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Dear Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Parents,

Thank you again for choosing The American International School • Vienna. We are delighted to have your family join our school community!

Pre-Kindergarten (PK) and Kindergarten (KG) make up the Early Childhood Education Program at AIS. Drawing upon educational best practices, the expertise of our teachers, and the needs of our students, we aim to provide your child a nurturing and welcoming environment that fosters curiosity and a lifelong love of learning. As parents, you play a key role in your child's educational development; we see you as partners in the process.

The first day of school is a memorable and important event in your child's life. To help you and your child easily transition to our school community and its expectations, each new student entering PK and KG is asked to attend the Early Childhood Visitation on Monday, August 16. During this time, students will have a chance to explore their classrooms, engage in activities, and meet new friends and teachers. Our team of teachers will use this as an opportunity to observe and confirm your child's school-readiness and assist with class placement. Please know that class lists will be emailed later in the afternoon on August 16.

Since starting school can be a challenge for our youngest learners, we start the first week slowly. Please note the modified schedule for PK and KG during the first week of school (mornings-only on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 17 & 18).

We want your child to feel comfortable in this new environment and for you to be well informed about important information and expectations. We hope you are just as excited as we are to begin this school journey with your son or daughter. If we can be of any assistance during your transition to our school, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. Again, welcome to our school. It's going to be a wonderful year!

Yours sincerely,

Brian Donaldson
and the Early Childhood Education Teachers
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Over, for the Early Childhood First Week Schedule

MONDAY, AUGUST 16

- *Early Childhood Visitation (PK & KG)*
- *AIS New Student Orientation (PK-12)*

Time	Activity	Who	Where
9:15	Arrival in the Elementary School Drop off PK & KG students in classrooms	PK & KG students and their parents	Elementary School Entrance
9:20-11:00	Early Childhood Visitation	PK & KG students and their teachers	PK & KG Classrooms
9:20-10:55	Orientation Programs for Parents	Parents	Cafeteria & Theater
11:00	Pick up PK Students Pick up KG Students	Parents	PK Classroom Playground
11:00-1:00	BBQ Lunch*	Students, parents, and teachers	Sports Hall (next to Playground)

*Depending on government-issued health restrictions

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17 &**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18**

- *HALF DAYS for PK & KG students (8:05-11:30 a.m.)*
- *First full days of school for all Grade 1-12 students*

Time	Activity	Who	Where
8:05	Arrival at school, go to classrooms	All AIS students	Elementary School Entrance
11:30	Dismissal for PK & KG students – Parent Pick-Up	All PK & KG students, parents	Elementary School Entrance
No Return Bus Service for PK & KG Students			
3:15	Dismissal for all other students (Grades 1-12)	All Grade 1-12 students	
<i>Bus Service Available for Grade 1-12 Students Only</i>			

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19**& FRIDAY, AUGUST 20**

- *First FULL DAYS of school for all students, including PK & KG*

Time	Activity	Who	Where
8:05	Arrival at school, go to classrooms	All AIS students	Elementary School Entrance
3:15	Dismissal for ALL students (PK-Gr. 12)	All AIS students, incl. PK & KG	Elementary School Entrance
Normal Bus Service Available for PK & KG Students as of Today			