



*Pleasant Valley
Mennonite School*

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Welcome,

Thank you for taking the time to look through this information. After your application is reviewed, the principal will contact you to set up a meeting to discuss enrollment.

Please read through the handbook carefully. We will ask your child/children to follow the guidelines outlined in the handbook. If you have any questions before sending your application in, don't hesitate to contact the school office through phone (717) 738-1833, or email office@pvmschool.org.

GENERAL PROCEDURES

- The first day of school for this year (2025-2026) was August 21 and the projected last day of school is May 22. The first day of school is typically the last Thursday of August.
- The school day starts at 8:13 and ends at 3:03 (bus routes) and 3:05 (car/van rides). If you bring your own child, drive down around to the front entrance under the carport to drop off and pick up. We appreciate if your child/children are here by 8:10.
- Kindergarten students come to school on Tuesdays and Thursdays before the new year and Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays after the new year. All of those days are full days (8:13-3:05).
- Every Friday we dismiss early at 2:15 PM (bus routes) and 2:17 PM (van/car rides).
- Parent Teacher Fellowship (PTF): Teachers are in their rooms at 7:00 p.m. The meeting with all the parents starts at 7:30 p.m. We encourage you to look at the information the teacher has on your child's desk. (Date is on the school calendar.)
- Parent Teacher Conference (PTC): You are given a 15 minute slot to personally meet with your child's teacher. You will receive a paper in advance asking you what time would work best for your schedule. (Date is on the school calendar.)
- We use an email/text message system to notify you of school delays & cancellations.

- Spring Program: The students are to be in their classrooms by 7:00 PM. The program starts at 7:15 PM. There is an afternoon program/dress rehearsal at 1:00. We have one program in the spring.
- Hot Lunch: Almost every month there is one Friday where mothers of students take turns preparing lunch for the school. Your child will not need a lunch that day. A snack in the morning would probably be nice for your child to have at their first recess.
- Your child will at least need a backpack & lunchbox. Any other school supplies that are required will be communicated with you through a package of information sent in the summer.
- You will need to send lunch with your child. Lunch supplies such as condiments (ranch & ketchup), plasticware, plates, and napkins are not supplied for your child. If something is forgotten, there are some supplied here for that purpose. The child will have to ask the teacher on duty for the desired item & then wash it afterwards. Please pack the items your child will need (a microwavable container/spoon/fork/etc).
- Information and school events' details are sent home weekly with your oldest child enrolled. Dates for school events (such as fundraisers and programs) are given at the beginning of the year.