



# Butterfly Gazette

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Inglewood Avenue Preschool Academy/ 310-674-5011

## Welcome Back to School!

### Parent Corner

Inglewood Avenue Preschool Academy had a super summer. We are looking forward to a great new year. We are here to provide your child with a happy environment and to help your child mature emotionally, socially, and intellectually and to challenge their learning ability. We cannot do it alone we need your support and cooperation. We want to make this year to be of growth for all of us and to make Inglewood Avenue Preschool Academy the special place it is known to be!

**PRESCHOOL-** Breakfast is from 7:00am to 8:15am. **No breakfast will be served after that time.** Class curriculum starts at 8:30am. It is important to arrive to school by 8:30am so your child does not miss out on that day's lesson. **Do not ask the staff to stop and get breakfast after 8:15am.**

**INFANT CENTER-** Breakfast is from 8:00am to 9:00am. **No breakfast will be served after that time.** It is important that the kitchen be cleaned and start the set up for lunch. **Do not ask the staff to stop and get breakfast for your child after 9:00am.**

**Preschool-Homework-**Please check with your child's teacher regarding their homework schedule. Homework is for the child to do with the parent's assistance.

**School Uniforms-**It is mandatory that all students in the preschool come dressed in school uniforms Monday thru Thursday. Friday is school sprite day when students can wear free dress. If you are not in a school uniform, you can purchase a T-Shirt in the office.

**Girls• Navy jumpers and or navy twill pants, skirt, shorts or skorts• White or Navy Blue blouse and or polo shirt**

**Boys• Navy pants or shorts• White or Navy blue polo shirts**

**Shoes• Tennis shoes or any closed toe shoe that tie or buckle**

**Blue sweater or jacket**

### Personal Belongings

**Preschool-** Due to limited space in the lockers we are asking that the children **do not** bring backpacks. We have purchased plastic shoeboxes for your child's extra changes of clothing in case of accidents. **Label all items!!** You can use a pillowcase or a plastic bag to transport your sheet and blanket weekly. Please check with your child's teacher weekly to see what items are needed. If your child is being potty trained make sure your child has enough supplies of pull-ups and wipes for the week.

**Infant Center-** Place your extra change of clothes in a tote bag or diaper bag to stay at the school. You can use a pillowcase or plastic bag to transport your sheet and blanket weekly. **Label all items!** Make sure your child has enough supplies of diapers and wipes for the week.

**Snack & Chat!! Meet and greet!!! Get to know your child's teacher**

**Infant Center-Sept 16th 4:00pm -5:00pm Mrs. Senidy/Lakeya- Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm -5:00pm**

**-Ms. Lyncuoya's Class-October 18th 4:00pm -5:00pm- Ms. Williams Class-Sept. 19 4:30pm - 5:30pm**



**SEPTEMBER THEME**  
*Learning About Ourselves*

September

2<sup>nd</sup> Labor Day

(School closed)

3<sup>rd</sup> Back to School

Wear Your Uniform

16<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>st</sup> Snack & Chat

October

10<sup>th</sup> Picture Day

14<sup>th</sup> Columbus Day

School will be closed





### **Updated Late Arrival Policy 8/1/24**

To ensure accurate meal counts and to maintain a structured routine for all children we have implemented the following policy. Arrival means your child is signed in for the day.

### **No Child Admitted After 10:00 AM**

1. **Policy Overview:**
  - Children must be dropped off before 10:00 AM each day.
  - This policy is in place to ensure that all children are included in the meal count and receive their meals on time.
  - Your child will miss out on valuable learning activities and morning routines when arriving after 10:00am. Parents and children coming after 10:00am is a distraction to the other children and disrupts the flow of the day.
2. **Exceptions:**
  - Exceptions will only be made for extreme circumstances approved by the director.
  - If you are running late and will not make the 10:00am arrival, please do not call to ask if you can still attend.
3. **Morning Preparation:**
  - Parents make sure you get up early enough for your morning routine and give yourself ample time for traffic. Unexpected things may happen when it comes to having young children. Organize your morning so you can arrive before 10:00am.
4. **Consequences:**
  - If a child arrives after 10:01 AM without prior notice, do not sign in, your child will not be admitted for the day. The staff has been instructed to refer the parent to see the director or lead teacher on duty. Parents will be responsible for making alternative arrangements.
5. **Consistency:**
  - This policy will be consistently enforced to ensure fairness and reliability for all families.

### **NO EXTERNAL FOOD POLICY UPDATE 8/1/24**

Inglewood Avenue Preschool Academy is a nut-free center. We provide care for children who have life-threatening allergies to peanuts, tree nuts, dairy, and some fruits. Our priority is safety. Because of this, we ask families not to bring outside food to our center. Today, many foods that do not contain nuts are often processed through machinery that also handles nuts. There are also some children who will have allergic reactions to common fruits such as oranges and kiwi.

#### **WHAT WE OFFER**

1. **Breakfast:** Preschool (7:30-8:15 AM), Infants (7:30-9:00 AM)
2. **Lunch:** 11:00 AM
3. **Snack:** 3:00 PM

If you are unable to have any of these meals at our set times, please eat before your arrival on campus. Parents are responsible for feeding their child if he or she arrives after the set mealtime. Meals are monitored and approved by the California Department of Social Services, Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). We are required to provide meals that meet state requirements. Having children eat foods that are not nutritious or that do not meet state requirements jeopardizes our participation in the state food program.

#### **SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS**

Children who require a special diet will need their doctor to sign the CACFP Special Diet Form. Then we'll create accommodations for that specific child. Children on special diets should eat their special dietary food at the same time as other children.

#### **SPECIAL OCCASIONS**

We recognize that birthdays, holidays, and class celebrations may require special treats to be brought to school to celebrate. It is always important to clear any outside foods with Ms. Kam or Ms. Williams. Store-bought treats with ingredient labels allow IAPS to be aware of any ingredients that could be harmful to any of our children.

We appreciate your cooperation in helping us maintain a smooth and efficient routine for all children.