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EAST ISLIP
UNION FREE
SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The East Islip School District annually receives funding for a Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) Program. The District contracts with South Shore Children's Center to provide UPK on-site. We are excited to be able to utilize this program to meet the needs of our four year olds for the 2020/2021 school year.

The New York State guidelines for a Universal Pre-K program will only allow students who are district residents, who turn four years old on or by December 1, 2020 and are eligible to attend kindergarten in the 2021/2022 school year, to participate in the program at no cost to you based on a lottery. Therefore, this program is eligible to children who meet the following criteria as summarized:

- Resident of East Islip School District
- Proof of Age (Child must be four years old on or by December 1, 2020)
- Proof of Immunizations

We anticipate a total of 81 tuition-free UPK program slots available through the lottery. All children eligible for the UPK program whose parents are interested in their participation will be entered into a lottery. The lottery will take place on June 5, 2020. Due to the Coronavirus outbreak and public gathering laws, the lottery drawing will be conducted electronically by Cullen and Danowski, LLP Internal Auditors for the East Islip School District. If you are interested in having your child participate in the lottery, please return the attached form either by mail or fax no later than June 3, 2020. If your entry form is not received by June 3, 2020, your child will not be included in the lottery. The names will be selected randomly. From names selected, students will be placed in a UPK spot at either Timber Point Elementary School or Connetquot Elementary School based on order in the lottery and geographical location of home address. If you do not accept the specific school assignment for which your child has been selected, the seat will be forfeited. Please be aware that this will also be in effect for those students placed on the wait list for any Universal Pre-K seat. This procedure will be strictly followed subject to seat availability. Furthermore, if your child's name is chosen for a spot in the UPK lottery and you require extended day services, you will have the choice of choosing this option upon registration. The program for families needing this extended day service will be provided at the ECC only. Please note: UPK services are federally funded, and therefore are at no charge if your child's name is chosen in the lottery. However, any extended day services will be at parents' own expense after the UPK session ends based upon availability. Any questions regarding the extended day program should be directed to South Shore Children's Center at 631-581-1234.

If your child is selected at the lottery, you will receive information for the mandatory two-part registration which will be held at a later date yet to be determined.

We feel confident that your child will have a rewarding and successful experience in the East Islip School District's Universal Pre-K Program. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Paul Manzo, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Personnel at 631-224-2015 or District Registrar, Mrs. Alexis Ricci at 631-224-2043.

Sincerely,
Mr. John V. Dolan
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Universal Pre-K Lottery

To be held on June 5, 2020

Eligible children must meet the following criteria:

Resident of East Islip School District
(Proof of residency required at registration)

Proof of Age - The child must be 4 years old on or by
December 1, 2020. Date of birth must be from 12-2-15 to
12-1-16 inclusive.
(Proof of age required at registration)

To enter the lottery, please return the bottom half of this flyer no
later than June 3, 2020 to:

Alexis Ricci, Registrar
East Islip School District - Admissions Office
1 Craig B. Gariepy Avenue
Islip Terrace, NY 11752
OR
Via Fax – 631-581-8352

*The drawing will be conducted electronically by Cullen and Danowski, LLP Internal Auditors for the East Islip School District. All chosen families will be notified by mail after the lottery and will receive information for the mandatory two-part registration which will take place at a later date yet to be determined. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Ricci at 631-224-2043 or aricci@eischools.org.

UPK Lottery Entry Form
(Please Print Information)

Parent Name: _____

Child's Full Name : _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____