

Morning Agenda

10 -10:25 a.m.

Indoor Play in Main Room

10:25 -10:40 a.m.

Indoor Play in Back Room

10:40-11:20 a.m.

Parent Orientation & Students Play Outside

11:20 - 11:30 a.m.

Dismissal; feel free to view the
STEM and Music & Movement classrooms

Welcome to Transitional Kindergarten!



Jennifer Gargano

Assistant Head of School, Academics



Debra Cope

Primary Division Head



The Team



Vincy Chan
Teacher



Alea Selburn
*Teacher / Music
Specialist*



Christine Thomas
*Teacher /
STEM Specialist*



Warren Volk
*TK Program
Coordinator*



Edward Kennedy
Teacher Assistant



Melody Nouralipour
*Teacher Assistant/
Art & Handwriting
Teacher*



Sholeh Talemi
Teacher Assistant

Welcome & Thank You!

- Thank you for letting us work with your children.
- Expectations: respectful behavior and effort
- Timely arrival to campus (8:30 a.m.)
- Absences (attendancetk@harker.org)

Communication

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All TK teachers: teachersTK@harker.org



Conferences: Parent Intake in August; Fall Conferences



Vincy Chan
TK Teacher

Important Dates

Thurs., Aug. 28

8:20 a.m. - 12 p.m.: Half Day of School for Students

1:30-3 p.m.: Remaining Student Intake Conferences with Parents

Fri., Aug. 29

8:20 a.m. - 12 p.m.: Half Day of School for Students

8 a.m.: On-Campus Coffee with Advancement

Mon., Sept. 1

Labor Day - No School

Tues., Sept. 2

8:20 a.m.: First Full Day of Classes

San Jose, CA 95117
Traffic Control

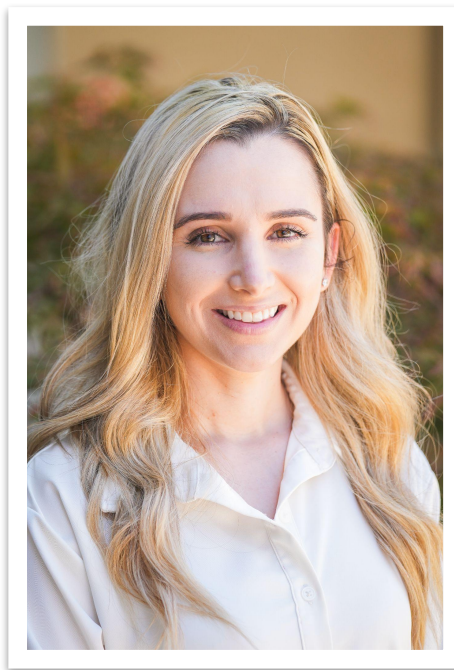
The diagram illustrates a school building layout with a playground on the left and a 'Welcome!' sign on the front. A dashed line indicates a route for a yellow school bus, showing a loop around the building and a turn. Red arrows indicate the flow of traffic, with 'IN' and 'OUT' signs at the bottom. A green sign with a star is also visible.

***Please don't forget
your placard.***

7-8:15 a.m.	Early Morning Care
8:15-8:40 a.m.	Student Arrival & Outdoor Play
8:40-9 a.m.	Morning Meeting
9-9:50 a.m.	Rotation 1: Language Arts, STEM or Art
9:50-10:40 a.m.	Rotation 2: Language Arts, STEM or Art
10:40-11:20 a.m.	Snack and Recess
11:20 a.m.-12:10 p.m.	Rotation 3: Language Arts, STEM or Art
12:10-12:50 p.m.	Lunch and Recess
12:50-1:35 p.m.	Rest Time
1:35-2:25 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Music/Language Arts Rotation (MT)● SEL (W)● Music/Math Lab (ThF)
2:25-3:10 p.m.	Snack and Recess
3:10-3:30 p.m.	Closing Circle
3:30-6 p.m.	Extended Care

Classroom Procedures

- Birthdays
- Clothing
- Dismissal procedures
- Friday Folders
- Homework policy
- Illness/injuries
- Meals
- Rest time
- Sunscreen



Christine Thomas
Teacher / STEM Specialist

What to Bring on First Day

- Backpack (large)
- Two sets of extra clothing including underwear, socks and one pair of shoes
- Water bottle
- Sun hat (optional)
- 4x6 Family photo

Please be sure to label your child's items.

SeeSaw

Seesaw Home Learning Codes will be emailed home individually, along with its uses and guidelines. It's one space for students to "show what they know" through photos, drawings and more!

