

October 2023



UP COMING EVENTS

- 9 School closed for teacher in-service day
- 12 3's field trip to Valley Fruits and Veggies 9:30 start time
- 18 First Lunch Bunch (drop off at 11:35 at the Grove)
- 18 Open House 6:00-7:30 pm (drop in event)
- 23 Wear orange day for 3's and PreK
- 24 Wear orange day for 4's
- 25 Vision screening 4's and PreK
- 26 Vision screening 3's
- 30 Halloween Parade for 4's
- 31 Halloween Parade for 3's and PreK

LUNCH BUNCH

We will begin holding Lunch Bunch for the PreK class this month. We had hoped to be able to start with the 4's this month as well, but they are still having difficulties with transitions and following directions, so we will wait until November. The three-year-old class will have a Stay and Play later in the year. A Sign-Up Genius will be emailed out the week before the scheduled Lunch Bunch which is filled on a first come, first served basis, and is limited to 18 students when held outdoors and 15 when held indoors.

The cost for each Lunch Bunch is \$15, we will send you an invoice through Brightwheel once you sign up. Lunch Bunch will take place in the Grove unless the weather is bad, then we will meet indoors at the preschool basement door. **PreK students will be dropped off directly at the Grove at 11:35; parents will walk their child to check-in.**

DUE TO STUDENT FOOD ALLERGIES, NO PEANUT OR TREE NUT ITEMS, THIS INCLUDES BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO: PEANUT BUTTER, CHOPPED OR WHOLE NUTS, NUTELLA, BAKED GOODS, GRANOLA AND CANDY BARS WITH NUTS. Any of the above items sent in will be removed from the child and sent home. Students who continue to send in peanut/tree nut items may be disqualified from attending future lunch bunch sessions.

FIRE DRILLS

We started fire drills last week for the 4's and PreK classes, and will continue with the 3's this week.

VISION SCREENING

We will again be partnering with Sights for Hope to offer free vision screenings this month. Screenings take less than 10 seconds and are non-contact. Forms will go home in folders next week. Your child will automatically be screened unless you return the opt out form.

HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES

Each class will be holding Halloween Parades. For this day

- Families should form groups along the sidewalk going around the building towards 873. Please keep your groups on the roadside of the sidewalk.
- Classes will exit from the basement door and parade around to the double doors.
- Before entering the building at the end of the parade, classes will sing a Halloween song or two. We have several students who may not be photographed for social media, if you do take photos or videos that include children other than your own, please do not share them online.

HALLOWEEN COSTUMES

- No weapons of any kind: guns, swords, lightsabers, etc...
- No full face masks, save these for trick or treating
- Make sure the costume still allows for easy walking and climbing of stairs
- Children will change out of costumes following the parade, please send in a change of clothes.
- Send in a small bag/container for trick-or-treating in our building-**please label with child's name.**

ANY COSTUME THAT DOES NOT MEET THE ABOVE CRITERIA WILL BE REMOVED PRIOR TO THE PARADE.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

Pennsylvania requires all volunteers to have a copy of clearances on file in the school before volunteering at school events. A tutorial on how to complete this paperwork is located on our website: <https://www.neffsuccpreschool.org/volunteer-clearance-forms.html> Our first opportunity to volunteer will be coming in October, please submit any forms if you are interested. Clearances are valid for 5 years, if you have them from work or other schools, you may submit a copy.

DISMISSAL

Please be sure to share our drop off and pick up procedures to anyone who may be transporting your child to and from school. Let them know that when we use the main entrance, drivers stay **inside** their vehicles and that the preschool staff will remove students from the car and place them back in at the end of the day. Parents/guardians should remain in their car and then safely pull into a parking spot

before getting out to fasten car seats. We have had people try to get out and buckle children in while in line, this holds up the cars behind you.

In October we will begin dismissing from the Grove on days we end with outside play. On these days you will receive a Remind text from your teacher letting you know to pick up there. Please park in a parking space and form a single file line at your teacher's designated area. Students will be dismissed one at a time and we will scan the Brightwheel App. The classroom Remind Code for each class can be found in your teacher's newsletter.

CARBON-LEHIGH INTERMEDIATE UNIT SERVICES

CLIU 21 provides speech therapy, occupational therapy, and special education services to families in our school free of charge during regular preschool hours. If you have any concerns about your child's development, or even if they could use a little boost, please talk with the director or your child's teacher or contact CLIU 21. The wait time to receive services gets very long as the school year progresses, the early you inquire about services the better.

CLIU 21
Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21
4210 Independence Drive
Schnecksville, PA 18078
www.cliu.org

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