
Welcome to Kindergarten!

Ocean View School District

2011-2012 School Year



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Dear Parents,

Kindergarten is a special time for children and a significant milestone in their lives as they begin to take their first steps on the path of education. In addition to developing necessary skills that will serve as a foundation for all future learning, children will develop relationships and attitudes that will impact their success in school. In Ocean View, it is our goal to support every child during this important transition so that each student may fully experience the joy of learning.

This brochure is designed to provide information and answers to help you prepare your child to begin school. The kindergarten program choices are tailored to address the needs of our youngest students. As your child begins this exciting journey, the school staff will work together as a team with you every step along the way. Instruction in all kindergarten classes is aligned to the California Content Standards. The kindergarten program in Ocean View ensures the most appropriate educational setting for each individual child and lays the essential foundation to maximize academic development and support school success.

We look forward to a very exciting year and welcome you and your child to the Ocean View family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alan G. Rasmussen". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a faint, light blue circular watermark or seal.

Alan G. Rasmussen, Ed.D., Superintendent

General Information

Age Requirement

Children are eligible for kindergarten for 2011-12 if they reach five years of age by 12/2/2011.

Attendance

Regular attendance and punctuality play key roles in the success a student achieves in school. Please attempt to schedule doctor, dental and other appointments outside of the school day. If your child is ill, please call the school to report the absence.

Intradistrict Transfers

The majority of our parents annually elect to have their child remain at their home school – the local school serving their child’s attendance area. This is where their friends live and it is the school with which they are familiar. However, for a variety of personal or educational reasons, some parents choose to have their child attend other schools within the District. Our District provides parents with this option on a space-available basis. Transportation to any school other than the home school is the responsibility of parents. For more information, call our Educational Support Services Department at 714.847.2551 - X1319.

Interdistrict Transfers

If you are a resident of another district but wish to attend an Ocean View School District school, the following steps will guide you through the interdistrict transfer process:

- ✓ Obtain an interdistrict transfer form from your district of residence. Complete the form and return it to your district for signature. After your district representative signs the form to release your child, it will be mailed to Ocean View School District
- ✓ Ocean View School District approves new interdistrict transfers based upon space and program availability. Notification will be mailed to you.
- ✓ When your child is accepted by Ocean View School District, you will take his/her birth certificate and immunization record to the requested school to enroll as soon as possible after receiving your letter of approval.

Please call Desiree Moore at 714.847.2551 X1319 for additional information regarding the interdistrict transfer process.

General Information | Registration Info

Kindergarten Oral Health Requirement

California law now requires that your child have a dental check-up by May 31 of his or her first school year. Dental evaluations that have taken place within the 12 months before your child enters school also meet this requirement. Your school will give you the required form to take with you when your child has his/her check-up.

Volunteering

You are welcome and encouraged to participate as a volunteer. Your participation will benefit all students and staff at the school where you will be volunteering. Ocean View recognizes that parents, grandparents and community members serve as valuable resources to our schools by enriching the daily learning lives of children. By volunteering, you will be making a direct contribution to the educational program. Please contact your child's school for more information.

Registering Your Child

All neighborhood schools accept registration forms for incoming kindergarten students who will reach five years of age by the cut-off date of December 2. Parents who wish to register their child for kindergarten must provide up-to-date immunization records, results of Mantoux TB screening, proofs of residence and a birth certificate. Call 714.847.2551 x1319 for more information.

Registration Checklist

- Is your child 5 years of age on or before December 2?
- If so, continue on to the next box. If not, your child is not eligible for kindergarten enrollment for the coming year.
- Pick up enrollment packet at your home school. At this time, you **MUST** provide two proofs of residency – gas, electric or water bill. Phone and cable bills will not be accepted.
- Return all forms to the school office as soon as they are completed. Bring your child's birth certificate and immunization record.
- Your child must have all required immunizations prior to the first day of school.
- Will your child need before- or after-school care? If so, contact your child's school for child care enrollment information or Ocean View Child Care at 714.847.2551 x1121.
- If your child will be taking the bus, complete the bus application in the packet.

