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Meet the Teachers:

Jennifer Morlok (Lead Teacher): I came into teaching later in life and I am loving every minute of it. I attended Saint Mary's College for my undergraduate degree and I have taken many continuing education courses in speech and language...a huge component of these early years! I have lived in Columbus for 20 years and am happy to call it my home. I am married and have two daughters attending Columbus North this year. This will be my fifth year teaching Pre-K and I am very excited to have a great team assembled for this year.

April Niebrugge (Teaching Assistant): This will be Mrs. Niebrugge's second year teaching in Pre-K. April lives in Columbus with her husband. She has one daughter at Purdue University and one daughter who is a senior at Columbus North. **Ciera Boyd (Teaching Assistant):** Mrs. Boyd is beginning her third year at Parkside. She has an associates degree in early childhood education as well as a CDA license.

Diane Winters (Special Education Teaching Assistant): This is Diane's second year teaching at Parkside but her first year in our room. She does an outstanding job helping to meet the needs of our special education students. We are thrilled to have her in our room this year.

Cafeteria Funds:

If your child will be eating breakfast and/or lunch in the cafeteria, please either send in money with your child for these meals OR send in a completed application for free and reduced meals. This paperwork is included in your gold Parkside folder.

Car Riders:

Morning: Car line takes place on the <u>west side</u> of the building. If your Pre-K student has an older sibling who attends Parkside, he or she may be dropped off in this line as well. Please pull forward along the curb until you reach the teachers who are waiting to assist your child from the vehicle. Do not wait along the yellow portion of the curb. If there is a bus unloading students, please wait behind the bus and pull forward once the bus leaves the curb. Please arrive between 7:50 and 8:05. If you arrive after 8:05 you will need to walk your student in through the front office.

Afternoon: Pre-K will also dismiss from the west side of the building. Please pull up to the west side of the building by 2:30 so we can load your child into the car. If you arrive after 2:45 you will need to pick your student up in the front office. *You will need to provide photo identification for the first few days as we get to know faces. Please be patient as we negotiate car and bus traffic in this area. The safety of the students is our first priority.

<u>Green Bags</u> - Please make sure your child has his or her green bag every day. This is a well-recognized sign that your child is in Pre-K and is one of the ways we make sure the youngest children in our building are safe. Children will not be permitted to use a backpack. Also, please help us maintain the tag on this bag to ensure that their name, address and phone number are correct.

<u>Folders</u> - Please check folders nightly and return them to school the next day. Gold and White Parkside folders will go home once a week (Tuesday) with information from Parkside. Gold and Yellow folders go home daily with information specific to Pre-K. All correspondence from home should be placed <u>inside</u> these yellow folders. Please do not give notes or money to your child or place these items down inside the green bag.

<u>Payments</u> - Please send all payments in the appropriate envelope. Tuition money should be placed in the tuition envelope and cafeteria funds should be placed in an envelope labeled with your child's name and marked "Cafeteria."

<u>Volunteer</u> - Please complete a background check at the beginning of the year so that we can have you volunteer for class fieldtrips or other classroom experiences.

<u>Clothing</u> - **All students should wear gym shoes to school each day!** Please help us with this as the students need these each day to stay safe at school. Please send students to school in clothing appropriate for the weather and bring coats, hats, and gloves as the weather begins to change. We will have recess outside as long as the wind chill is above 20 degrees. <u>Blanket</u> - Please send a small blanket labeled with your child's name.

Donate - See Suggested School Supply List or Sign Up Genius Link

<u>Communication</u> - I can be reached at the above e-mail or phone number for any questions or concerns. We will also utilize "Remind" to facilitate parent communication. This service allows for texting between parents and teachers and can be a convenient way to share information. To sign up: visit www.remind.com/join/morlokpre OR text @morlokpre to 81010

Student Information																	

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	Home School:								
	Date Of Birth:								
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	Emergency Contact (other than parents):								
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2	Nutritional Restrictions:								
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	ing animals such as worms, chicks, reptiles and fa	irm animals. No sti	udent will be forced to in-						
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	experience for the students. I give my permission with animals in this way throughout the course of								
	Parent/Guardian Signature:	• ·							
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Student Transportation							
Student Name:							
Persons Authorized to Pick Up Student:							
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Name:	Name:						
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Morning Transportation FIRST DAY: Bus / Bus # Car RiderWalkerBefore Care							
Morning Transportation NORMAL: Bus / Bus # Car Rider	Walker Before Care						
Afternoon Transportation FIRST DAY: Please choose only one choice below. Choose the transportation that your child will use unless you send a note. Bus / Bus # Car Rider Walker After Care							
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Getting to Know Your Child

Student Name: _

What is the primary language spoken in your home? ______ Are there other languages that are sometimes spoken in the home? (Please list)

We celebrate families in all their many shapes, sizes and situations. We know families can be complicated but we value all the relationships your child has in their lives. We discuss families frequently and it helps us to have an idea of their family situation. Please help us to understand the important people in your child's life including step families, foster situations, etc. (use back of paper if needed):

What activities does your child enjoy? _____

What activities	does yo	our child	dislike?
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What is one of your child's favorite books? _

Do you have any special concerns about your child? (academically, socially, medically, etc.)

What is one thing about your child that makes you especially proud of him or her?

Mrs. Morlok Pre-Kindergarten Suggested School Supply Donations

Crayola Washable "Fine Line" Markers (Not "Super Tips") 6 Elmer's Washable Glue Sticks (small size) 2 Containers Clorox Wipes 2 Boxes Tissues Laundry Detergent Super Glue Scotch Tape Masking Tape Wal-Mart Great Value 6in. Plain White Paper Plates

*All supplies are suggested donations and not required. All donations allow classroom funds to be utilized for classroom activities rather than basic supplies.

Thank you!