

PRE-K REGISTRATION & APPLICATION PROCESS

for

McLaurin Elementary, Pelahatchie Elementary, Pisgah Elementary, Puckett Elementary, and Richland Elementary School

If you or someone you know has a child who will be 4 years of age on or before September 1, 2020 and live in one of the school zones listed below; they may qualify for the free Pre-Kindergarten Program offered by the Rankin County School District.

McLaurin Elementary, Pelahatchie Elementary, Pisgah Elementary, Puckett Elementary, and Richland Elementary School.

Applications will be available at these schools on February 3, 2020 and are due back by March 20, 2020.

Registration is the first step but does not guarantee acceptance into the Pre-K program.

TO QUALIFY

- » Child must be 4 years old on or before September 1, 2020
- » Child and family must live in the School Zone
- » Child must be completely potty trained upon submission of application
- » Submitting an application does not guarantee acceptance into a Pre-K classroom. A student waiting list is maintained for those who are not a part of the original class make-up.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Items needed for a completed Pre-Kindergarten application packet

- » State Certified Birth Certificate (MUST BE THE ORIGINAL)
- » Certificate of Immunization Compliance Form 121
- » Child's Social Security Card (Optional)
- » Group I Proof of Residency: Homestead exemption, lease, mortgage OR property deed with current address on .
- » Group II Proof of Residency: Current utility bill dated within 30 days of enrollment.
 - ♦ Acceptable Bill: Electricity, gas, landline telephone, cable TV, satellite TV, and water bill.
 - ♦ Note: If an item is not provided, the Pre-K application process is considered incomplete and cannot be considered for the Pre-K class in the Rankin County School District.

COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKETS ARE DUE TO THE SCHOOL ON OR BEFORE Friday, March 20, 2020. Any applications received after this due date may not be accepted.



DESIGNATED SCHOOLS

McLaurin Elementary | (601) 845-2127
Pelahatchie Elementary | (601) 854-8060
Pisgah Elementary | (601) 829-2937
Puckett Elementary | (601) 825-6140
Richland Elementary | (601) 939-4375

Thank you for your interest in the Rankin County School District Federal Program's Pre-Kindergarten program. This *Pre-Kindergarten Application* must be completed to apply for the program. Information and documentation provided with your child's *Pre-Kindergarten Application* would assist our office in determining your eligibility for the Pre-Kindergarten program. Enrollment priority for the 2020-2021 school year will be given to eligible children whose complete *Pre-Kindergarten Application* is received on or before March 20, 2020. **Submitting an application does not guarantee acceptance into a Pre-Kindergarten classroom. A student waiting list is maintained for those who are not a part of the original class make-up.**

To apply:

1. Complete all of the enclosed application forms

2. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Items needed to register your child for Pre-Kindergarten

- State Certified Birth Certificate (**MUST BE THE ORIGINAL**)
 - Certificate of Immunization Compliance Form 121
 - Child's Social Security Card (**Optional**)
 - Group I** Proof of Residency: Homestead exemption, lease, mortgage **OR** property deed with current address on it.
 - Group II** Proof of Residency: Current utility bill dated within 30 days of enrollment.
 - * Acceptable Bill: Electricity, gas, landline telephone, cable TV, satellite TV, and water bill.
 - * Note: If an item is not provided; the Pre-Kindergarten application process is considered incomplete and cannot be considered for a Pre-Kindergarten class in the Rankin County School District.
3. Submit the completed application forms and supporting documents to the School Zone in which you and your child reside on or before **March 20, 2020**.
 4. **Submitting an application does not guarantee acceptance into a Pre-Kindergarten classroom. A student waiting list is maintained for those who are not a part of the original class make-up.**

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Before you return your child's *Pre-Kindergarten Application*, use this checklist to make sure you have included everything that is needed to make the application complete.

- Your child *WILL NOT* have the opportunity to be considered for acceptance into a Pre-Kindergarten program nor have his/her name placed on a waiting list if his/her *Pre-Kindergarten Application* is missing any of the required forms, items and documents listed on this *Checklist*.
- Submitting an application does not guarantee acceptance into a Pre-Kindergarten classroom. A student waiting list is maintained for those who are not a part of the original class make-up.

X	SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:
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| | 1. Original application forms: Form #1, Form #2, and Form #3 (pages 4-6 of this application) |
| | 2. Child's state certified birth certificate (Optional) |
| | 3. Certificate of Immunization Compliance Form 121 |
| | 4. Child's social security card |
| | 5. Group I Proof of Residency: Homestead exemption, lease, mortgage OR property deed with current address on it. |
| | 6. Group II Proof of Residency: Current utility bill dated within 30 days of enrollment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Acceptable Bill: Electricity, gas, landline telephone, cable TV, satellite TV, and water bill. * Note: If an item is not provided; the Pre-Kindergarten application process is considered incomplete and cannot be considered. |

To be considered for enrollment in the Pre-Kindergarten Program, the application and all required documents are due on or before March 20, 2020.

