



Westpark's Online Back-To-School Video Presentation

In an effort to innovate* and improve how we meet the needs of our Westpark families, the **2015-16 Westpark Back-to-School Presentation can be accessed using the attached documents**. Each class or grade level has a link and QR code that will connect you to their presentation. There is also a principal presentation with general information about the school. These videos give an overview of our grade level programs and are an important parent resource.

Instead of the traditional Back-to-School Night, Westpark will host an "Open-Classroom/Meet the Teacher" event, allowing for more parent communication time where the staff can answer parent questions about the presentation/school year. We can focus on getting to know each other as we build our team to support each child's learning experience. As in past years, we will still be assigning times to the grade levels in order to allow parents of multiple students to see both presentations. At each grade level's assigned time, there will be a short presentation to answer any questions and have a "meet the teacher" portion of the evening. The entire staff will be introduced in the Multi-Purpose Room between presentations at 5:45.

Should you not have access to the necessary technology, we will have the presentation available in the computer lab during the "meet the teacher" for you to watch.

This innovative format allows for a great deal of positives:

- 24/7, year-long access to the same valuable grade level background information
- Watch at your convenience from anywhere on any type of device
- Allows for time to process all the grade level information and opens up time for questions and answers
- If parents are unable to attend, they can still access the important information
- Students who may join during the school year can have their parents still access the same information as those whose child started at the beginning of the school year.
- Allows for more contact time with each parent at the Meet-and-Greet
- Uses technology to enhance communication between parents and teacher
- If language translation is needed, this allows for that possibility
- Viewable in smaller viewable amounts or all content areas at one viewing

We look forward to building a strong relationship to support depth of learning and high levels of growth and success for each and every child.

Please remember that Back to School Night is a parent only event. We look forward to seeing you in the Multi-Purpose Room at 5:45.

*Thank you to Plaza Vista's Scott Bedley and to Heather Phillips, Portola Springs principal for inspiring the Westpark team. Our online BTSN presentation is modeled after their innovative approach.