

School Visit Checklist

School Name: _____ Phone: _____

AS AN ACTIVE OBSERVER, LOOK FOR THE FOLLOWING INDICATORS DURING YOUR SCHOOL VISIT.

YES	NO	
		Each classroom looks cheerful and students are focused on their work.
		Student work is displayed and is appropriate for each grade level.
		Teachers seem enthusiastic and knowledgeable.
		The principal is confident and interested in interacting with children, teachers and parents.
		Students behave in a respectful manner toward one another in class, during transition and at lunchtime.
		There is a gym, playground or field.
		There is an art room, music room, science room and/or computer lab.
		Facilities are well maintained, the bathrooms are clean and well supplied, and the grounds look safe and inviting.

OTHER INFORMATION

Transportation options: _____

School start and end times: _____

Before-and-after school programming: _____

Extracurricular activities: _____

Homework practices: _____

Technology use: _____

Discipline and safety policies: _____

Philosophy or mission: _____

School communications: _____

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Thanks to all of the parent and teacher volunteers who contributed to the creation of this document. Parents serving on a special committee and teacher members of District Twelve Educators' Association (DTEA) graciously gave their time and expertise to create this guide to welcome new parents and students to the district.

The subcommittee met over a year to compile, research and answer commonly asked questions from parents sending their children to kindergarten for the first time. Teachers contributed learning materials and insight on what happens in the classroom on a daily basis. We hope you find this guide to be practical, useful and a good introduction to what's ahead for the coming year!