This will be our main way of communicating with you as a group. Weekly newsletters and snack/lunch menus will be posted by Sunday.





Alea Selburn
Teacher / Music Specialist

Extended Care

- 7-8:15 a.m.: Early Care with Mrs. Nour
- 3:30-6 p.m.: Extended Care with Ms. Selburn, Mr. Kennedy & Ms. Sholeh; snack included
- These programs are included in your tuition!
- You may drop off/pick up any time during Early Care and Extended Care
- Make sure to respond to the Extended Care interest form - **thank you!**

Extended Care Pick-up

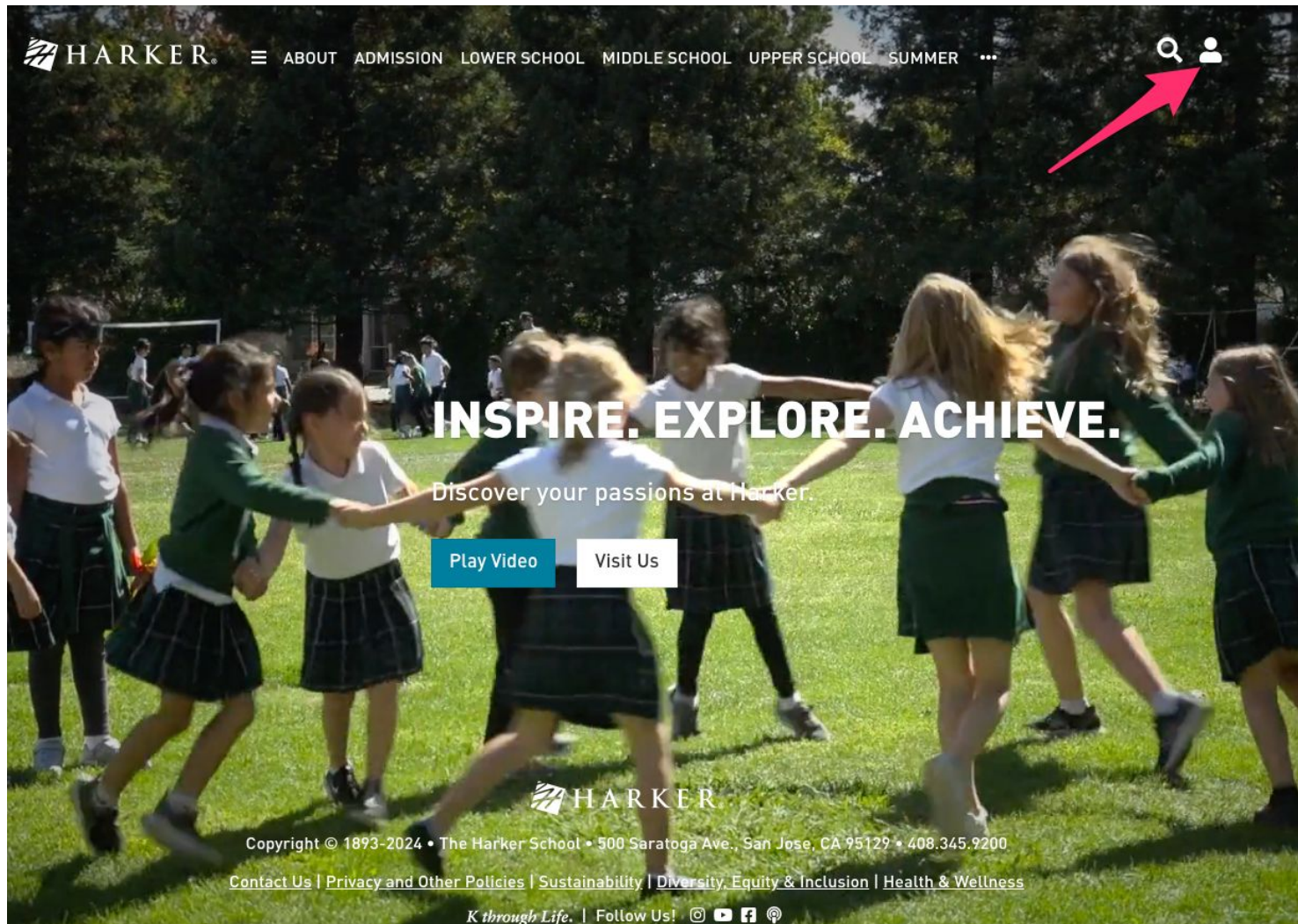
- Park your car and enter the building.
- Wear your lanyard and have the placard.
- If the gate is locked ring the bell.
- When picking up your child be mindful to gather your child and leave within 5 minutes.
- If you need to speak with a teacher, please email to schedule a time to talk.
- Be mindful of traffic when leaving the parking lot.

