

EC 3 Tip Sheet

2023 - 2024

The new school year is just around the corner. We have many fun units and activities planned, plus special Jewish holiday units. Your child can look forward to music, movement, and Hebrew with a Shabbat celebration each Friday. As we excitedly anticipate the arrival of your child, we want to share some special tips with you to help make this transition an easy one.

- All EC3 children must be **FULLY** potty trained. Children must be able to **independently** use the potty, as dictated by DSS coding. Students who are to enter the EC 3 class and are **not** potty trained will start the year in the EC 2 classroom, if space allows, and will be moved to the EC 3 class once independent potty training has been achieved. Children will accomplish this skill in their own time, some children take a little longer and it is not a reflection on their abilities or developmental progress.
- Start an early bedtime routine on August 1.

EC 3 Will Need

- Complete set of labeled clothes (including socks, underwear, pants, and a shirt) in a Ziploc bag
- 1 box of baby wipes
- 1 box gallon-sized Ziploc bags
- 1 box sandwich-sized Ziploc bags
- \$20 gift card for Walgreens. This is for the printing of photos used in your child's assessment portfolio.
- Book bag, one that is able to hold a 9X12 folder (no wheels, please)
- A family picture and pictures of your family members for the family bulletin board
- 1 package of colored cardstock
- 1 one-inch three-ringed binder (with a clear front pocket for cover insert)
- 20 clear page protectors

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EC 3 PM Will Need

- ❑ An additional change of clothing, each item labeled and in a Ziploc bag
- ❑ Blanket and lovey (if they use)

Things to Think about:

- Expect some anxiety on the first days and even weeks of school; this is normal.
- Remember a quick goodbye is usually best; plan a routine to use with your child.
- Dress children appropriately for play and in clothing at an appropriate length to avoid tripping.
- Send your child in **closed-toed shoes** and socks for safety reasons.
- Children may **not** enter the building with food, candy, sippy cups, drinks, or pacifiers.
- Please **label** all of your child's belongings.
- Drop-off time is between 7:30 - 8:00 am and dismissal is at 11:45 or 3:20 (2:45 on Friday).
- Apply sunscreen/insect repellent prior to entering the building each day.
- Please refrain from bringing toys and other items to school.
- All children will rest after lunch for at least 30 minutes. Children who are still awake at the 30 minute mark will be provided with a quiet activity.
- Check your child's communication app and folder in the book bag each day for important information. Return the folder to school each morning. Please place all written communication for the staff in the appropriate space in the folder.

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Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support. We look forward to a wonderful year with your child.

See you in August!