Readiness – Is my child ready for Kindergarten?

Ask yourself: Does my child...

- Sit still for 10-15 minutes?
- Listen to a story or participate in an activity and respond to questions related to that activity?
- Retain information?
- Follow simple two-step directions?
- Have an interest in reading, listening to stories, letters, and numbers?
- Count to 10 and understand simple number concepts?
- Focus on an activity?
- Finish what he/she starts?
- Name colors?
- Enjoy coloring and drawing?
- Express himself/herself verbally?
- Speak in complete sentences?
- Label or name things appropriately?
- Answer open-ended questions?
- Ask questions?
- Know the correct way to hold a pencil, crayon, scissors and work with them comfortably?
- Understand the ideas of sharing and taking turns?
- Cooperate?
- Take care of own toilet needs and wash hands without assistance?
- Know how to roll, throw and catch a ball? Also, run, hop, jump, swing and gallop?
- Have confidence to separate from a parent or caregiver and stay with another adult?
- Respect rights and belongings of others?
- Recognize his/her own name?
- Write his/her own name?



Parents are their child's first and most important teacher and are the best judge of their child's readiness. They may choose to give their child "the gift of time" to grow and mature both socially and academically.

Kindergarten Curriculum

English/Language Arts

Your child will develop fundamental skills that will prepare him or her for later learning in language arts. Phonemic awareness is the ability to understand that a word is made up of a sequence of speech sounds paired with the ability to manipulate those sounds. It is the most essential element of language arts instruction in kindergarten. Students will learn the letters of the alphabet and will match letters with their associated sounds. Vocabulary will be developed through direct instruction in specific concepts. Books will be read daily to the students in order to help them identify and use comprehension strategies. Students will learn to write letters, words, and beginning stories.



The English/Language Arts curriculum addresses the following California State Standards:

- Word analysis, fluency and vocabulary development
- Reading comprehension
- Literary response
- Writing
- Written and oral language
- Listening and speaking
- Speaking applications

Mathematics

Your child will understand small numbers, quantities and simple shapes in his or her everyday environment. The students will count, compare, describe and sort objects, and develop a sense of properties and patterns.

The Mathematics curriculum addresses the following California State Standards:

- Number sense
- Algebra and functions
- Measurement and geometry
- Statistics, data analysis and probability
- Mathematical reasoning

Science

Your child will learn that scientific progress is made by asking meaningful questions and conducting careful investigations. To understand this concept and to address the content standards, your child will develop his or her own questions and perform investigations.

The Science curriculum addresses the following California State Standards:

- Life science
- Earth science
- Physical science

History—Social Science

Your child will be introduced to the concepts of courage, self-control, justice, heroism, leadership, deliberation, and individual responsibility. The concept of civic behavior is reinforced through empathy for how people lived and worked long ago, and through following rules and respecting the rights of others.

The History—Social Science curriculum addresses the following California State Standards:

- Attributes of good citizenship
- Geography and economics of the school and its surroundings
- Awareness of the past



OVSD Kindergarten Options

During the 2011-2012 school year, Ocean View will offer three kindergarten options to meet the individual needs of our young students. Instruction in all kindergarten classes is based upon the California Kindergarten Content Standards. Each of the three programs is staffed by California credentialed teachers and meets or exceeds the minimum number of state-required minutes for kindergarten. Placement in a specific program is based on criteria designed to help determine the most appropriate educational setting for each child.

Traditional Day Kindergarten

Available at all elementary sites, the Traditional Day Kindergarten program operates for three hours, twenty minutes with both morning and afternoon sessions available. The traditional program provides a structured learning environment that allows for both large and small group formal, and informal instructional time. In addition, children learn to work well both independently and with others in a variety of settings and to make good use of their time.