FORM 1: CHILD AND HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

CHILD INFORMATION

First Name:	Middle Name:	Last Name:
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Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Date of Birth: <input type="text"/> Month <input type="text"/> Date <input type="text"/> Year
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Race/Ethnicity (check all that apply):

American Indian Asian Black or African American Multi-Racial/Bi-Racial Native Hawaiian

Pacific Islander White Hispanic or Latino/a Other (please specify): _____

Residence Address: _____	Apt. /Unit #: _____
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City: _____	State: _____ Zip Code: _____
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Mailing Address (if different): _____	Apt. /Unit #: _____
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City: _____	State: _____ Zip Code: _____
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Does your child have any disabilities? Y N

If 'Yes', please list the type of disability/disabilities (list all): _____

Does your child have an IEP (Individualized Education Plan)? Y N If 'Yes', please submit a copy of your child's IEP with this application.

Has your child been involved in preschool, daycare, or a Head Start program? Y N

If 'Yes', please list the name of the preschool, daycare, or Head Start: _____

Is your child toilet trained? Y N

If 'Yes', please specify how long your child has been toilet trained: _____

HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

List the name(s) of your child (ren) and the name of all other adults and children who live at the same address listed above.

FIRST AND LAST NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD
1.	
2.	
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FORM 2: PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

PARENTS/GUARDIANS LIVING IN SAME HOUSEHOLD AS STUDENT

First Name: _____	First Name: _____
Last Name: _____	Last Name: _____
Relationship to Child: _____	Relationship to Child: _____
Work Phone: _____	Work Phone: _____
Cell Phone: _____	Cell Phone: _____
Home Phone: _____	Home Phone: _____
Email: _____	Email: _____
Highest Education Level: _____	Highest Education Level: _____
Primary spoken language at home: _____ 2nd spoken language (if applicable): _____	
Has your family moved in order to work in another city, county or state in the last three years? ___Y___N	
If so, what is the date your family arrived in the city/town in which your currently reside? _____	
Has anyone in your immediate family been involved in the one of the following occupations, either full or part-time or temporarily during the last three years? (Check all that apply)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture: planting/picking vegetables or fruits such as tomatoes, squash, grapes, onions, strawberries, etc. <input type="checkbox"/> Planting, growing, or cutting trees/raking pine straw <input type="checkbox"/> Processing/packing agricultural products <input type="checkbox"/> Dairy/Poultry/Livestock <input type="checkbox"/> Meatpacking/meat processing/seafood <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing or Fish Farms <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____	
Are you temporarily living with others due to lack of permanent housing, living in a shelter, living in a motel/hotel, or otherwise experiencing lack of permanent housing? ___Y___N	

PARENTS/GUARDIANS LIVING AT AN ADDRESS DIFFERENT FROM STUDENT

First Name: _____	First Name: _____
Last Name: _____	Last Name: _____
Relationship to Child: _____	Relationship to Child: _____
Work Phone: _____	Work Phone: _____
Cell Phone: _____	Cell Phone: _____
Home Phone: _____	Home Phone: _____
Email: _____	Email: _____
Highest Education Level: _____	Highest Education Level: _____
Does this parent/guardian have joint custody? ___Y___N	Does this parent/guardian have joint custody? ___Y___N
Should this parent/guardian receive school information? ___Y___N	Should this parent/guardian receive school information? ___Y___N
Is this person legally restricted access to this student? ___Y___N	Is this person legally restricted access to this student? ___Y___N
Please submit a copy of any legal documents regarding custody.	Please submit a copy of any legal documents regarding custody.

FORM 3: SCREENER INFORMATION AND SIGNATURES

SCREENER INFORMATION

Please read the information below regarding the Dial 4 Screener and sign where indicated.

- All students will have to be screened before a decision is made about placement.
- Applications and all required documents must be submitted before the student is scheduled for screening.
- The screener used, the Dial-4, is designed to measure the most fundamental and basic concepts that are acquired by young children.
- The screening takes approximately 45 minutes. Parents are required to remain in the school to wait for their child. **Parents may not be in the room with their child during testing.**
- The results of this screening are one of the measures used to help determine if a student is placed into the Pre-Kindergarten program.
- Upon submission of the application packet and required documents, you will be contacted to set up a time to bring their child for screening.
- Please note that it is very important to show up for your appointment, as students who do not get scheduled will be removed from the list of potential participants in the Pre-Kindergarten program.

Sign below indicating you have read and understand the screener information:

Signature of Primary Adult

Date

Signature of Second Adult (if applicable)

Date

COMPLETION SIGNATURES

Read the following statements and sign where indicated.

- I/We have completed all sections on the Family Information form and certify the information is correct.
- I/We understand that, if necessary, additional documents may be requested and I/we will comply with the request.
- I/We understand that this application is due on or before **March 20, 2020**.
- **I/We further understand that submission of this application does not guarantee acceptance of my/our child in the Pre-Kindergarten program.**

Signature of Primary Adult

Date

Signature of Second Adult (if applicable)

Date