Lisa Diffenderfer

Learning, Innovation & Design Director, TK-12




Harker Parent Portal








Update Your Contact Info

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<div>Welcome, Lisa. This is your parent portal.</div> <div>SHOW PORTAL MENU</div>	Portal Home	Preschool	Lower	Middle	Upper
<div> Announcements</div> <div>Upper school fall sports mandatory meeting</div> <div>The Grade 6 Musicale and LS Dance Concert now available on Harker VOD .</div> <div>Senior Showcase and MS spring musical now on Harker VOD</div> <div>Sports report Show more 19</div>	<div> Resources</div> <div>RECENTLY POSTED</div> <div>Lower School Free/Special Dress Days</div> <div>Parent Volunteer Reimbursement Form</div> <div>Middle School Student Clubs</div> <div>Middle School Software Request Form</div> <div>Show more Chamber Choir Audition Information &</div>	<div> School Calendar</div>	<div> Magnus Medical Info</div>	<div> Family & Student Information</div>	

Update Your Contact Info

Upper Division

Monday 10/07/2019

Student Directory

Update your family settings in the Student Directory [here](#)

To update your household and contact information, [please click here.](#)


To access current year Report Cards and Gradebook Detail Reports, please [click here.](#)

Return to the [Parent Portal](#) for the school [calendar](#).

Questions? Email: FamilyInfo@harker.org

Caregiver & Student Tech Help Site

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Welcome, Lisa.
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SHOW PORTAL MENU

Portal Home

TK

#1

Lower

Middle

Upper

Lower School Announcements

Head of School: Start of School Update

Dynamics and Concert Choir feat. Harmonics, "Telephone Hour" performance available

Fall Textbook Purchasing - July 12

Introducing the Harker Cooking Show!

Show more

#2

Lower School Resources

RECENTLY POSTED

Lower School Caregiver and Student Help Site

Vacations, Holidays & Key Dates 21-22

Bucknall Classroom Map

Lower School

Show more

Schoology

Lower School Staff Directory

Lower School Calendar

Harker News: Lower School

Caregiver & Student Tech Help Site

Lower School Resources

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help site

Title ▲ #2	Campus ▲	Tags ▲	Updated ▼	Download ▲
Lower School Caregiver and Student Help Site	Lower School	How-Tos, Schoology, Seesaw, Links	08/12/2021	

Caregiver & Student Tech Help Site

Caregiver & Student Help

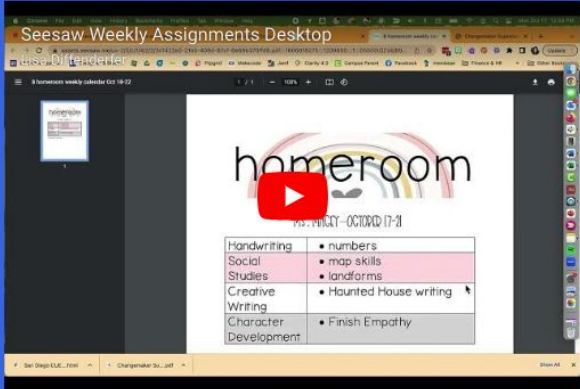
Home K-2 Students 3-5 Students

K-2 Students

Seesaw Learning App

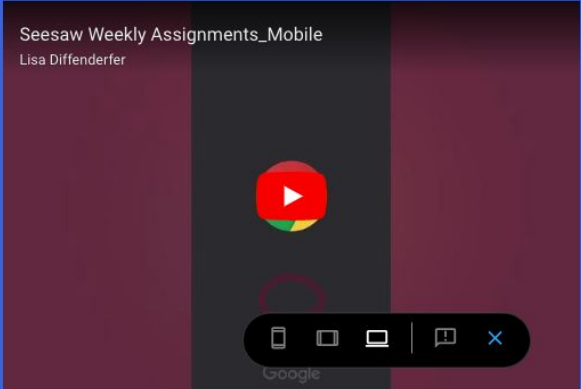
Please use the **NEW Seesaw Learning App** in a web browser or on your mobile device to view teachers' weekly agendas, receive teacher announcements, and view special projects your child has completed in the app.

