



"A new school year means new beginnings, new adventure, new friendships, and new challenges. The Slate is clean, and anything can happen." -Denise Witmer

Dear Tiny Thinkers Families,

Welcome to the 2025–2026 School Year!

August is here, marking the end of summer and the beginning of an exciting new school year! This month brings many wonderful changes and opportunities for your child. They will be transitioning into new classrooms, meeting new teachers, and making new friends, a new adventure awaits!

In preparation, we'll also be updating cubbies and making additional enhancements to help us start the school year strong.

We're excited to welcome you back for a wonderful new school year! Please take a few minutes to carefully review the following reminders and updates to help ensure a smooth and successful start:

First Day of School

The new school year begins Monday, August 18th, 2025. Many children will be transitioning into new classrooms with new teachers. A Welcome Packet will be sent home to help guide you through important information for the year.

Staff Development Closure

We will be closed on Friday, August 15th, 2025, for Staff Development Day. **Classes will resume on Monday, August 18th.**

Back-to-School Essentials

Please send the following items with your child at the beginning of each week:

- A fitted crib sheet, A small blanket
- A straw water cup must be brought every day
- A clean and dry diaper upon arrival

Daily Drop-Off & Pick-Up Reminders

- Drop-Off Cut-Off Time: 10:00 AM sharp. Arrivals after this time disrupt classroom learning.
- Sign In/Out: Parents must use their full name (not initials) to sign the child In and Out

Extended Care Contracts

If you require before-care, after care, or both, please complete the Extended Care Contract.

Reminders:

- A fee will be charged for early drop-off before 7:30 AM.
- A late fee will apply for pickups after 5:30 PM unless you are enrolled in extended care.

Emergency Comfort Kits

Please submit your child's Emergency Comfort Kit by **September 15, 2025**. If you have not done so.

Each kit should:

- Be in a gallon-sized Ziploc bag labeled with your child's full name
- Contain a 2-day supply of nut-free food, water, a family photo, a comfort item, and an optional letter of support
- Exclude perishable or nut-containing items
- Be updated every 6 months

Emergency Contact Card Updates

Please update your child's Emergency Contact Card using the form attached to this newsletter. Fill out both the top and bottom sections, one for your child's file and one for our emergency binder.

Water Play & Final Weeks of Summer Camp

Water Play is wrapping up soon! Please send your child dressed in a swimsuit and closed-toe water shoes and include a towel and extra clothing in a labeled bag.

Don't miss the last two Summer Camp Performances!

To participate, please submit \$20 per show or \$40 for both.

Breakfast Policy

Breakfast is served from 8:30–9:00 AM. If you arrive after 9:00 AM, please sit with your child to supervise while they finish eating.

Unfortunately, we cannot serve breakfast after 9:00 AM due to our structured classroom schedule.

Volunteering & Teacher Communication

- Interested in volunteering? Please contact administration to coordinate the best day and time.
- To speak with your child's teacher, the best time is between 12:00 PM and 2:15 PM.

Dress Code & Hygiene

- No open-toe shoes allowed; shoes must fit securely to ensure safety.
- Please ensure your child's nails are clipped before school.
- If your child stays after 4:30 PM, Please don't forget to pack a snack. This is optional. Please make sure snacks are nut-free.

CCRC Families

Please follow the approved schedule hours provided by your case specialist.

If you need a schedule change, please contact your case specialist first, then inform our office so we can make the official update.

Withdrawals & Kindergarten Transitions

If your child is transitioning to kindergarten or withdrawing from Camous, please provide a written or emailed two-week notice and include your child's last day of attendance.

Tuition & Payment Reminders

- Tuition is due on the 1st and 15th of each month.
- A \$35 late fee will apply to any late payments.
- Payments can be made at [MyProcare.com](https://myprocare.com):
 1. Enter your email address
 2. Enter the confirmation code sent to your email
 3. Set your password
 4. Use the Pay button to make payments
- Card payments include a 2.5% processing fee.
- Cash payments must be exact; overpayment will be credited no change will be given.

Annual Material Fee

A reminder that the \$120 annual material fee per child will be billed on **September 1st, 2025**.

Tuition Increase Effective September 1, 2025

As previously announced, tuition rates will increase starting **September 1st, 2025**.

