ABBY KELLEY FOSTER CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL
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Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to a new school year at Abby Kelley Foster! Whether your family is joining us for the first time or returning for another wonderful year, your teachers are excited to welcome you. We look forward to getting to know each student, building strong relationships, and creating a year filled with learning, growth, and memorable experiences together.

As we prepare for the first week of school, please note the following schedule:

- **Kindergarten:** Tuesday, August 25, Wednesday, August 26, and Thursday, August 27, will all be **HALF school days**.
- **Grades 1–3:** The first week of school will be **Monday, August 24, through Thursday, August 27**, and all four days will be **full school days**.

Students should arrive at school between **8:25 and 8:40 a.m.** each morning. Students arriving after **8:45 a.m.** will be marked tardy, so please plan your morning transportation accordingly. Our updated bus schedule is available on the school website.

If you need to make any changes to your child's dismissal plans, please contact **Dely Hippert, Administrative Assistant**, at **508-854-8400** or by email at **dhippert@akfcs.org**.

Below you will find a list of classroom supplies for each grade level. Please send these items with your child on the first day of school, and be sure to label all personal belongings with your child's first and last name. Many of these supplies are used regularly throughout the year and may need to be replenished as the months go by.

As you prepare for the new school year, we also encourage you to visit our school website to explore our suggested summer reading lists and to read Mrs. Duke's July *Bear Bulletin* for additional school updates and information.

We hope you are enjoying a safe, relaxing, and fun-filled summer. We can't wait to welcome everyone back to school and begin another fantastic year together. See you soon!

Warmly,

The Abby Kelley Foster Elementary Team

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Kindergarten Student School Supplies:
One (1) 1-inch white three ring binder (for their Portfolio)
Wired Headphones (must be able to plug into a chromebook)
Change of clothes labeled with your child's name (please include shirt, pants, socks and underwear, does not need to be uniform)
Classroom Supplies to share: one (1) package of napkins
One box of ziploc baggies (gallon size)
One box of ziploc baggies (sandwich size)
Please note that due to safety concerns, parents will not be able to go into their child's homeroom on the first day of school . Please remember to label all supplies with your child's name and homeroom teacher so they can be delivered to the correct classroom.

Grade 1 Student School Supplies:
One (1) 1-inch white 3-ring binder with clear plastic view cover (for their Portfolio)
Three (3) boxes of 16 or 24 crayons
Two (2) packs of thin Expo dry erase markers
Two (2) pairs of scissors
Standard #2 yellow pencils (sharpened)
Wired Headphones (must be able to plug into a chromebook)

We are asking that all student school supplies come in a gallon Ziplock bag labeled with your child's name and homeroom teacher on it (otherwise you will need to label each item with their name). Supplies not requested (markers, pencils with designs, etc.) may be sent back home at the teacher's discretion.

Grade 2 Student School Supplies:
One (1) 1-inch white binder with a clear plastic view cover (for their Portfolio)
One (1) pencil bag (soft)
Two (2) pairs of scissors
Fifteen (15) EXPO thin dry erase markers (black, blue, green, or red only)
Two (2) packages of crayons (24 count or smaller) -
Two (2) packages of colored pencils
Wired or wireless computer mouse
Standard yellow #2 pencils (sharpened)
Clear plastic page protectors
Wired Headphones (must be able to plug into a chromebook)

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Grade 3 Student School Supplies:
Student School Supplies:
One (1) one-inch, 3 ring, black binder with clear plastic view cover (for their Portfolio)
One (1) pack of clear, plastic page protectors with 3-hole punches along the side
One (1) pencil bag (soft)
One (1) pair of scissors
Two (2) packages of dry erase markers (black, blue, green, or red only)
One (1) box of crayons
One (1) pack of washable markers
Four (4) glue sticks
Fifty (50) standard #2 pencils (sharpened)
Wired or wireless computer mouse
Standard yellow #2 pencils (sharpened)
Clear plastic page protectors
Wired Headphones (must be able to plug into a chromebook)
Elmers Glue
Paper plates, cups, plastic utensils

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