

BACK TO SCHOOL LETTER

Dear Parent,

Welcome to **First Friends Preschool at First Baptist Church**. This is the place where your child will learn how to make friends, be a friend and develop long lasting relationships with their peers. Playing with friends is an important way for young children to learn social skills such as cooperating, not hurting each other's feelings and waiting their turn. It is such a blessing to watch them form friendships that may very well last a lifetime!

The **\$100.00/\$75.00 Registration Fee/Back to School Supply Fee/Parent Card Fee** will secure your child's spot in our Preschool Program.

In January, a **\$75.00 Supply Fee** will be due for the second semester. Please send in with your child's tuition.

If your plans change over the summer and your child will not be attending in the fall, please notify me as soon as possible. Often times we have a waiting list for our classes. We ask that if you need to cancel your child's spot you do so by August 1st. Thank you for your cooperation.

I want to share some important information and dates with you about the 2019-2020 school year:

******"Back to School Night" - Parent Orientation**

Date - Thursday, August 29th at 6:30 pm

During this meeting in the sanctuary, parents/guardians of registered preschool children will be receiving important information about the upcoming school year. If possible, we would appreciate this being an "adult" only meeting. A Parent Packet will be given to you with important papers for you to fill out to keep your child healthy, happy and safe at Preschool. A Parent Handbook will be included in the packet for you to read to become more familiar with our policies and procedures. Please remember, the more informed you are about First Friends Preschool, the more comfortable you will be sending your child here.

After this short meeting you will be given the opportunity to visit your child's classroom and meet his/her teacher. At this time your child's teacher will provide you with important classroom information. The **Snack Fee** MUST be paid by the first day of school. Cash is appreciated, please put it in an envelope with your child's name on it and give to your child's teacher.

If you cannot attend this important parent meeting please get in touch with me so you can receive your Parent Packet.

******"Back to School Morning" - Children's Open House**

Date - Friday, August 30th from 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Feel free to stop by anytime during the morning hours! This opportunity allows your child to meet his/her teacher and become familiar with their classroom and First Friends Preschool. We ask that you spend about an hour or less in the classroom and then move on to get the "Scavenger Hunt" paper which is a fun way to learn your way around First Baptist Church. Parents need to stay with their child during the Open House. Thank you for your cooperation. The Ice Cream Truck will be outside in the church parking lot if you want to purchase a little treat for your Preschool child when you leave!

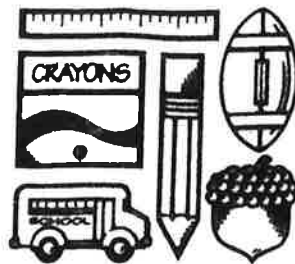
In closing, I want to thank you for choosing First Friends Preschool and sharing your child with us. We have created a wonderful early childhood environment for your child to express themselves, experience a variety of activities, begin to learn about the world, and develop their "FIRST FRIENDS!" A great school year lies ahead!

Please keep this letter!! No other information will be sent to you during the summer months.

Caring for God's precious children,



Gina Dorsett/Preschool Director
812-877-2354 or gdorsett@thfbc.org



Don't forget - A copy of your child's **birth certificate and immunization record** must be on file **2 weeks** following the date of your child's registration. Your child **cannot** start Preschool without these important documents being on file. You are welcome to drop them by the church anytime. Just take it to the main office if I am not here.

***If you prefer you can mail it to First Baptist Church 4701 Poplar Street Terre Haute, IN 47803. Attention: Gina Dorsett OR Fax it to the church - 812-877-9622 Please **DO NOT** email these important documents to me.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR CHILD:

- *SUMMER PARENTS TIME OUT - 8 WEEK SESSION held on Tuesdays from 9-1 pm
 - *SUMMER AT THE SCHOOLHOUSE - Preschool Morning Camp - held for 1 week from 9-Noon
- MORE INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND IN THE REGISTRATION PACKET!

THE FIRST DAY OF PRESCHOOL IS THE DAY AFTER LABOR DAY - Sept. 3RD OR 4TH
Due to Labor Day being on Monday, Parents Time Out will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 4TH

Be sure to send your child with a backpack, lunch (if needed) and a change of clothes in a zip lock bag. Please pay September tuition on the first day of school using the tuition envelopes that will be in your Parent Packet. Please **DO NOT** include the snack fee with your tuition payment, it needs to be paid separately.

