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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

On behalf of the staff and families of **Cooper Elementary**, welcome to kindergarten K4, or K5)! We are excited about the start of the 2025-2026 school year and look forward to getting to know your child and family.

To provide a smooth transition for your child into school this year, we will use a “staggered start” the first three attendance days for students enrolled in K4 and K5. On each of the first **three** days of school, a limited number of students will attend each day. On your child’s assigned day, the teacher will have the opportunity to begin to get to know the students and their needs more quickly. Also, these days allow the students to make new friends; the teacher to explain and practice school routines and safety procedures; the creation of a classroom culture; and the implementation of several small group lessons and activities dealing with cooperation, self-control, and following directions.

Staggered Start dates are listed below:

Traditional Start Calendar:

Tuesday, September 2, 2025	Wednesday, September 3, 2025	Thursday, September 4, 2025
Group A – Last names A-I	Group B- Last names J-R	Group C- Last names S-Z
No attendance Group B & C	No attendance Group A&C	No attendance Group A&B

Group A, B, and C attend on Friday, September 5, 2025 (This is also picture day).

Thank you for choosing Cooper Elementary School. We are honored to have you become a part of our school community. And we look forward to welcoming your child and you to the 2025-26 school year!

Sincerely,

Kristin Hinds
Principal
Cooper Elementary
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