM

Early Dismissal Schedule

Grades K-5 8:55 AM - 1:10 PM

Delayed Opening Schedule

Grades K-5 10:55 AM - 3:30 PM

Arrival Procedures

- **ALL students ENTER through Door 1 (Front Door)**
  - Door 1 will open at 8:45am. Prior to 8:45, it is the responsibility of parents/guardians to supervise their children on school grounds.
  - Upon entry, Grade K and 1 students will report to the APR and lineup by classroom with their teacher.
  - Bus students will be escorted to their designated location by their assigned “Safety Patrol”.
  - *Students arriving after 8:55 MUST report to the main office with their parent/guardian*.



RED - Grade 5
ORANGE - Grade 4
YELLOW - Grade 3
GREEN - Grade 2
BLUE - Grade 1
PURPLE - Grade K

Dismissal Procedures

- **ALL students EXIT through Door 1 (Front Door)**
  - Students will be escorted by their teachers and dismissed to parents at Door 1 beginning at 3:20pm.
  - Bus students will be escorted to the bus lines by their assigned “Safety Patrol”.
  - *Parents not present at 3:30pm must report to the main office to pick up their child.*



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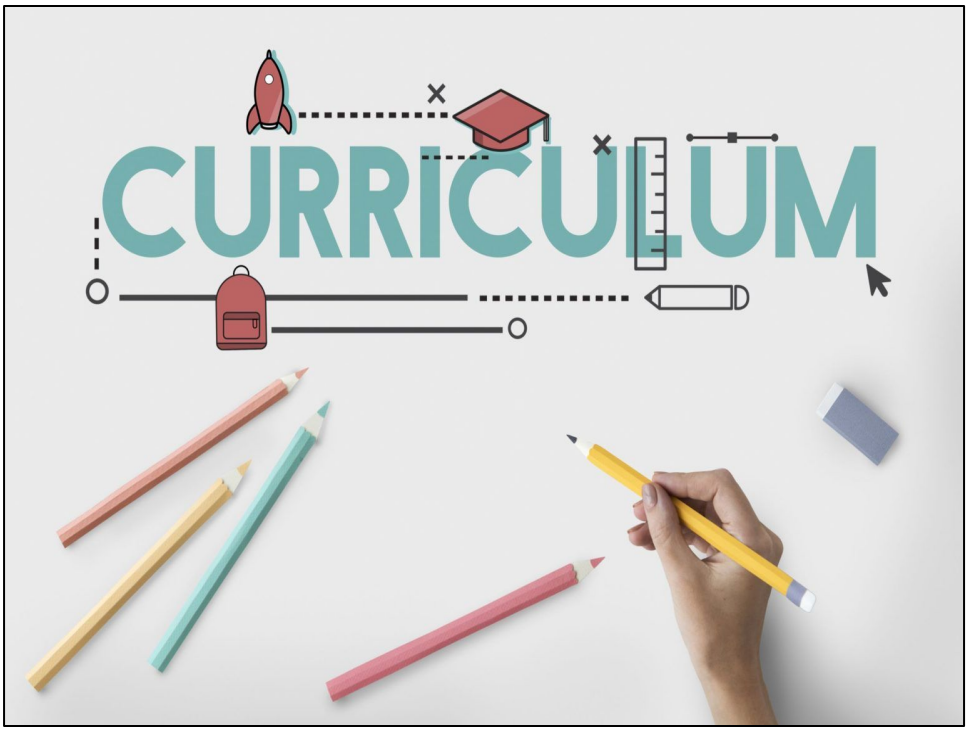


Kindergarten and First Grade are critical years that set the foundation for a student's educational path.

- Students will be given opportunities to take part in whole group instruction, small group instruction, hands-on learning, and exploration.
- These experiences will help them grow intellectually, socially and emotionally.
- Lessons and activities will be structured around student's development in all domains - physical, social-emotional, cognitive and language.

The following components make up our academic program.
These areas will be addressed using age-appropriate techniques:

- Language Arts (Reading, Writing, Phonics): *Benchmark Advance*
- Mathematics: *i-Ready Classroom Math*
- Additional Content Areas
  - Science
  - Social Studies
  - Health
- Centers
- Play (Kindergarten)
- Specials
  - Physical Education
  - Art
  - Music

Additional information can be found in the Elementary Program of Studies found in the "For Parents" section of our school website.



