



Dear Parents and Preschoolers,

Welcome to Preschool! We are waiting anxiously to have you all in class. We have a lot of fun things planned for this year and can't wait to start. The first day of school is still yet to be determined, but you will receive an email with the date. Please keep in mind we are unsure at this time if preschool will be a half day for the first week.

Preschool will be dismissed at 2:15 by the back entrance of the school on Pearce Street. Children will need a morning snack and drink, and an afternoon lunch if you have not ordered one from the school. I am unaware if we have any peanut allergies, so as a precaution my classroom will be peanut free until no allergies have been confirmed. (No peanut butter crackers, Pb&j sandwiches, ect)

There will be no outside supervision in the morning. The day begins at 8:00 am and you may begin to drop off your children at 7:45. If this changes you will be notified. Preschool will enter and exit by the Pearce St entrance (the back of the school). If you arrive after 8:00 am, dismiss your child early, or are late picking up your child you must use the main school entrance on President Avenue: Please have children arrive ontime, if they are tardy they may miss some of the morning curriculum and it can be distracting for the other children.

Children are required to wear a school uniform. I have attached the school uniform policy on the last page.

Please bring your child's school supplies on the first day of school if possible. Please label all the supplies except the glue sticks, glue bottles, and expo markers.

Parents are not allowed into the building unless you are conducting business with the office or Mr.Flanagan. You must enter by the main entrance located on President Ave to do this. We are hoping to be able to have parents volunteer for special occasions, but we are unsure if we are able to because regulations keep changing. Please contact Mrs.Chippendale for a CORI form. Her email is [jchippendale@hnsfr.org](mailto:jchippendale@hnsfr.org) You will absolutely not be able to volunteer unless you have a completed CORI check.

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Children must be potty trained in order to attend Holy Name preschool. Please note that wearing pull-ups isn't considered being potty trained. Children must be able to use the toilet without a potty seat or step stool. Our classroom bathroom is low to the ground and has a built-in potty seat.

Why can't a teacher assist a student in the bathroom? There are strict standards for assisting children in the bathroom. When an adult is busy assisting a child with soiled clothing, it is taking away from learning time for all students and it removes one adult from the direct supervision of and interaction with the rest of the class. We do understand that even potty trained children will occasionally have toileting accidents. By definition, "accidents" are unusual incidents and should happen infrequently. In these instances, the teachers will encourage independence as much as possible, but we are not allowed to help them change their clothes. If your child is unable to change their clothes you will receive a phone call to pick them up.

A potty trained child is a child who can do the following:

1. Communicate to the teachers that he/she needs to go to the restroom before they need to go.
2. Alert him/herself to stop what he/she is doing, to go and use the bathroom.
3. Pull down his/her clothes and get them back up without assistance.
4. Wipe him/herself after using the toilet. (With bowel movements as well as urine)
5. Get on/off the toilet by him/herself.
6. Wash and dry hands.
7. Postpone going if they must wait for someone who is in the bathroom or if we are away from the classroom.
8. Awaken during nap time should they need to use the bathroom.

We certainly will ask your child and offer the opportunity to use the bathroom multiple times throughout the day. The opportunity to use the bathroom is included in rest time preparation as well as any transitions away from the classroom. Children must be able to complete toileting activities independently. This is an issue which protects all concerned. It is not uncommon for a child who is fully toilet trained to have a setback when he/she is in a new environment.

If you have any questions, please email me [sbarreira@hnsfr.org](mailto:sbarreira@hnsfr.org) or Mrs.Coelho [acoelho@hnsfr.org](mailto:acoelho@hnsfr.org). Thank you for entrusting us with your children. We look forward to your help and support throughout the school year. God Bless!

Mrs.Barreira & Mrs. Coelho

# School Supply List



- o Backpack (no wheels)
- o Lunch box (please write your child's name in it)
- o Nap mat ( see picture for referance)
  - No stuffies or lovies please this is a privilege we earn later on in the year
- o 1 Spare Uniform (shirt, pants, socks, and underwear)
  - Please put in a labeled ziplock bag.
- o 2 -plastic folders
- o 1-primary regular composition notebook
- o 1- 24 pack of regular size Crayola crayons (other brands melt when we laminate them)
- o 12 pk of colored pencils-Crayola work best
  - Regular colors, no neon, no pastel
- o 1 simple zippered pencil pouch
  - These items can be found for \$1.00 at The Dollar Tree or Walmart. (no monster or hard cases)
- o 6-Small Elmer's Glue Sticks
- o 1 bottle of Elmer's Glue 4 oz size (only white)
- o 1-package of thin dry erase expo markers-fine tip black only
- o 1 individual picture of student
- o 1 family photo

We understand the following items may be hard to come by given the circumstances that are going on in the world. Do not worry if you can not have these items by the first day of school. We would appreciate it if you would still bring them later on in the school year.

- o 2 rolls paper towels
- o 1 package lysol wipes
- o 2 packages of tissues
- o hand sanitizer
- o 1 package of baby wipes



# SCHOOL UNIFORMS

## PRE-KINDERGARTEN UNIFORM REQUIREMENT

All Pre-Kindergarten students are required to wear the authorized Holy Name School gym uniform every day, except for scheduled "Birthday Dress-Up" days noted on the school's monthly calendar.

## SCHOOL GYM UNIFORM REQUIREMENT

If a student is going to be out of uniform, a note from a parent/guardian explaining why is required, unless it is a birthday or school dress down day.

All Holy Name school students, male or female, have the same gym uniform requirement:

- A navy blue short or long sleeved crewneck tee shirt with the school emblem
  - No other shirt should be seen under the uniform shirt
- Navy blue sweat shorts or long sweat pants with the school emblem
  - Gym pants are to worn at the waistline and not on the hips
  - Pants should not hang down and drag under the sneaker
- Sneakers (no light up shoes) and solid white, navy or black socks

## SCHOOL DRESS UNIFORM RESTRICTIONS (APPLIES TO ALL GRADES) Restrictions:

- No fad hairstyles
- No primary colored hair or streaks
- No buzzed designs
- No hair covering eyes
- No hair touching shoulders for boys (ethnic exceptions)
- No Gel or Press-on Nails
- No makeup
- No cologne, perfume or body spray
- No boots
  - During inclement weather, boots may be worn to and from school; however, uniform shoes are required during school.
- No smart watches



Adornments -No additional adornments to the uniform will be allowed with the exception of the following:

- Clear nail polish for girls only
- Small stud earrings for girls only
- One religious bracelet and/or necklace (may be told to put away if it becomes a distraction)
- One charitable cause bracelet (may be told to put away if it becomes a distraction)
- Girls are allowed to wear headbands – in school colors (yellow, navy blue, black or uniform plaid)