

September 10, 2019

Dear Transitional Kindergarten Parents,

As we begin this new school year our focus will be on developing the skills necessary for your child's successful transition into a full-day kindergarten program next year.

Starting on **Monday, September 16th** part of this preparation will involve bringing a snack and water bottle from home. This will allow the children to learn how to independently navigate food packaging, eat in a timely manner, clean up appropriately, and be responsible for their own belongings. These are all skills that will be needed for next year's snack and lunch experiences. In the event your child forgets a snack, we will provide a snack for them to eat. **Please be sure to label your child's water bottle and snack/lunch bag.**

The children will have approximately 10 minutes to navigate the snack process from start to finish. Many of the district's kindergarten classes allow 7-10 minutes, so we feel confident that this is an appropriate amount of time to devote to this process. I will help the children as needed, but mastery of these skills will make for a more successful Kindergarten experience.

It is important to note that Christ Clarion is a **nut-free school**. Sun butter (sunflower seed butter) and hummus are considered acceptable snacks, however.

Thank you for your cooperation in teaching the children these valuable skills.

Sincerely,  
Sarah Collins &  
Lisa Wrona