



# KINDERGARTEN CENTER

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Dear Kindergarten Families,

Congratulations for making it through the first **25** days of school! You have successfully established new routines, met new people, and started your child's journey as a Bulldog! We are excited to be a part of it and more excited for what is to come!

As discussed at New Parent Orientation and at Back to School Night, the Kindergarten Center community has 3 general rules:

**We are SAFE!**

**We are KIND!**

**We are BRAVE!**

We have practiced and learned the various routines and procedures to be **SAFE!** We learned how to wait our turn, help a friend, and show respect to be **KIND!** And now, we are asking for the help of parents to help foster your child's independence, which needs you and your child, to be **BRAVE!** Being Brave in kindergarten means a lot of different things but together, we will achieve our goals!

The first task for your child to demonstrate being **BRAVE**, is by being able to self advocate. What does that mean for a kindergartener? It means that your child will not only know their first and last name, their address, and a safe adult's name and phone number, they will be able to recall and state it when asked. **Practice! Practice! Practice!** At the end of the month, if your child has met this goal, return the attached *star* and we will display this in our MPR! (**REMEMBER**, let them write, color and cut!)

Over the next few months, we will work to support your child's independence by providing optional Let Grow Projects (Kindergarten Center version) from [LetGrow.org](http://LetGrow.org). This organization champions childhood independence and resilience by encouraging children to engage and develop skills for themselves. Additional information will be shared in the next few weeks!

Thank you for your support!!

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