

# TOWN OF NORTH PROVIDENCE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

I am very excited to announce that the North Providence Public Schools will implement a ***soft start*** for our Kindergarten students this September! This has been a top priority of the Kindergarten teachers and District Administrators for the past several years. We believe this model is beneficial to our Kindergarten students and their families as it helps to ensure a more appropriate academic and social placement for this most important foundational experience.

On either August 30, 31 or September 1, 2022, Kindergarten students will come to their assigned elementary schools at a scheduled time (you will be contacted by your child’s school) for a screening to help your child’s school better place him/her into a classroom for the year. The screening appointment will be approximately half-hour long and will be scheduled by your child’s school. Families will sign up for appointments during K Orientation. If not able to do so, families will be contacted by the school to schedule an appointment. ***At the end of the screening appointments you will be contacted via telephone or email by your child’s school with his/her placement.*** All Kindergarten students will report to school on September 6, 2022 for a full day. All North Providence Elementary Schools start at 8:55am (dismissal is at 3:12pm). Bus routes are published in the Valley Breeze and are posted on our website before the start of the school year.

During the screening appointment, your child will participate in a variety of activities designed to help the school’s professional staff place him/her appropriately for the school year. While your child is in the screening appointment, parents/guardians will complete a questionnaire to help us get to know your child.

Below is the chart of the first week of school

August 30, 31, 2022 & September 1, 2022	September 1, 2022	September 6, 2022	September 7, 2022
Screening Appointments	Screening Appointments Or Email notice or Phone call of child’s placement	First full day of school ( 8:55am-3:12pm)	Second full day of school (8:55am-3:12pm)

We are excited to begin this journey with you and your child! Please don’t hesitate to contact your child’s school with any questions.

Respectfully,

Louise K. Seitsinger  
Assistant Superintendent  
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