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April 1, 2025

Dear Kindergarten Families,

Welcome to the 2025-2026 Kindergarten Round Up! We are thrilled to have your child join the Fort Calhoun Community Schools family. We understand the importance of providing your child with the essential tools for success. Thank you for your support as we begin this exciting journey together.

Kindergarten Round is Friday, April 25th and Friday, May 2nd from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm. We would like your child to come in on Friday, April 25th for round up. Providing this essential time with staff is important as it will help our staff determine the direction we go with each student for the upcoming school year. This plan will help us build knowledge and gain information to enhance your child's learning environment and experience in elementary school.

The kindergarten team has created a detailed plan for kindergarten Round Up. The students will be split into groups with teachers and staff members rotating between the classrooms. This will allow the kindergarten team to build relationships with ALL students. During round up, the schedule will be set up like a regular day at school. Students will be engaged in multiple academic activities. They will also go outside to recess and eat lunch at school. With this opportunity to eat lunch at school, there are some decisions to make. Your child can:

- Option 1 Bring a cold lunch from home.
- Option 2 Eat a school hot lunch. Please bring \$2.75 to turn into the office.

There will be a parent meeting at 12:20 pm in the gym. Please enter through the front of the school. The meeting will provide you additional information from the principal, kindergarten teachers, school nurse and other staff members that your child will see throughout their time at school. The parent meeting will end at approximately 1:00 pm.

Additionally, the state of Nebraska mandates a few other items before the start of the 2025-2026 school year. Your child needs to be five years old by July 31, 2025 to qualify for kindergarten. Fort Calhoun Elementary School will need your child's birth certificate and immunization records. The office will make a copy to keep for our records at school.

Prior to April 25, 2025, please call the school office at 402-468-5714 to verify that your child will be attending Kindergarten Round up or will not be attending kindergarten at Fort Calhoun next school year.

If you have any questions, please contact the elementary office. We look forward to seeing you at Kindergarten Round Up on Friday, April 25th or Friday, May 2nd.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sara Horstman Building Principal Ms. Jessica Hall Kindergarten Teacher

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Mrs. Kelsey Mrs. Katy Kelsey Kindergarten Teacher

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