Seesaw in a Web Browser



homeroom	
WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 17-18	
Handwriting	• numbers
Social Studies	• map skills
	• landforms
Creative Writing	• Haunted House writing
Character Development	• Finish Empathy

Seesaw on a Mobile App



Patricia Lai Burrows

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Director



Ultimate goal of DEI work is for folks to feel that they belong and work together to create sense of belonging community-wide.

We want you to feel like you belong and to **take action** to encourage belonging in others.

diversity@harker.org

2025-26 DEI Community Events

Thurs., Nov. 20

Upper School *Day of Understanding*
Conference
featuring Ace Lehner

Mon., Jan. 19:

MLK Day of Service Activities hosted at Upper
School Campus

Wed., Jan. 21 - Fri. Jan. 23

Dr. Walter Greason- Scholar in Residence -
spends time with TK-12 students

Fri., Jan. 23:

MLK Evening Celebration
featuring keynote by Dr. Walter Greason
and performance by
Oakland musician Kev Choice

Weeks of Feb. 24 - March 6

Celebration of Culture at all campuses

Month of March

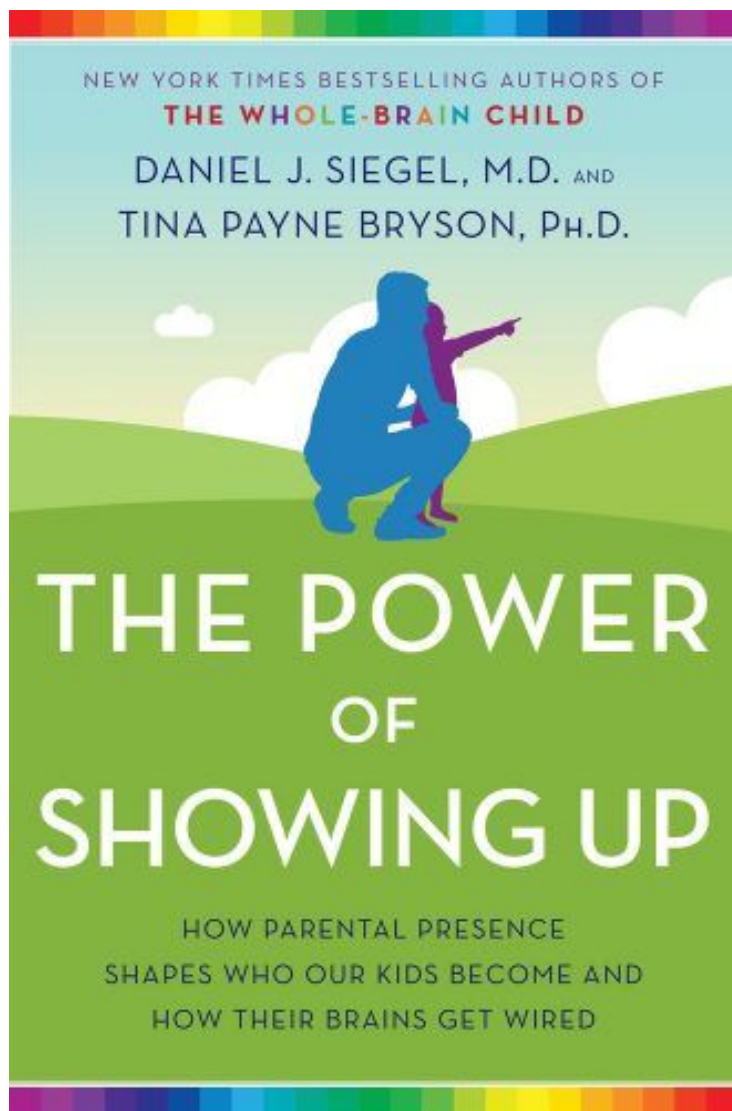
Recognition of Women's History Month at all
campuses

Week of March 24 - March 27

Neurodiversity Week activities

Sat., April 18

Harker hosts 8th Annual
Student and Faculty Diversity Leadership
Gathering
at Upper School



Parent Coffees

September 16

October 16

November 18

LIFE Parent Coffee

Tuesday, September 16


8:45-10:30 am

Boynton Cafe

Sleep & the Developing Brain

Dr. Vidya Krishnan

from Children's Health Council

A close-up, low-angle shot of a human hand reaching upwards, palm facing up. The hand is positioned in the lower third of the frame. In the background, a bright sun is shining from the top center, creating a strong lens flare and illuminating the scene with a warm, golden light. A faint rainbow is visible in the sky, arching from the left towards the right. The overall mood is hopeful and aspirational.

