

## New Family Checklist

Questions? Email [welcome@sunnysidek5.org](mailto:welcome@sunnysidek5.org)

### Enrollment/Registration:

- ❖ Enroll in person at Sunnyside during the registration period once you have received confirmation of placement from SFUSD.
- ❖ Complete and turn in your child's medical and immunization forms before the first day of school. By law, children who are not immunized (except for legal exemptions) cannot attend school. If you have questions about these or other school forms, please contact the school office at 415-469-4746 or [sch842@sfusd.edu](mailto:sch842@sfusd.edu).
- ❖ Register for on-site before/aftercare as soon you know that you will need care. If you receive your school assignment after the academic year begins, the YMCA-run aftercare program is typically able to accommodate new families.
  - More information can be found on our website: <https://www.sunnysidek5.org/aftercare.html>
  - Other questions about aftercare? Please email [SunnysideAfterschoolProgram@gmail.com](mailto:SunnysideAfterschoolProgram@gmail.com)

### Important Orientation Dates for New Families:

- ❖ June and July: The Sunnyside PTA hosts two summer playdates for incoming Kindergarten families. All events are at 10 a.m. at Sunnyside Playground—not the school but the park at Foerster and Melrose, across Monterey Blvd. Dates will be communicated to new families by late spring.
- ❖ Friday before school starts: Incoming Kindergarten families will have a Practice 1st Day of School from 8:30–9:30 a.m. Kindergartners will be introduced to their teacher and classroom, while parents meet with the principal. If you can't attend, please contact the school office at 415-469-4746 or [sch842@sfusd.edu](mailto:sch842@sfusd.edu).
- ❖ Sunday before school starts: Come to a schoolwide (K-5) back-to-school picnic at Balboa Park at 10 a.m.
- ❖ First Day of School:
  - Morning Circle - 8:40 a.m. Please plan to allow extra time for parking to accompany your child on the blacktop for the first Morning Circle of the year. The schoolyard opens at 8:20 a.m.
  - Welcome Coffee - 8:50 a.m. After children go into their classrooms, join us in the auditorium for coffee with the principal, aftercare providers, and other Sunnyside families.

### After the School Year Begins:

- ❖ Prepare for your child to attend at least the first 3 days of school. You could lose your spot at Sunnyside if your child does not attend all 3 days.
- ❖ Information about activating your account on our school's communication platform, ParentSquare, will be provided once the school year begins. This app- and web-based platform enables communication with your teacher and the wider

Sunnyside community through direct messaging, community posts, picture sharing, and activity sign-ups.

- ❖ If you are interested in purchasing school lunch, you will be able to create a school lunch account online at <https://www.schoolcafe.com>. Your child's student ID/HOA number will be needed to do so; find that number on your SFUSD enrollment letter.
- ❖ Plan on attending Back to School Night and the first General PTA meeting in September. Once you've started school, you'll have access to a calendar on ParentSquare that lists all Sunnyside community events.
- ❖ Please note that rolling drop-off using the car Drop Zone on Hearst Ave. is not available for Kindergartners until January, so plan to walk your child onto the blacktop during the fall months. Parent attendance is welcome, although not required, at the daily Morning Circle.