

HOW CAN I ENROLL MY CHILD IN PRESCHOOL?

1. INCOME-BASED ELIGIBILITY

To register, fill out an online registration on the FCPS website and submit the following documents: Child's legal birth certificate, current KY immunization certificate, proof of last doctor's well-check or physical, one proof ot address, income documents for all adults in the household and a vision exam.

Once all documents have been received, the application and income documents will be verified. The family will receive notification by email or U.S. Mail.

2. SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSIDERATION

Families would work closely with Fayette County Schools Resource Specialists and Special Education Facilitators throughout an evaluation process. Legal and health documents are not required unless eligibility is determined at the end of the evaluation process.



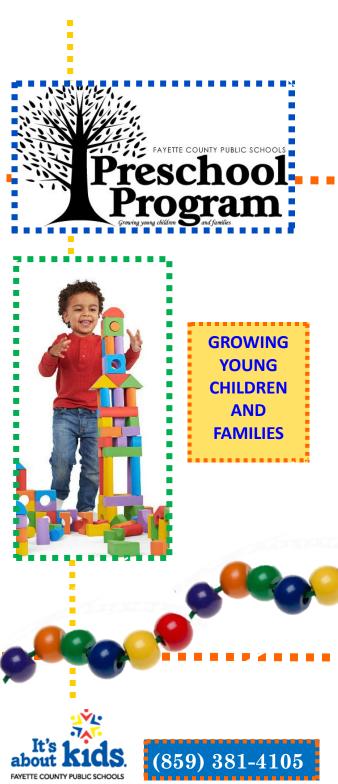
ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

- The Preschool program is a half-day program. Extended child care options are not offered in this program. (*Format may change based on current health and safety guidelines*)
- Preschool students are served one nutritious meal each day while at school.



- The Preschool calendar varies only slightly from the Fayette County Public Schools calendar (due to the need for home visits and other program-related scheduling requirements). Teachers will provide a preschool calendar for all Preschool students.
- In some cases, your child may qualify for bus transportation. Preschoolers ride regular school buses with Fayette County Schools bus drivers and bus monitors.
 Eligibility will be determined after your application is approved and a placement has been made.

FCPS Early Childhood Department Office is located at the John B. Price Administration Bdlg. 450 Park Pl. Lexington, Kentucky 40511



WHAT IS FAYETTE COUNTY PRESCHOOL?

Fayette County Public Schools Preschool Program readies children for life long learning by focusing on a wide array of developmentally appropriate classroom practices and an age specific curriculum. Preschool engages the whole child in hands-on, active learning, preparing students with the skills and knowledge needed for entry into primary school.

WHO TEACHES PRESCHOOL?

The instructors in every preschool classroom are fully trained to offer the highest quality education to young learners. Lead teachers all come equipped with a background in Early Childhood Education and are statecertified.

HOW DOES FAYETTE COUNTY PRESCHOOL PREPARE CHILDREN TO SUCCEED?

Every aspect of the school day is carefully planned using Kentucky's Early Childhood Standards. These standards are specific to the range of developmental achievements from birth to age four.

Fun, engaging, learning experiences are always designed to support the goals of the curriculum.



CREATIVE CURRICULUM

The philosophy is that children learn best by doing. Learning isn't repeating what someone else says. It requires active thinking and experimenting to find out how things work and to learn first-hand about the world. Play provides the foundation for active learning.



THE GOALS OF THE CURRICULUM ARE TO:

- Help children become enthusiastic learners.
- Encourage children to be active, creative explorers and to become independent, self-confident, inquisitive learners.
- Incorporate giving children choices.
- Teach children how to learn and allow them to have a role in how they learn.
- Allow children to learn at their own pace.
- Promote good habits and attitudes among
- children, particularly a positive sense of self.

A WORD ABOUT SPECIAL SERVICES

Services FCPS provide if a child is determined eligible through the evaluation process include but are not limited to:

- * developmental intervention
- * speech/occupational/physical therapy
- * visual/hearing impairment services

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND FAYETTE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS PRESCHOOL PROGRAM?

There are two ways to be eligible for Preschool through Fayette County Public Schools.

A child can be determined eligible if they are:

- 4 years old by August 1st of the current school year and from a household that meets income requirements based on family size.
- 3 or 4 years old regardless of family income where there is an educational disability present as determined through a school evaluation process.

School-based services are available to students who qualify.

Children must be Fayette County residents. Children age-eligible for Kindergarten are no longer eligible to attend FCPS Preschool.