Resources:

Hand-Foot-and-Mouth Disease (HFMD) is a mild but highly contagious viral illness commonly seen in young children. It typically causes sores in the mouth and a rash on the hands and feet. HFMD spreads quickly especially during the summer and fall and is closely monitored in early childhood settings.

We encourage all families to stay informed and vigilant. If your child shows any symptoms of HFMD, please:

- Contact your child's pediatrician
- Notify our school administration as soon as possible

Prompt communication helps us maintain a safe and healthy environment for all children and staff.

To learn more about HFMD including how it spreads, its symptoms, treatment options, and prevention tips please refer to the trusted resources below:

Helpful Links

In English:

- [Nationwide Children's Hospital – HFMD Overview](#)
- [CDC – Causes of HFMD](#)
- [Mayo Clinic – Symptoms & Causes](#)
- American Academy of Dermatology – Self-Care Tips

En Español:

- [Departamento de Salud Pública del Condado de LA – HFMD \(PDF\)](#)
- [CDC en Español – Acerca de la Enfermedad de Manos, Pies y Boca](#)

We also encourage you to stay engaged in your child's early learning journey. Ask them about their day, what they're exploring in class, and what new things they've discovered, it makes a big difference!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Please make a note! The school is unable to allow make-up or substitute days for times that a child is absent. There will be NO refund given for days not attended. We DO NOT pro-rate tuition for vacation, sickness, holidays, or school closures. If you have any questions or concerns, please email or call.

We sincerely thank you for your continued support and partnership. We're looking forward to another wonderful school year with you and your child!

Warmly,
Tiny Thinkers Preschool

North Hills

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Canoga Park

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Telephone: 818-346-3035

Santa Clarita

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Teachers Corner

This month our **Summer Themes** will be:

- Theme: **Bubble Week**
Activity: Nano Bubble Tape
 - Bubble Show

Santa Clarita - 8/5/2025 @10-11:30am
North Hills - 8/6/2025 @10-11:30am
Canoga Park - 8/7/2025 @10-11:30am

- Theme: Olympics Week
Activity: Tie-Dye T Shirt
 - Olympic Games

North Hills - 8/14/2025 @10-11am
Canoga Park - 8/14/2025 @10-11am
Santa Clarita - 8/14/2025 @10-11am

This month our **focus topic** will be:

Theme: Back to School & All about me

Number: 0,1

Letter: Aa

Shape: Circle

Color: White

Sign language: Please and Thank you!

Spanish vocabulary: Escuela, lápiz, amigos, rutina

Spanish song: A la escuelita, con Estrellita

Song: Look Who Came to School Today

Recyclable Project: Cereal box backpack

Montessori Practical Life: How to use and roll a work rug

Gross Motor Skills: Duck, Duck, Goose

Sensory: Water bin with funnels, cups and sponges

Science: Germ simulation experiment

Cooking: All about me pizza's



**Happy Birthday to everyone
born in this month of August**



On your special day, that is your birthday, we wish the best of wishes. We hope that you spend your special day with your loved ones and family. We hope that all your wishes come true.



Sun. 8/3/2025 National Watermelon Day

Mon. 8/11–Thurs. 8/14/2025 Last Week of Summer
Camp

Fri. 8/15/2025 Staff Development Day-School Closed

Mon. 8/18/2025 First Day of New School Year





Contact Card

Child's Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Mom's Name: _____ Dad's Name: _____
Mom's Phone Number: _____ Dad's Phone Number: _____
Alternative Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____
Home Address: _____
Doctor's Name & Phone Number: _____
Dentist's Name & Phone Number: _____
Medication Allergies & Known Diagnoses List Here: _____
Food Allergies / Restrictions List Here: _____

I hereby grant Tiny Thinkers Preschool permission to photograph my child for possible posting on social media.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Please provide the names of any **AUTHORIZED PERSONS**, other than parents/guardians, who are allowed to pick up the child. Ensure that the names match their identification, and if possible, provide a picture of the authorized persons.

Please list Full Name, Phone Number, and Relationship to the Child:

1. _____

2. _____

*If there is a person who may **NOT HAVE ACCESS** to the child, please indicate:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Is There an Order of Protection in Place? YES ☐ No ☐

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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