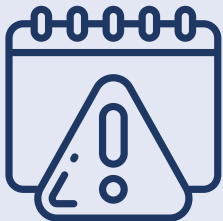


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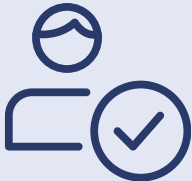
PRESCHOOL EXPANSION INITIATIVE



IMPORTANT DATES

- Pre-registration portal opens 2/1/24 @ 12:00 a.m.
- Pre-registration completed by 2/22/24 at 11:59 p.m.
- Lottery Drawing Date: 3/20/24
- Notification of acceptance and location: 4/17/24

- Reside in Edison Township.
- Birthdate on/within dates of 10/2/19 through 10/1/21.
- Successful submission of preschool lottery pre-registration for each child with the district by 2/22/24 @ 11:59 p.m.



ELIGIBILITY



TRANSPORTATION

- Free, courtesy transportation is available for all participating preschool students.
- Busing does not include services for before/after care scheduled individually with partnering Private Licensed Child Care Centers.
- Bus routes will depend on school zones listed in the presentation (Zone I or Zone II).

- Children whose residential addresses are within geographically grouped “Home School” locations (as per the district’s attendance boundaries) will attend a preschool location that also falls within the same geographical grouping, delineated as “Zone I” or “Zone II”.



LOCATION



SCHOOL YEAR

- Follows the Edison Township Public Schools’ calendar.
- The 2024-2025 calendar will be available later this spring 2024. The current calendar is [available here](#).
- Must be in session for a full day consisting of 6-6.5 hours per day.
- The school schedule is not available at this time. Information is forthcoming.



ENROLLMENT

- Pre-registration will be open beginning 2/1/24 @ 12:00 a.m. [via this link](#).
- Once a fully completed pre-registration is submitted, a notification will be sent to the contact information listed in the application.
- Inquiries regarding registration can be directed to the district's enrollment department.
 - Registration is for 3 & 4 year olds.
 - 4 Year old: Birthday on/within the dates of 10/2/19 through 10/1/20.
 - 3 Year Old: Birthday on/within the dates of 10/2/20 through 10/1/21.
- Income Eligible: Students entitled to free and reduced lunch as defined by the USDA, or directly certified through the NJ Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.
 - Include a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefit number or complete a free and reduced lunch application to verify eligibility.
 - [Link here for application](#).
- 2024-2025 preschool eligible siblings of 2024-2025 preschool eligible children selected by the lottery (or who are of Tier 1 status) will also be provided with a seat.
 - Pre-registration of the sibling is also required.
- Current in-district general education half-day 3 year olds will be grandfathered in; no pre-registration needed.
- Required documents for pre-registration include a parent/guardian photo ID, proof of child's date of birth (birth certificate or passport), and proof of Edison residency.

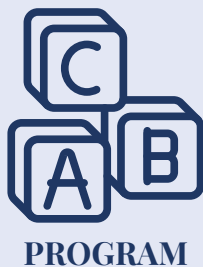


ADDITIONAL SERVICES

- Students identified for special education services will be serviced through in-district programs.
- Before and After Care are at the discretion and availability of the partnering Private Licensed Child Care Center. There is no before/after school care available in in-district programming.

- **Tiered Approach**

- **Tier 1: Income Eligible 4 Year olds (~261 students).**
 - **Projections indicate that all students in this Tier will receive a seat. If this Tier exceeds projections, Students will be selected on a first come first serve basis.**
 - **Tier 2: All other 4 Year olds & Income eligible 3 year olds (~966 students).**
 - **Selected via lottery drawing.**
 - **Selection of students for a seat from Tier 2 is contingent on seats being available after all Tier 1 students are assigned a seat; otherwise, will be drawn to determine order of waitlist.**
 - **Tier 3: All Remaining 3 year olds (~ 705 students).**
 - **Selected via lottery drawing.**
 - **Selection of students for a seat from Tier 3 is contingent on seats being available after all Tier 1 & selected Tier 2 students are assigned a seat; otherwise will be drawn to determine order of waitlist.**
 - **Any 3-year-old selected for a seat will be enrolled for the September 2024 and September 2025 school years.**
- **To secure a selected lottery seat or spot on the waitlist...**
 - **Accept the seat/waitlist position via Genesis Parent Portal within 72 hours upon initial notification; and**
 - **Complete Full Enrollment via District's Enrollment Department within 30 days of notification of available seat/waitlist position.**



- **Class sizes by state law cannot exceed 15 students per classroom for any Preschool Expansion Aid funded program. This requirement is also mandatory for Private Licensed Child Care Centers.**
- **Curricular programming and services will be consistent in Private Licensed Child Care Centers and in-district preschool programs.**
- **The curriculum is the state and BOE approved HighScope Curriculum.**
- **Potty training is not required for participation.**



ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

Visit Our Preschool Expansion Initiative Website at
<https://www.edison.k12.nj.us/parents/pea>