

Transitional Kindergarten & Kindergarten

Information Night - 2024



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Tonight's Agenda

1. Welcome - please fill out the [attendance sheet](#)
2. Handouts
3. Presentation
4. Questions
5. Tour of the building
6. Specific questions, email Principal Fragomeni:

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Principal's Welcome

Welcome to Burton Elementary School, Home of the Blue Jays!

- Core Values: Kindness, Respect, and Empathy
- Leader in Me School - Focusing on the 7 Habits
- 440 students and over 60 + staff members
- Kindergarten and TK Teachers:
 - Ms. Emery - Kindergarten
 - Mrs. Martin - Kindergarten
 - Ms. Posey - TK
 - Ms. Williams - Kindergarten



Our Programs

Kindergarten

- All Schools

Transitional Kindergarten

- District program
- Location(s) TBD

Full day of learning,
special classes, recess, lunch

Before and after school care
is available, as space allows:

- **Angell, Pattengill, Rogers and Norup** - Berkley Schools Kids' Zone Latchkey Program
- **Burton - NEW** Burton (AM) & Huntington Woods Recreation Center (PM)
 - Each section must have a minimum of 16 students to run



Latchkey - Huntington Woods Recreation Center

After school only until 6:00pm

- TK and 1st graders are walked to the Rec Center

Registration

- April 9 - HW Residents & Grandfathered RO Section
- April 16 - Other Burton families who reside outside of HW

Questions:

- **Contact Latchkey Director, Jenny Morgan**
- **248-541-3030 or jmorgan@hwmi.org**



Academics

Reading Literacy and Writing

Math

Science

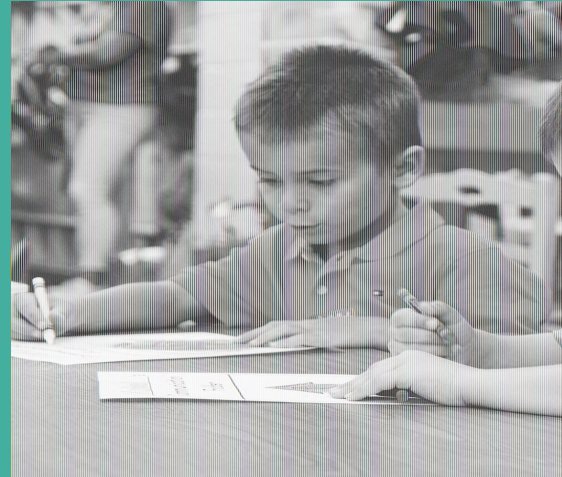
Social Studies

Special Subjects

- ✓ Art
- ✓ Music
- ✓ Physical Education
- ✓ Media Center (Library/Technology)
- ✓ Optional: Study Skills & Spanish



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What is the Transitional Kindergarten program?

- Specialized District program to meet the academic and social development of students who are not quite ready for regular Kindergarten
- **Placement is a joint decision** between families and principals; A guided discussion will include:
 - readiness skills
 - stamina/attention span
 - preschool experience
 - academic skills
 - birthdate
 - level of independence



**If you are considering
Transitional
Kindergarten, your
child should be
attempting to.....**

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- Use the bathroom independently
- Take turns and share
- Keep hands to themselves
- Sit quietly to listen to a short story

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- Use a pencil
- Separate from parents without becoming upset
- Say their first and last name
- Write their first name
- Draw some form of a person
- Count to 10 and recognize numbers to 5
- Recognize colors and shapes
- Recognize upper and lower case letters
- Color, cut, and glue appropriately
- Can rhyme and has some exposure to letter sounds



Does my child qualify for Transitional Kindergarten & Kindergarten?

- Must be 5 years old by **September 1, 2024**
- Transitional Kindergarten may not be available in all buildings. Locations are determined on District-wide needs after enrollment window has closed.
 - If a TK program is held in the child's home/neighborhood school, and there is more interest than space, a lottery will take place for TK placement.
 - Overflow students will be assigned to another school for TK.
 - Students will return to their home/neighborhood school for Kindergarten if they do not attend TK in their neighborhood school.
- What is a waiver? Why would I need one?
 - If I sign a waiver, I am saying my child is ready for **Kindergarten**.



Registration is Online!

For Berkley School District Residents

- Enrollment Window – **February 5-16, 2024**
- www.berkleyschools.org/enrollment
- Enrollment takes place all online, including uploading required documents
 - NEW: Dental screenings are now required, in addition to health screenings, vision and hearing screenings and immunizations
 - Berkley Schools requires all documents to be turned in prior to school starting. If your child won't be able to have their 5 year old physical/immunizations prior to school starting, contact the Central Enrollment Office.
- A school summary for your preschool will be sent after registration is completed.

Schools of Choice Program (Non-residents)

- Transitional Kindergarten through 5th grade – based on space availability
- Open to all Berkley Schools elementary schools
- Oakland County resident
- **Application Window:**
February 12 - March 4, 2024
- Berkley is a walking district; Transportation not provided
- Building preference is not guaranteed
- SOC students remain in BSD through graduation
 - Unless there is a break in enrollment

Transitional Kindergarten & Kindergarten Round-Up Dates

Angell – Thursday, May 16, 2024

Burton – Friday, May 3, 2024

Norup International – Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Pattengill – Wednesday, May 15, 2024

Rogers – Wednesday, May 22, 2024



[Watch this video](#) welcoming you to the Berkley Schools from Superintendent Scott Francis and learn more about the enrollment process.



Thank you, voters!

August 2023 Bond Passed

Over the next three years, the District will be experiencing construction projects to enhance our spaces and learning environments.

- Multipurpose Room (cafeteria)
- Technology Updates
- New Furniture

Questions and Building Tour of Burton!

Don't forget to sign in and let us know what your preference is for next year.

Please enjoy the guided tour from our Burton teachers.
After the tour, our Informational Night will conclude.



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