



Dear Peoria Unified Preschool Families,

Thank you for your patience as we have worked through all the details about what preschool will look like during these complicated times. Please know that our first concern is for the safety of your child and our staff.

Preschool will begin on August 17 with daily (based on your child's program's days) virtual lessons with the teacher and small groups of children. There will be no fees charged for August. Preschool students will return in person on Tuesday, September 8 with reduced class sizes and a modified schedule in order to observe social distancing. The maximum number of students in each class will be eight. This means that half the students in each class will attend Monday and Tuesday and the other half will attend Thursday and Friday. Students will not attend preschool on Wednesday as that is the day our district will do a deep clean of the campus mid-week in addition to our daily cleaning practices. The teacher will let you know which days your child will attend.

This schedule will be in place until Wednesday, Sept. 30. The current plan is to return to full in-person classes on Thursday, Oct. 1. Fees will be adjusted for September to reflect the modified schedule.

Adults and students will be expected to wear masks while on campus, however we understand that some of our preschoolers will have difficulty adjusting to that. During drop-off, while you may walk your child to the door, the preschool classroom is our safety bubble and no family members will be allowed to enter the classroom. Parents will be allowed to walk their preschool children to classrooms every day. As always in preschool, students will wash their hands as soon as they get into the classroom. Toys will be divided so the AM group and PM group have separate toys. Each student will be provided with an individual art box with their own glue stick, crayons, and scissors.

You will be hearing from your child's teacher the week of August 3rd and they will have many more details for you.

If you have questions or concerns please send an email to [preschool@pusd11.net](mailto:preschool@pusd11.net). We will not respond to each individual email, but will take all comments into consideration.

Thank you,

Peoria Unified's Preschool Department