

# WELCOME

## TK Students and Parents!!!

August 5, 2019

Dear TK Students and Families;

We are so excited that you will be coming to McCabe School for transitional kindergarten! Your teacher is planning many fun and exciting things for you to do and learn this year.

We would like to invite you and your grown-up to come meet your teacher on:

**Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00a.m.**

We'll get to know each other while you look around the classroom and meet your new classmates.

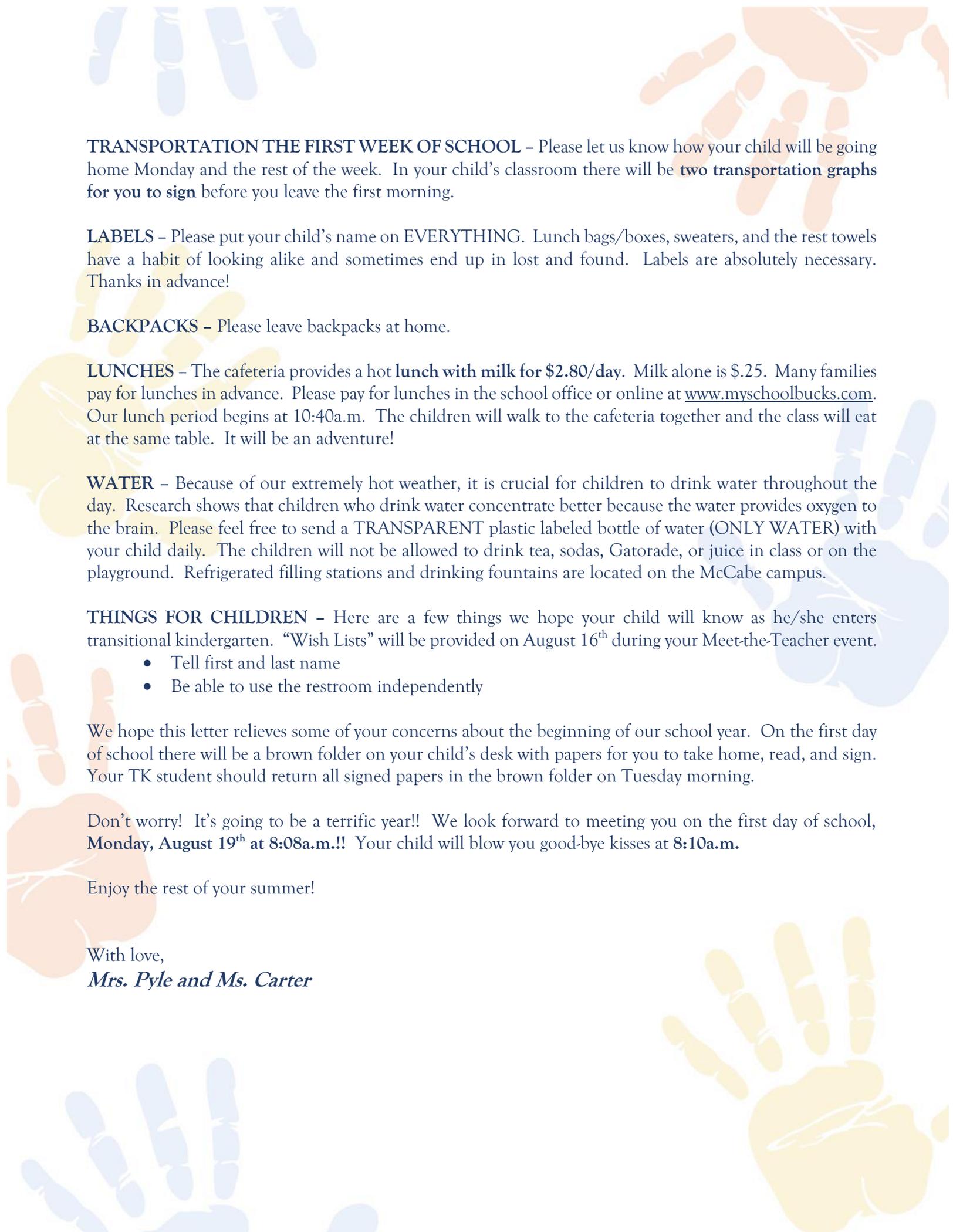
Here is a little information we hope will answer some of the questions you may have as you plan and prepare for the new school year:

**CLASS LISTS** – Please log into your ParentVUE account on **Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup> after 3:00p.m.** to acknowledge all first-day documentation and view your child's teacher. Maps will be posted on the big bulletin board across from the cafeteria to help find your child's classroom and restroom!

**BLUE NOTES** – Please send a note or call the office at (760) 352-5443 **BEFORE 11:00a.m.** advising the school that your child is going home in a way that is not the norm. The office will get a Blue Note to us letting us know of the change in plans.

**TRANSPORTATION HOME** – McCabe provides bus transportation for most district students. An adult **MUST** meet bus riders at the bus stop or the student will be returned to school. We must have a Blue Note from the office if your child is not going to ride the bus if he/she is a regular bus rider.

**CARLINE PICK-UP** – If you are picking your child up after school, he/she will meet you at 2:00p.m. at the green line under the blue shade in front of the school. Please follow the other cars through the circular carline driveway. It's a bit hectic at first, but we will practice as a class and the children get really accomplished at waiting and watching for you. The children feel really proud when they walk with their classmates to wait in line for their parents. We pretend it's valet service! As a safety precaution, all students are dismissed from the green car line, not from their classrooms. If you walk on campus to pick up your child, please wait in the shaded area by the front gate until your child is standing on the green line.



**TRANSPORTATION THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL** – Please let us know how your child will be going home Monday and the rest of the week. In your child’s classroom there will be **two transportation graphs for you to sign** before you leave the first morning.

**LABELS** – Please put your child’s name on EVERYTHING. Lunch bags/boxes, sweaters, and the rest towels have a habit of looking alike and sometimes end up in lost and found. Labels are absolutely necessary. Thanks in advance!

**BACKPACKS** – Please leave backpacks at home.

**LUNCHES** – The cafeteria provides a hot **lunch with milk for \$2.80/day**. Milk alone is \$.25. Many families pay for lunches in advance. Please pay for lunches in the school office or online at [www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com). Our lunch period begins at 10:40a.m. The children will walk to the cafeteria together and the class will eat at the same table. It will be an adventure!

**WATER** – Because of our extremely hot weather, it is crucial for children to drink water throughout the day. Research shows that children who drink water concentrate better because the water provides oxygen to the brain. Please feel free to send a TRANSPARENT plastic labeled bottle of water (ONLY WATER) with your child daily. The children will not be allowed to drink tea, sodas, Gatorade, or juice in class or on the playground. Refrigerated filling stations and drinking fountains are located on the McCabe campus.

**THINGS FOR CHILDREN** – Here are a few things we hope your child will know as he/she enters transitional kindergarten. “Wish Lists” will be provided on August 16<sup>th</sup> during your Meet-the-Teacher event.

- Tell first and last name
- Be able to use the restroom independently

We hope this letter relieves some of your concerns about the beginning of our school year. On the first day of school there will be a brown folder on your child’s desk with papers for you to take home, read, and sign. Your TK student should return all signed papers in the brown folder on Tuesday morning.

Don’t worry! It’s going to be a terrific year!! We look forward to meeting you on the first day of school, **Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:08a.m.!!** Your child will blow you good-bye kisses at **8:10a.m.**

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

With love,  
*Mrs. Pyle and Ms. Carter*