



260 CACIQUE DRIVE, ST. AUGUSTINE, FL 32086

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to Hartley Elementary School!

Although the 2019-20 School Year calendar indicates that August 12th is the first day of school, all kindergartners in St. Johns County begin school with a “staggered start.” This means that your child will attend on either Monday, August 12th, Tuesday, August 13th, Wednesday, August 14th, or Thursday, August 15th, with a small group of approximately five students. Friday, August 16 is the first day of school for all kindergarten students.

The staggered start has many benefits for our youngest learners, as it allows for a smoother, more positive transition from home to school and offers the children and their teacher time to know one other. On the small-group first day, our kindergarteners also visit the art, music, physical education and media teachers.

Your child’s kindergarten teacher will send you a welcome letter in early August with specific information about Kindergarten Orientation, your child’s start date, supply list, etc. The standard supply list is posted on our webpage and items are available in all major stores in St. Augustine.

We welcome you and your child to Hartley, and we look forward to an exciting year filled with the joy of learning and discovery.

Sincerely,

Dr. Paul Goricki

Principal