



## FRIDLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION GUIDE



**2021-22**



Primary Years  
Programme

# Dear Parents,

Welcome to Fridley Public Schools, a **World Class Community of Learners!** We look forward to providing your child with an outstanding educational experience.

It's time to register for kindergarten and begin your child's educational journey at Fridley Public Schools, an International Baccalaureate World Schools district.

The **Kindergarten Preparation Timeline**, provided in the center of this brochure, outline important dates in the kindergarten registration process. See the **Ready to Register** page to find steps you will take to enroll your child.



## About Kindergarten at Fridley Public Schools

- We offer kindergarten at Hayes and R.L. Stevenson Elementary Schools, both authorized International Baccalaureate World Schools.
- Students begin their educational journey into the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (IB PYP), a holistic, transdisciplinary framework that develops the whole child, focusing on intercultural understanding, taking action, and real-world contexts.
- Each kindergarten student begins his or her journey to college readiness with the following core academic disciplines: reading, math, science and social studies.
- Students begin to study a second language (Spanish), as well as music, art, physical education, and media & technology.

### Locations:

**Hayes Elementary School**  
615 Mississippi Street NE  
Fridley, MN 55432  
763-502-5200

**R.L. Stevenson Elementary School**  
6080 East River Road  
Fridley, MN 55432  
763-502-5300

**Hours:** 9:10 AM - 3:45 PM (free breakfast at 8:55 AM)

**Bussing:** Transportation is provided to students who live within the district boundaries and open-enrolled students through NWSISD.

# Welcome to Kindergarten!



## Kindergarten Preparation Timeline:

## Future Kindergarten Scholars ... Let's Get Started!

### Attend VIRTUAL ROUND UP NIGHT

This year, **Round Up Nights** will be held virtually via Google Meet. You and your future kindergartner will have the opportunity to meet the school principal and teachers, virtually tour classrooms, and learn more about kindergarten at your school, including information about transportation, extended child care, nutritional services and more.

#### Monday, March 8

##### Hayes Virtual Round Up,



5:30 - 6:15 PM  
Google Meet



[meet.google.com/nzc-oijw-qef](https://meet.google.com/nzc-oijw-qef)

#### Tuesday, March 9

##### Stevenson Virtual Round Up,



5:30 - 6:15 PM  
Google Meet



[meet.google.com/ctg-dffi-xbp](https://meet.google.com/ctg-dffi-xbp)

### Attend the KINDERGARTEN SOCIAL

Hayes and Stevenson Elementary Schools are hosting a **Kindergarten Social** event for parents and their future kindergartner to attend. Families will have the opportunity to meet the principal and kindergarten teachers in-person. Students will also meet our school mascots and enjoy a summer treat!

#### Tuesday, May 25 Kindergarten Social,

5:00 - 6:30 PM

Commons Park, 555 61st Avenue NE, Fridley

#### Watch for Back-to-School Information in Mid-August

Be sure to watch for mail and email in mid-August with your child's teacher assignment and back-to-school information.

Please note: Your child will not be assigned a teacher until all required documents are received.

### Attend BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHTS

Let's start the school year off right! Prepare your child for the first day of school at the **Hayes Back-to-School Night** OR **Stevenson Back-to-School Night!** Students can meet their teachers, drop off supplies, hop aboard a school bus, go through the lunch line, and more!

#### Thursday, September 2

##### Hayes Back-to-School Night (K-4),

3 - 6 PM

615 Mississippi Street NE

763-502-5200

#### Thursday, September 2

##### Stevenson Back-to-School Night (K-4),

3 - 6 PM

6080 East River Road NE

763-502-5300



### SCHEDULE YOUR CHILD'S EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING!

An **Early Childhood Screening** is required by Minnesota State Law prior to the start of kindergarten. Screenings are conducted at the Fridley Community Center (6085 7th Street NE) throughout the year.

