

WINDSOR SOUTHEAST SUPERVISORY UNION

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ACT 166: Publically Funded Pre-K

Public funding for 10 hours a week of preschool is be available under Act 166. Public funding for Preschool is sent directly to the **Pre-Qualified** provider.

If you are the Parent or Guardian of a child between the ages of 3-5 years, (child must be at least 3 years old on or before September 1st of that year) **and** you are a resident of Hartland, Windsor, Weathersfield, or West Windsor, you may apply for Public Preschool Funding by completing the following 3 steps:

1. **Register** your child at your local school district. (Registration forms are available on the WSESU website, or at your local school.)
2. **Complete Residency Verification** with the Supervisory Union Office. (If you have already completed the residency verification for a school age child, you do not need to duplicate. The local school district's registrar will need to verify.)
3. **Enroll your child in a Pre-Qualified Preschool program** for 10 hours a week, anywhere in the state of Vermont. (Public funding only covers tuition for 10 hours a week.)

All 3 steps must be completed in order for your child to qualify for Act 166 Public funding. Annual Pre-K funding is pro rated based on the date all paperwork is completed and verified after September 1, 2018.

Once the above steps are complete **and** your child's enrollment is verified. The Supervisory Union will pay the **Pre-Qualified Provider**, a tuition rate set by the State of Vermont, for your child to attend 10 hours a week, for 35 weeks during the academic school year. Any tuition or fees above 10 hours a week or beyond 35 weeks will be the responsibility of the parent or guardian.

In addition, The Windsor Southeast Supervisory Union provides a tuition free, high quality **Pre-Qualified Preschool Program**. The **WSESU Early Childhood Program** has one classroom that offers 10 hours a week, either AM or PM session, at the Windsor School. The WSESU Early Childhood Program accepts applications from any family residing within one of the four Supervisory Union towns. Because there are more applications than available openings, enrollment in the WSESU Early Childhood Program is determined through a "Lottery" drawing. Any completed applications received before June 1st of the current school year will be included in the lottery. Parents are notified by the end of June of their child's enrollment status. In order for an application to the WSESU Early Childhood Program to be included in the "lottery", your child must be registered with their local school district and their residency must be verified.

(Any child currently enrolled in the WSESU program, not entering Kindergarten, is automatically enrolled for the following year. Children who are eligible for Special Education IEP services will receive priority enrollment, and can be up to 50% of the enrollment.)