Full-Day Kindergarten

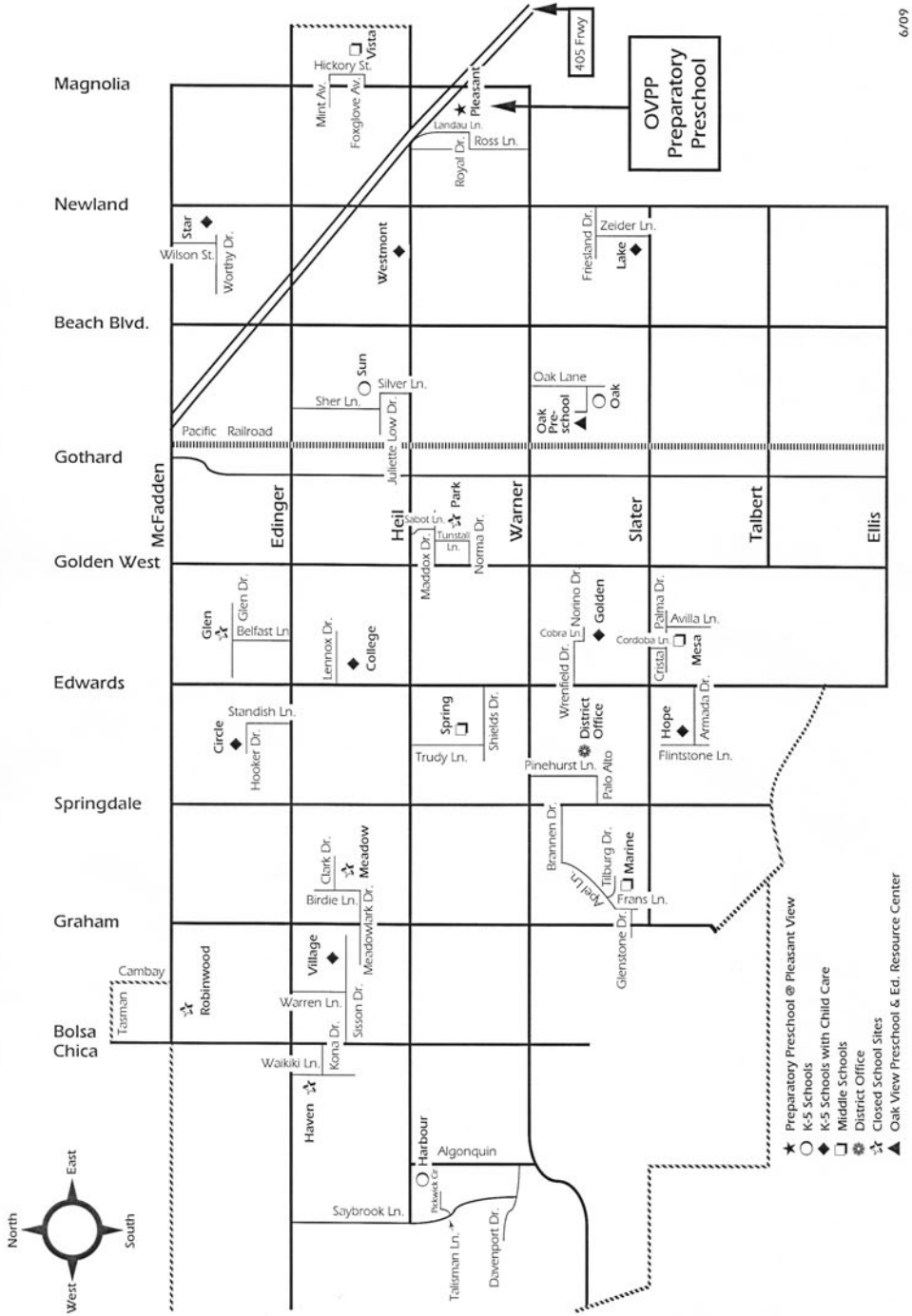
Available at all sites, the Full-Day-K option follows the primary schedule of five hours, fifty minutes (M-T-TH-F) and four hours, twenty minutes on Wednesday, the OVSD modified day.

