



Harker Welcome Night

Kindergarten Key Dates 2024

For quick reference, here are the most important dates for you to remember between now and the start of school. We're so pleased to have you in the Harker family!

Summer Dates	Date	Time	Location
Secrets to Success in Kindergarten - hosted by kindergarten teachers	Thurs., May 16	10:30-11:15 a.m.	Virtual
Parent Social for All New Parents (lower, middle, upper)	Tues., June 4	6:30 p.m.	Upper School Campus
Back-to-School Hub opens - All forms and information you need for the start of school are here!	Wed., June 5		Parent Portal, Back-to-School-Hub
Welcome Call from Harker Ambassador	Week of June 10		
Tuition Due	Sat., June 15		
Playdate at the Lower School	Sat., July 20	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Lower School Campus
Health (Magnus) records must be completed for all kindergartners	Thurs., Aug. 1		Parent Portal, "Magnus Medical Info" tile
After-School Program/BEST Sign-Up for Q1 Starts	Mon., Aug. 5/ Fri., Aug. 9	Open 12 p.m./Close 5 p.m.	Parent Portal

Back-to-School Dates	Date	Time	Location
Kindergarten Parent/Student Orientation and Welcome Dinner	Mon., Aug. 19	3-6:30 p.m.	Lower School Gym
First Day of School	Wed., Aug. 21		
K-5 Welcome Breakfast	Wed., Aug. 21	8-10 a.m.	Lower School Gym

All forms and information needed for the school year will be in Harker's handy Back-to-School Hub in the parent portal, which launches June 5.

Questions? Contact communications@harker.org and we can help!





SUPPLIES FOR FALL

We have asked the teachers to list the supplies they will require as school begins in the fall. **Students are encouraged to use backpacks, including those with wheels and pull handles. Large, suitcase type bags (including Züca) are not permitted, due to the storage space required, and the resulting congestion in the hallways.**

Backpack sizes:

K-Grade 2: limited in size to 17 inches high x 11 inches wide x 7 inches deep; no wheels

Grades 3-5: limited in size to 20 inches high x 12 inches wide x 10 inches deep.

Teachers will inform students on the first day of class about any additional supplies that will be needed. K-5 students should bring a backpack, along with any other required items, on the first day of school.

Kindergarten

- No supplies required – all are provided by school
- One **standard-size** backpack that must fit inside cubby

First Grade

- No supplies required – all are provided by school
- One **standard-size** backpack that must fit inside cubby

Second Grade

- No supplies required – all are provided by school
- One **standard-size** backpack that must fit inside cubby

Third Grade

- Third graders (only) will be provided a binder. Please do NOT purchase.
- Pencil pouch w/holes to fit into a 3-ring binder (no pencil boxes)
- One set (pkg) of dividers for 3-ring binder; pre-label them as follows: Math, Language Arts, Science, California History, Spanish, Other
- 12 plastic insert pages for assignment sheets
- Standard #2 pencils; **bring two sharpened every day**
- No mechanical pencils; no pens; no gel pens
- Shelving for locker (optional but helpful in maintaining an organized locker)

Fourth Grade

- One 2" binder (this binder must fit in desk)
Case-it brand with zipper is recommended
- Two packages of dividers with pockets
- pencil pouch with holes to fit into the binder
- regular pencils
- blue or black pens
- extra eraser
- ear buds

If students would like to carry a small book bag between classes, they may do so if the bag fits under their desk.

Fifth Grade

- One 2" binder (this binder must fit in a desk)
Case-it brand with zipper is recommended
- 3 packages of dividers with pockets
- one package of binder paper
- pencil pouch with holes to fit into the binder
- regular pencils
- blue or black pens
- extra eraser
- ear buds

If students would like to carry a small book bag between classes, they may do so if the bag fits under their desk.