

# Soft Start Kindergarten 2023-2024



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Dear Parents and Families of Thayne Kindergarten Huskies,

We are so excited to begin a new learning journey with you and your child! We have been working to ensure a positive and thorough transition process as we begin this journey together. One of the ways to accomplish this goal is by providing a "Kindergarten Soft Start." This means your kindergarten child and a guardian will attend one half day (2.5 hours) to explore the kindergarten experience before the first full day of school. Please look for a sign up link that will be included in your student's summer letter. This will allow you to sign up to attend one of the available half-day sessions with your child on either August 21st or 22nd. The first full day of kindergarten is on August 23rd. This is a great opportunity for you and your kindergarten student to be able to participate in a shortened school day and become familiar with our routines and procedures in kindergarten. Lunch will be provided for kindergarteners and their attending adult.

Kindergarten continues to evolve throughout the years. This is a wonderful opportunity for your incoming kindergartener to explore their learning environment and a chance for you to ask any questions that you have for the school and/or teacher. Please note, bussing will not be available for kindergarteners until August 23rd. Parents will be responsible for kindergarten transportation to and from your assigned session. In an effort to make the most of this experience for you and your kindergartener, please make other arrangements for sibling care during this time. We look forward to meeting you and your kindergarten child at the Kindergarten Soft Start.

~Thayne Elementary Kindergarten Teachers