

If my child is bullied, what should I do?

If your child is bullied, go to your school guidance counselor or school administrator for help.

What is a typical schedule?

Elementary schools typically have blocks of time scheduled at the same time every day for certain subjects, like reading and math. During other times of the day, students may attend rotating classes on special like art, music, and physical education.

Are programs available for students with special needs?

Programs are available for special populations. These include Intervention Services, Gifted Programs, and more.

When are elementary school students required to take the CRCTs?

All students from grades one through eight are required to take the Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests (CRCTs) in reading, English/language arts, and math. In addition, students in grades three through eight are required to take the CRCTs in science and social studies

Do I have to participate in a school-wide fundraiser?

No, you do not have to participate in school-wide fundraisers. And some schools provide the option of making a monetary contribution to the school instead of fundraising.

Do parents have to join the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)?

PTO membership and participation is voluntary. It is a parent's decision, but joining does benefit the school.

How much does lunch cost?

Lunch costs vary by school district. Prices range from \$1.25-\$2.00. Some items are priced separately. Free and reduced priced lunches are available for eligible students.

Are after school programs available?

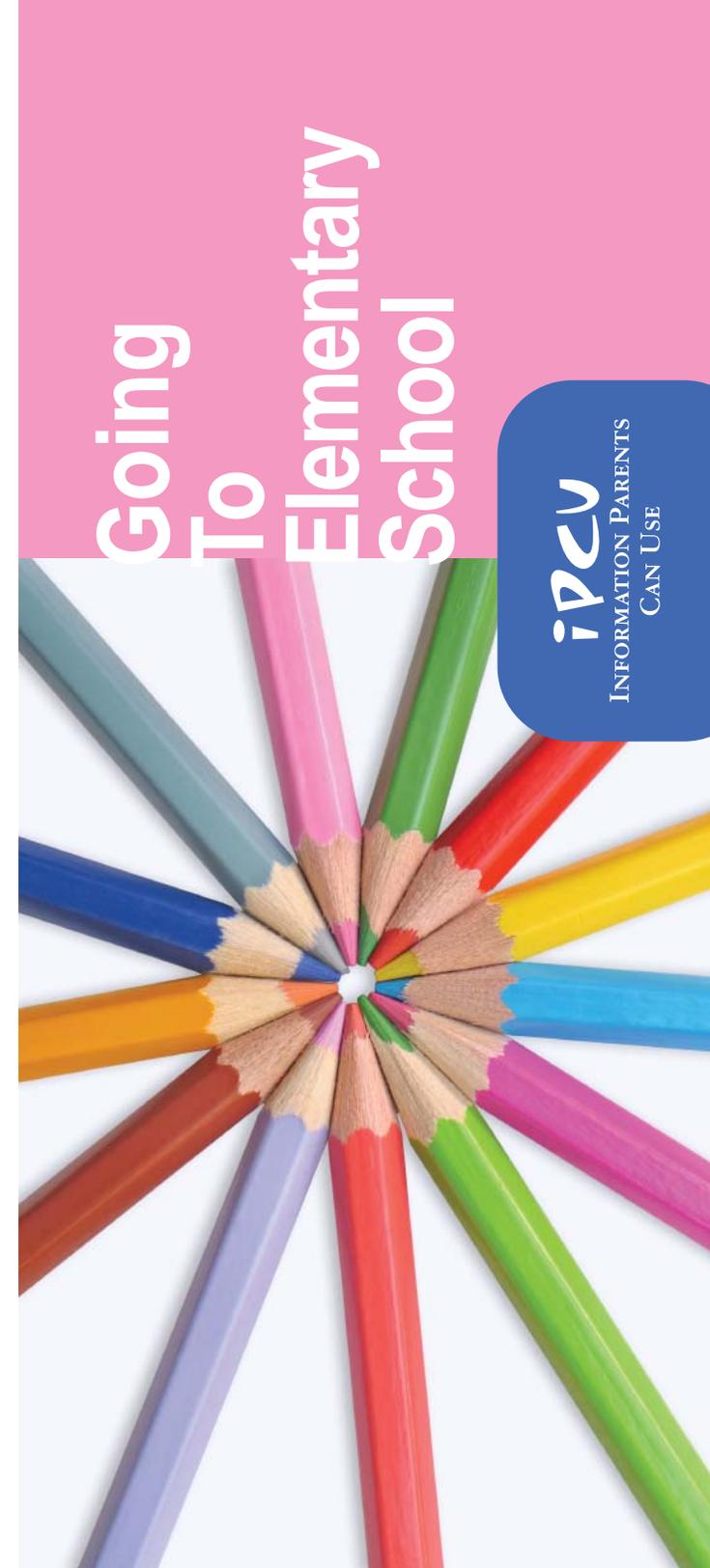
Many elementary schools offer before and after school programs. Generally there is a cost for participation.

Contact a counselor at your school to receive more information and to discuss your options. The material contained in this pamphlet is current as of Januray 2013. For the most current information visit our web site: www.gcic.peachnet.edu

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Information Parents Provide to Elementary Schools

As the parent of an elementary school student, you should be prepared to provide the school with certain documents. These documents are required by the state.

- Proof of birth date
- Certification of ear, eye & dental examinations
- Certification of immunization
- Proof of residency
- Registration forms
- Social security card
- Transcript & testing information

Information Elementary Schools Provide to Parents

Elementary schools provide information in a variety of ways. Materials will be sent home with your student or emailed. These will include local school and district policies, as well as calendars and lunch schedules. Information about current events may also be posted on school signs and store bulletin boards. Most elementary schools maintain web sites and homework hotlines.

- Absentee Policies
- Behavior Policies
- Dress Code
- Fundraising Information
- Grading Scale Information
- Holiday and Vacation Policy Information
- Information about Competitions
- School Calendar

Frequently Asked

What is the age requirement for enrollment in kindergarten and first grade?

Students must turn five on or before September 1 to enroll in public kindergarten. Students must turn six on or before September 1 to enroll in first grade. Schools verify age before enrollment.

Is it mandatory for my child to attend kindergarten?

Though public kindergarten is available in every school system, attendance is not mandatory.

How do I find out which elementary school my child has been assigned to?

School systems assign children to a school based on residence. Contact your local school system to find out which school zone you live in and which elementary school your child is assigned to attend.

Do elementary schools have a dress code?

All schools have a dress code. Generally, these policies are to ensure that the focus of the day is on learning. Shoes and age-appropriate clothing are required. Some schools require that students wear approved school uniforms.

Are there field trips in elementary school?

Many elementary schools provide field trips for students. Your child may take trips related to academic, technology/career, or elective classes.

Are school clubs and sports available?

Some elementary schools have clubs and sports available for students. Contact your local school for more information and the requirements to participate.

Will parents have an opportunity to meet with teachers and administrators?

Most elementary schools have designated times through the school year to have parent-teacher conferences.

