St. James Elementary Kindergarten Orientation Program

The St. James Elementary PTA is happy to announce our Kindergarten Orientation Program for all children entering kindergarten at St. James Elementary in September, 2023. Parents drop off and pick up their children at the Main Entrance near the Old Gym. We will offer a choice of two sessions as follows:

Session I: Mondays – 3/13, 3.20, 3/27 Time: 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Session II: Tuesdays – 3/14, 3/21, 3/28 Time: 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

The orientation program is designed to help children become acquainted with their new school. Through three weeks of classroom activities and socialization, we hope to make the transition to school in September a positive and happy experience!

In addition, there will be a Bus Ride & Parent Orientation on May 9th.

Bus Ride/Parent Orientation: Tuesday, May 9th – See times below: (Session A: 10:15 a.m. Bus Ride and Parent Orientation) (Session B: 11:30 a.m. Bus Ride and Parent Orientation)

The Bus Ride & Parent Orientation will provide parents and guardians with a general overview of the kindergarten experience. This is the only day that adults will stay during the orientation program. All other dates are drop off. Parents or guardians will meet with the St. James staff in the Old Gym as the children take a bus ride around the neighborhood. Children typically anticipate and enjoy this "magic school bus" ride. Even if your child is unable to attend the first three dates of the Kindergarten Orientation Program, you may want to register for the bus ride.

Registration for the orientation program and bus ride session will take place online at the link below.

Please note: your child will attend only one three-week session as well as one bus ride session.

Sessions are limited in size and registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Beginning February 1st, you may register by <u>clicking here</u>.

The Kindergarten Orientation Program is open to children who live within the borders of St. James Elementary and are registered for kindergarten in September 2023. *If your child has not yet been registered for kindergarten, please contact the Smithtown Central School District prior to registering for the Kindergarten Orientation Program.*

We look forward to meeting you! If you have any questions we can answer before registration, please feel free to contact us.

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