



Avon Grove Charter School: Summer Letter **Grade K-3**

Greetings families of AGCS!

We hope you and your families are enjoying your summer months. Whether we want to believe it or not, the first day of school is just around the corner. With the first day sneaking up on us, we want to inform you of some important information and dates that are relevant to ELC.

Our theme for the 2021-2022 school year is ***Spirit & Success!***

School begins on Tuesday September 7th, 2021.

- [Complete 2021-2022 school calendar.](#)

School Hours: **8:30 - 2:45** Carline and school doors open at **8:05 am**. Students who arrive after **8:30 am** will have to obtain a late pass. All visitors are required to use the front doors of the school.

Bus Information: All bus information (pick-up/drop-off times) will be communicated by the AGCS once it is received by the sending school district via Parent Portal and emailed. All questions regarding bus stops, pick-up/drop-off times should be directed to your specific district.

Car Line Pick-up/Drop-off: [Procedures](#) for carline at ELC. [Carline Procedures \(Spanish\)](#)

Morning Arrival Times: 8:05 - 8:25

Afternoon Car Line Pick-up Times: 2:45 - 3:15

Summer Work and Classroom Supplies: These are posted on our school website

AGCS Technology Program:

At Avon Grove Charter School students in grades 1-12 are issued their own Chromebook. Kindergarten students are issued their own ipad. By putting a computer in the hands of every student, learning can become flexible and personalized for staff and students through connected integration of technology in the learning process. Complete the *Acknowledgement/Permission* for all students in PowerSchool Parent Portal. Students will receive them during orientation or the 1st week of school.

Student Handbook: The 2021-2022 Student Handbook will be posted to our website. Each AGCS student/family will be required to complete a digital handbook confirmation/acknowledgement form in the PowerSchool parent portal.

Parent Portal (Opens 8/16): This is our web-based management system. Through the Parent Portal you can access grades, attendance, lunch balances, and required forms. Please log into account and complete the following forms:

- Contact Information Verification Form
- Medical information (2 forms)
- Student Handbook Acknowledgement
- Covid Acknowledgement
- Device Parent Acknowledgement Form
- Orientation Sign-up Form

Parents of new students to AGCS, will receive their Parent Portal information via email, with instructions to set up their account. If you do not have access to the Parent Portal or need more information, please contact elcmainoffice@agcharter.org

Picture Day: Picture Day will be on October 14 & 15, 2021. Retakes are November 30.

Free and Reduced Lunch Application:

Children need healthy meals to learn. The Avon Grove Charter School offers healthy meals every school day. The USDA has issued a waiver this school year, 2021-2022, allowing a nutritious breakfast and lunch to be served to all students at no charge to your household.

The Avon Grove Charter School continues to encourage all families to submit a meal application. *Applications will be used to determine eligibility for 2021-2022 P-EBT benefits, for carryover benefits for SY 2022-2023, and determine eligibility for waived or reduced Technology fees.*

You may apply online at www.schoolcafe.com or download a hard copy from the school's website.

Please know that submitting an application will not impact the free meals your child(ren) currently receives through the school this year.

Homeroom Teachers/Schedules: In order to view your child's homeroom teacher and schedule you will need to access the Parent Portal. The release of student schedules will occur August 16th. Parents will receive email notification the morning that schedules are released and a notice will be posted to the AGCS website.

K-3 Orientation: August 31st & September 1st

Similar to last year, in lieu of a school wide *Meet & Greet* and separate *Back to School Night*, we are hosting student orientations. This allows for a more personal and less overwhelming environment for students, parents and teachers!

Parents will complete the form ***Orientation Sign- Up*** in Powerschool to register for one orientation spot. See below for the dates and times scheduled for ELC orientations. There will be approximately 10 spots in each time slot.

Your child will receive the following during orientation:

- Need-To-Know Information from your child's classroom teacher and the main office.
- *Transportation tag:* This tag **MUST** be filled out completely and secured onto the child's backpack for the first day of school. You will indicate the way your child comes to and goes home from school each day.

- *Carline Placard*: All students will receive a placard, even if the child will be taking the bus as a routine way home. The placard will need to be used if there is a transportation change and the child is being picked up in carline any given day.
- *Technology Device*: Students will be given the device he/she will be using all year. The device will be brought to and from school each day. Teachers will review important information regarding that device during orientation.
 - Please make sure you sign the ***Device Parent Acknowledgement Form*** in parent portal before you arrive at orientation.

K-3 Orientation Schedule

	Aug. 31		Sept. 1
9:00-10:15	KDG	10:00-11:00	1st
11:00-12:15	KDG	11:30-12:30	1st
1:00-2:00	2nd	1:00-2:00	3rd
2:30-3:30	2nd	2:30-3:30	3rd
4:15-5:30	KDG	4:30-5:30	1st
6:00-7:00	2nd	6:00-7:00	3rd

We hope you enjoy the rest of your summer. We look forward to an exciting year and welcome back!

Kindly,

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