



FAQs

Question: What are the school office hours?

Answer: The school office is open Monday through Friday from 7:30am-4pm.

Question: Where can I get a copy of the lunch menu?

Answer: Click [here](#) for our Lunch Menu

Question: What is the best way to communicate with my child's teacher?

Answer: You can check with your child's teacher to see what is the best way to communicate with them (class dojo, Remind, email, phone, etc.) You can also call the school office at 562-789-7000 to be connected with the teacher's voicemail.

Question: How do I call in an absence for my child?

Answer: To call in an absence for your child, you can call the attendance line at 562-789-7007. Please leave a detailed message stating your child's name, your child's teacher, and the reason for the absence.

Question: Can I call the school nurse directly?

Answer: Yes, you can contact the school nurse between the hours of 9am-2:30pm. Please call her direct line at 562-789-7006.

Question: What happens when the weather gets too hot for the students to play outside?

Answer: When the temperature is above 90 degrees outside, we implement our Inclement Weather schedule. This schedule alerts staff that the students will be staying indoors during their recess and lunch times. PE and other outside activities will either be held inside their classrooms, or will be cancelled completely.

Question: What do you do when you would like to drop off lunch to your child?

Answer: We strongly encourage you to make arrangements with your child prior to dropping the lunch off to them. The office is unable to interrupt class time to call and let your child know that lunch is waiting. Our office staff will send an email to the teacher alerting them that your child's lunch is waiting in the office. When you drop off the lunch, please clearly label it with your child's name and teacher, as it will be placed on the counter with other lunches.

Question: What happens when I am late picking up my child?

Answer: After 2:45pm, students will be waiting in the office. You will need to come into the office to sign your child out.

On early release days (Tuesdays and/or Thursdays), students will be waiting in the office at 1:50pm.

Question: What happens if I am late dropping off my child at school?

Answer: If you are bringing your child late to school, students will line up at the office to be marked tardy by the office staff. If you are bringing your child later than 30 minutes or more, you will need to come into the office and sign your child in for the day.

Question: Where do I pick up my child after school when it is raining?

Answer: If it is raining at dismissal, Kindergarten and 1st grades will be inside the gates of the cafeteria and will be dismissed when teachers see the parents of the students. Grades 2-5 will be dismissed at the usual gates. The walking gate at the cafeteria will be open and the drive-through gate will be open for cars to pick up students.

Question: What do I need to enroll my child at Orchard Dale?

Answer: To enroll your child at Orchard Dale, you will need to complete the online enrollment by clicking [here](#). You will need to bring your child's original birth certificate, original shot records with their required school entry immunizations completed, and three utility bills for address verification to the office once you enroll online.

Question: I don't live in Orchard Dale's attendance area, is it still possible for my child to attend Orchard Dale?

Answer: Yes, it is still possible for your child to attend Orchard Dale. You need to apply for a permit. Permits are accepted based on grade level availability per board policy. Click [here](#) to access the permits applications online.

Question: Does Orchard Dale provide daycare?

Answer: No, Orchard Dale does not provide daycare. However, we do have a list of child care providers that many of our Wildcats use. The following are child care providers that serve Orchard Dale, yet we are in no way endorsing them. Please use your own discretion when choosing a childcare provider.

Skills Organization (Club OD)	Orchard Dale	562-325-5620
YMCA	Orchard Dale	562-942-7241
OPTIONS	Orchard Dale	562-777-9164