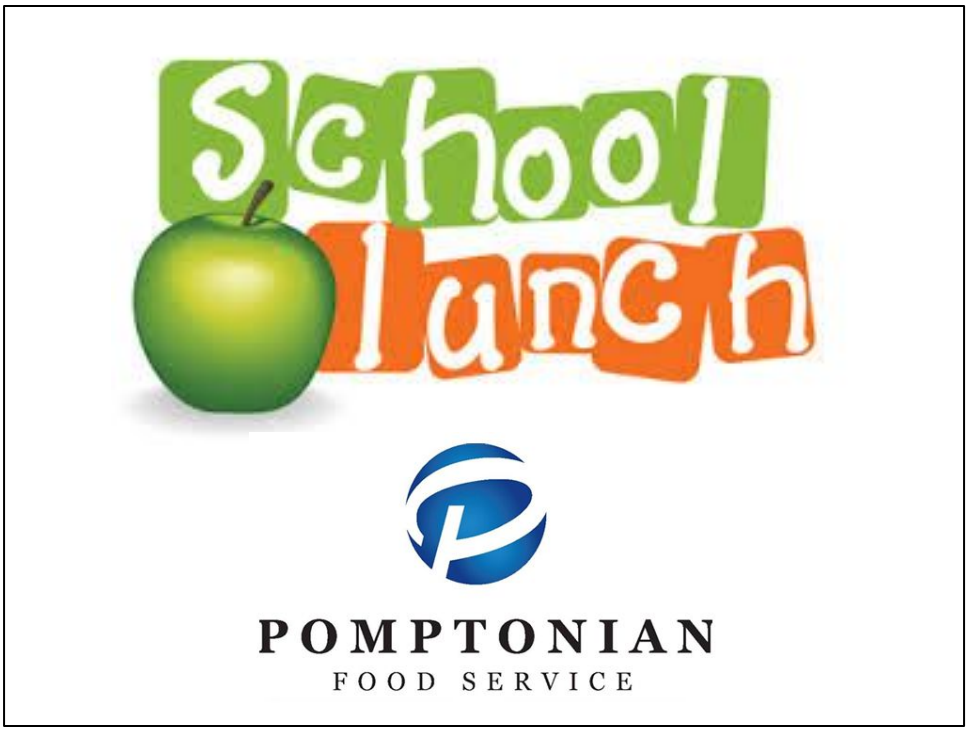
Our school motto is “Work Hard, Be Kind”.

We have our students repeat this many times throughout the year to reinforce these two basic expectations.

We support “kindness” through our character education program known as “bucketfilling”.



School Supply List can be found on the Lynn Crest website under the “For Parents” section.



Students should come to school with a snack, lunch and water (refillable bottle)

Pomptonian will continue to be our lunch provider for the 2026-27 school year. All pertinent information regarding lunches…

- Online payment option using PaySchools Central;
- Interactive lunch menus;
- Meal prices;
- Free- or Reduced-Lunch Application

…can all be found on the Lynn Crest School #22 website under “Dining”.

Although the USDA is no longer providing free meals to all students, families may qualify for free- or reduced-lunch. Applications are due *no later than* October 1st.



Visitors to school will be limited.
Drop boxes will continue to be placed at the entrance to the school for parents to drop off items for students.
Any visitor will be required to ring bell and show picture ID before entering the building.

- Parents/guardians who are visiting the school will be required to register and scan their ID before receiving a visitor's pass.



We have limited parking spaces that can only accommodate our existing staff. If possible, please park on adjacent streets and walk up to campus.
PARENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED IN THE LOT DURING THE BUS ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL WINDOWS:

- AM - 8:30AM-9:00AM
- PM - 3:15PM-3:45PM

School Contact Information

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The first member of our “team” that will help you and your child navigate their years here at Lynn Crest School is our Cheif Secretary Ms. Jenene Beaudry.

Chief Secretary: Jenene Beaudry

- Absences / Lates / Early Pick-up / No Bus / Aftercare
- Student Pick-Up
- School and District Websites
  - Woodbridge Township Website - **woodbridge.k12.nj.us**
  - Lynn Crest School #22 Website - **woodbridge.k12.nj.us/o/lc22**
- PTO
- Parent Portal - **parent.woodbridge.k12.nj.us**
- Bus Information
- Lost and Found
- Birthday and Holiday Celebrations



The next “team” member that will help your child thrive is our school nurse.

SCHOOL NURSE: Ms. Christine Tineo



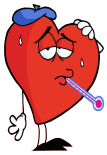
Roles of the School Nurse



- Provides first aid and emergency care
- Manages care of students with chronic or acute health conditions
- Administers medication
- Provides staff education and training
- Conducts health screenings
- Promotes a healthy school environment

When is your child too sick for school?

- Fever
- Chills
- Body Aches
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Headache



- Sore throat
- Congestion
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- New loss of taste/smell

How can parents help?

- Notify the school nurse of any changes to your child's health.
- Provide emergency medication along with the necessary paperwork.
- Provide updated and accurate emergency contact information
- Keep your child home for any signs of illness.



The final member of our main office team is…

SCHOOL COUNSELOR: Ms. Kelsey Tonery

She is a full-time counselor who will support students through whole-class lessons, small group and individual counseling



Our school is not only committed to our students' academic success and their safety, but also their **social and emotional well-being**.

- Ms. Tonery is trained to assist our students and support their mental health and well-being.
- Our teachers will work closely throughout the year with Ms. Tonery to ensure we are doing our best to support our student population

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All families are encouraged to join the PTO and actively participate in planned events. Our PTO is a dynamic group with many wonderful ideas that greatly benefit our children.
A membership link will be emailed to families.

Upcoming Dates

09/02 - First Day of School

09/07 - NO SCHOOL

09/09 - Open House @6:00pm

09/16 - PTO Meeting @6:00pm in APR

09/21 - Fall Picture Day

09/22 - School Spirit Day

10/01 - Bucketfiller Day

"In this complex world, it takes more than a good school to educate children. And it takes more than a good home. It takes these two major educational institutions working together."

- Dorothy Rich

"One Team, One Dream"
Our children will be more successful when we work as a team to achieve our instructional and developmental goals.

Now let's go outside and meet back up with your children.