

VBCC News

Vienna Baptist Children's Center

August 2025

Melissa's Note

Dear Parents.

Welcome to a new school year at VBCC! We are so glad to have you and your child(ren) with us for the 2025-2026 school year! We are excited for a fun year and cannot wait to hear our

hallways filled with the sounds of laughter and learning. Teacher assignments and class lists will be emailed by class on August 22nd. I look forward to meeting all of our new students and seeing our returning friends at our Open House event on September 2nd and 3rd. This will be a time you can spend with your child in the classroom getting to know the teachers and some of the other friends in the class. Each family will receive an invitation via email from the classroom teacher in late August/early September. It will have information about your child's/children's teacher and let you know the day and time to come to Open House.

Our first days of school for drop off will be September 4th and 5th from 9:30-11:30. There will be tears, (from both some kids and parents:). The best way to drop off on those first few weeks is a quick happy goodbye and letting them know you will be back soon. We are very used to some tears those first few weeks but time on the playground with a lot of bubbles seems to make everyone happy!

Our three hour week, (9:30-12:30), will be September 8-12 with a packed lunch. Please remember we are a nut free school so no nut products or anything processed with nuts. Please remember to label a peanut butter alternative sandwich letting us know that it is Sunbutter. Also check labels on granola bars, etc to make sure they are not processed with nuts. Our full 4 hours school days will begin September 15th.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I have an open door policy and you are welcome to drop by at any time. You can also make an appointment to make sure I am available.

See you in September and enjoy the rest of your summer!!

Sincerely,

Melissa

<u>Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures</u>

Please use the front and side parking lots for parking during drop off and pick up times. Please DO NOT park in front of the church glass doors or park by the curbs next to the playground, even for a quick drop off or pick up. All families must park in a parking spot and walk your child/children into the building.

Once you arrive you are welcome to wait in the foyer. A staff member will open the blue doors between 9:25-9:30 and welcome everyone. You can walk your child to the classroom door where the teacher will greet everyone for the day. The teacher will take a temperature check at the door and sign each child in.

For pick up, the blue doors are open at 1pm and families will line up outside of each classroom for the 1:30 dismissal. Teachers will dismiss child to family member one at a time and each child needs to be signed out. The building is locked each day at 2pm.

August/September Schedule

Aug. 20: Rainforest (Pre-K) Playdate on the Playground 11-12

Aug. 22: Class Lists emailed by each individual class.

Sept. 2 and Sept. 3: Open House for Children and Parents. (Morning Event. Invitations will be emailed to families in late August/early September).

Sept. 4 and Sept. 5: First Day of School 9:30—11:30 am (No Lunch).

Sept. 8—Sept. 12: School Hours 9:30 am—12:30 pm (With Lunch).

Sept. 9: FCPS Teacher Workday, No School

Sept. 15: Regular School Hours Begin, 9:30-1:30 pm.

Sept. 23: Rosh Hashanah, No School



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FUNDRAISERS

VBCC depends on a variety of fundraisers sponsored throughout the school year. We are excited to bring some of our wonderful fundraisers back! These fundraisers, in past years, have helped construct the original playground, add playground upgrades, such as the picnic tables and trash cans, and have paid for many of our inhouse field trips.

Later in the fall, we will sponsor an ORIGINAL ARTWORKS fundraiser. This will present a wonderful opportunity to turn your child's original artwork into note cards, t-shirts, mugs, mouse pads and other items...unique and memorable gifts just in time for the Christmas holidays. We will announce other Fundraisers throughout the year.



VBCC Notes and Information

- If your child has an Epi-Pen, please make sure to bring 2 Epi-Pens and the completed Medication Administration Form by the first day of school.
- All families will receive a packet at the open house letting you know what
 to bring to school each day. Each child needs a change of clothes, a backpack, nut free lunch and water bottle. If your child is in diapers or pull
 ups we need 3 each day that are labeled.
- Please label anything your child brings to school. We do have a lost and found but it is very helpful to the teachers to label everything.
- Please let the office know of any changes in address, phone number, or email so we can update our system.

NO NUTS PLEASE!

VBCC is a school free from

ALL nut products. When packing a soy butter sandwich, (or other alternative), please write a note on the bag to let us know that it is SAFE to eat here at school.



FINANCIAL NOTES



- Tuition payments due on 10th of each month
- Mail or drop off payments at the office or sign up for Tuition Express, our automated payment system
- We accept cash, checks or electronic checks via mail. You can also use Tuition Express, our automated payment processing system to pay directly from your bank account or debit/credit card
- Checks are made payable to "VBCC"
- Write child's name on memo line if different from person's name writing check

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Dress for Success

We want your children to be safe and successful at school, and especially on the VBCC playground. Your children will be running, climbing, sliding, swinging, riding bikes, and painting. Please dress them in tennis shoes or closed-toe shoes ONLY, no crocs or flip-flops please. Please dress them in appropriate clothes for fun, safety and any kind of weather!