Because true belonging only happens when we
present our authentic, imperfect selves to the world,
our sense of belonging can never be greater than our
level of self-acceptance.

-Brené Brown

Kim Lobe

Director of Advancement



The Advancement Team



Supporting and enhancing:

- School Community
- School Pride
- Strong Tradition of Philanthropy



Our Patagonia Partnership!



Birch White

Outerwear



Nano Puff®

Warm, windproof and water-resistant, our Nano Puff® styles are made with 100% postconsumer recycled content.

They're insulated with lightweight and highly compressible 60-g Primaloft® Gold Insulation Eco and wrapped in a 100% recycled polyester shell and lining. Made in a Fair Trade Certified® factory. Imported.

Men's Nano Puff® Jacket

\$299.00 / \$425.00 / \$55.00L / Regular fit / 327 g (11.9 oz)



Women's Nano Puff® Jacket

\$299.00 / \$425.00 / \$55.00L / Regular fit / 284 g (10.0 oz)



Men's Nano Puff® Hoody

\$299.00 / \$425.00 / \$55.00L / Regular fit / 363 g (12.8 oz)



Women's Nano Puff® Hoody

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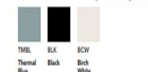
Men's Nano Puff® Vest

\$199.00 / \$425.00 / \$55.00L / Regular fit / 227 g (8.0 oz)



Women's Nano Puff® Vest

\$199.00 / \$425.00 / \$55.00L / Regular fit / 207 g (7.3 oz)



2024-25 Annual Fund

\$5 Million Dollars!



Matching Gifts!

**\$1.2
Million
Dollars!**



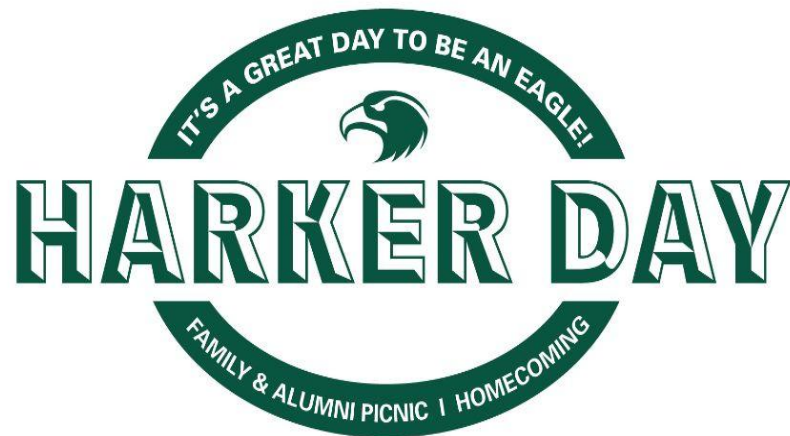
When We
Connect
we
THRIVE

An illustration of two hands, one from the left and one from the right, reaching towards each other. The hands are colored with a gradient from blue at the wrist to purple and pink at the fingers. The fingers are slightly spread, suggesting a gesture of connection or offering.

TK Room Parent

- Coordinate classroom activities that need volunteers
- Holiday parties
- Support homeroom teachers

Xi Wang - RPC
&
Cheri Wu - GLC



Save the Date!

Sat., Oct. 4, 2025

- Homecoming
- Performing Arts Shows
- Volleyball & Water polo
- Kid Zone
- Sports Clinics
- 75th Family & Alumni Picnic
- Food trucks
- Alumni Parent Connect
- Student club activities
- Alumni reunion events

www.harker.org/about/events/harker-day



Fundraising:

Supporting our Students and Teachers

Annual Giving Update

(June 1, 2025 - May 31, 2026)

- Harker would not be the school it is today were it not for our culture and long-standing tradition of Philanthropy.
- Please give/volunteer/participate in proportion to your ability to do so.
- Your generosity helps provide The Margin of Excellence we are known for: academics, extracurriculars, facilities, and long-term financial security from endowed programs.

HARKER® Annual Giving

Honor Roll of Donors:
Early September

Annual Fund mailing:
Late September

Pledge Week / Phone-a-thon:
Week of Oct. 6



The background of the slide is a repeating pattern of colorful speech bubbles. Each bubble contains a question mark. The colors of the bubbles include shades of orange, yellow, green, blue, and pink. The question marks are in various colors, including grey, yellow, and pink. The word "Questions?" is written in a large, bold, dark green font across the center of the slide.

Questions?