Call **763-502-5102** or visit <https://fridley.ce.eleyo.com> to schedule an appointment! (*Appointments required*)

For more information about screening, contact Mora Slifka at 763-502-5157 or [mora.slifka@fridley.k12.mn.us](mailto:mora.slifka@fridley.k12.mn.us)

*Screening appointments are held in person, but can be administered virtually if preferred. Screenings are also available on Wednesday afternoons by appointment.*







# The International Baccalaureate (IB)

The E-12 Continuum at Fridley Public Schools



Primary Years Programme

At the center of an International Baccalaureate (IB) education are students with unique learning styles, strengths and challenges. The IB focuses on each student as a whole person. Thus, IB programmes address not only cognitive development but social, emotional and physical well-being. The aim is to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people with adaptable skills to tackle society's complex challenges and who will help to make the world a better place.

## Primary Years Programme (PYP)

In Fridley Public Schools, the PYP is offered to all students from Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 4. Founded on a philosophy that recognizes a child's natural curiosity, creativity and ability to reflect, the PYP generates a stimulating, challenging learning environment to nurture those assets and foster a lifelong love of learning in every child. Like all IB programmes, it is transdisciplinary, meaning students learn across subject areas while investigating big ideas.

### The PYP:

- Addresses students' academic, social and emotional well-being.
- Encourages students to develop independence and to take responsibility for their own learning.



- Supports students' efforts to gain understanding of the world and to function comfortably within it.
- Works within global contexts. Students increase understanding of languages and cultures, and explore globally significant ideas and issues.
- Focuses on intercultural understanding. Students learn to communicate in a variety of ways and learn a second language. At Fridley, Kindergartners begin to learn Spanish, where they are introduced to the language and culture.
- Explores significant content that is broad and balanced, conceptual and connected.
- Helps students establish personal values as a foundation upon which international-mindedness will develop and flourish.

**REMINDERS!** Please keep these points in mind as you prepare for registration!

**Your child WILL NOT BE ASSIGNED A TEACHER until you have completed the following:**

- Register and complete an **Early Childhood Screening** if you haven't done so already. A screening is required by law for students entering kindergarten at a public school. Call 763-502-5102 to schedule an appointment or register online for an upcoming screening date (see other side for details)
- At your child's five-year-old checkup with your doctor, ensure all immunizations are up-to-date. **Immunizations are required by law, and no student will be able to start on the first day without having these completed.**
- Please be sure to turn in **all required documents** prior to the first day of school (see **Ready To Register** section for a list of required documents).

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## ***Ready to Register!***

*Your child must be five years old on or before Sept. 1, 2021*

*Students must fall into the birthdate range: Sept. 2, 2015 - Sept. 1, 2016*

### **There are two easy ways to register your child in Fridley Schools:**

#### **1. Go online**

- Visit [www.fridleyschools.org](http://www.fridleyschools.org) and click the "Enroll" button at the top of the page. Click the "Online Enrollment" button and follow the steps to register your child.
- To complete the registration process, you will need to submit the required documents (*listed below in red*) to the Enrollment Center.

#### **2. Visit the Enrollment Center, 6085 7th Street NE, Fridley**

- Staff will assist you in completing the online registration. To complete the registration process, you will need to submit the required documents (*listed below in red*) to the Enrollment Center.

### **The following documents are required for registration:**

- Proof of address (driver's license, utility bill, rental/purchase agreement) **OR** Open Enrollment Form
- Child's original birth certificate
- Up-to-date immunization records
- Preschool screening documents if screened outside our district

### **How to submit required documents:**

**Enrollment Office Fax Number:** 763-502-5082

**Mail to:** Attn: Lori O'Dowd, Enrollment Coordinator, Fridley Community Center, 6085 7th Street NE, Fridley 55432

**Email:** [lori.odowd@fridley.k12.mn.us](mailto:lori.odowd@fridley.k12.mn.us)

Copies will be made of each document and originals will be returned to you.

**PLEASE REMEMBER:** REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED.

**\*If your child is already enrolled in our four-year-old preschool program, there is no need to re-register for kindergarten.**

**Do you have questions? Want more information?  
Contact Enrollment Coordinator Lori O'Dowd at 763-502-5081.**