PREPPIE K

Ocean View is pleased to offer PREPPIE Kindergarten as an option for children who have birthdays during the second half of the year and may not yet be ready for a more structured academic setting. This popular program, now offered at six of our eleven elementary sites, follows the same three-hour, twenty-minute schedule as the Traditional Kindergarten. PREPPIE offers children the opportunity to access the rigorous kindergarten standards over a two-year period. Children benefit from “the gift of time” by moving through the curriculum at a pace that allows for extensive practice of new concepts. Instruction focuses on the development of prereading and math skills. Younger children are also offered the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of interactive learning experiences to assist in the development of positive social /emotional skills.

District Map

OCEAN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT



School Directory

K – 5 SCHOOLS	ADDRESS	PHONE
Circle View Principal: Kathleen Jaquin.	6261 Hooker Drive Huntington Beach, CA 92647	893 - 5035
College View Principal: Kristine White, Ed.D.	6582 Lennox Drive Huntington Beach, CA 92647	847 - 3505
Golden View Principal: Elaine Burney	17251 Golden View Lane Huntington Beach, CA 92647	847 - 2516
Harbour View Principal: Cindy Osterhout	4343 Pickwick Circle Huntington Beach, CA 92649	846 - 6602
Hope View Principal: Kathy Smith	17622 Flintstone Lane Huntington Beach, CA 92647	847 - 8571
Lake View Principal: Anna Dreifus	17451 Zeider Lane Huntington Beach, CA 92647	842 - 2589
Oak View Principal: Joyce Horowitz	17241 Oak Lane Huntington Beach, CA 92647	842 - 4459
Star View Principal: Pauline Tressler, Ed.D.	8411 Worthy Drive Midway City, CA 92655	897 - 1009
Sun View Principal: Kristi Hickman	7721 Juliette Low Drive Huntington Beach, CA 92647	847 - 9643
Village View Principal: Jodi Novy	5361 Sisson Drive Huntington Beach, CA 92649	846 - 2801
Westmont Principal: Carol Parish	8251 Heil Avenue Westminster, CA 92683	847 - 3561
* Oak View Preschool Coordinator: Claudine Dumais, Ed.D.	17131 Emerald Lane Huntington Beach, CA 92647	843 - 6938
* Ocean View Preparatory Preschool Principal: Paul James	16692 Landau Lane Huntington Beach, CA 92647	845 - 5000
6 – 8 SCHOOLS	ADDRESS	PHONE
Marine View Middle School Principal: Roni Ellis	5682 Tilburg Drive Huntington Beach, CA 92649	846 - 0624
Mesa View Middle School Principal: Leona Olson	17601 Avilla Lane Huntington Beach, CA 92647	842 - 6608
Spring View Middle School Principal: Jason Blade	16662 Trudy Lane Huntington Beach, CA 92647	846 - 2891
Vista View Middle School Principal: Robert Miller	16250 Hickory Street Fountain Valley, CA 92708	842 - 0626

Kindergarten Registration Notes

Important Information About Your Child's School

School: _____

Phone number: _____

The principal: _____

Hours of the school day: _____

Child Care & After-school program (offerings, cost, hours): _____

Parental involvement: _____

Transportation: _____

Other: _____



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Ocean View School District Distinctions

2 National Blue Ribbon Schools

Circle View School
Marine View Middle School

13 California Distinguished Schools

Circle View School
College View School
Golden View School
Harbour View School
Hope View School
Marine View Middle School
Mesa View Middle School
Oak View School
Spring View Middle School
Star View School
Village View School
Vista View Middle School
Westmont School

CalSTAT Model Literacy/Leadership Award Sites

Marine View Middle School
Mesa View Middle School
Vista View Middle School

Federal Title I Academic Achievement Winners

Lake View School
Oak View School
Sun View School
Westmont School

Golden Bell Award Winners

Golden View School
Oak Preschool
Oak View School
Westmont School

NASA Explorer Program School

Lake View School