

Kettering City Schools Integrated Preschool Program - FAQs

What is Kettering's Integrated Preschool Program?

The Integrated Preschool Program provides an engaging and developmentally appropriate learning environment for young children that are 3-5 years of age. Our goal is to provide:

- A high quality pre-kindergarten program for young children with and without special needs.
- An opportunity for children with special needs to learn in an environment that includes typically developing peers as mentors.
- Additional related services as needed, for students with special needs.
- Provide a multi-year preschool experience to prepare students for Kindergarten.
- The Integrated Preschool Program uses the Wonders Curriculum that is aligned with the Ohio Department of Education's Early Learning and Developmental Standards.

What are the special features of the program?

- Licensed early learning childhood staff
- Ohio Department of Education 5-Star Rated
- Wonders Curriculum that is aligned with Ohio Department of Education's Early Learning and Developmental Standards
- Lower student to teacher ratios
- Use of developmentally appropriate practices and behavior supports

Where are our classrooms located?

- Beavertown Elementary School (937) 499-1740
2700 Wilmington Pike, Kettering OH 45419
- Greenmont Elementary School (937) 499-1850
1 E Wren Circle, Dayton OH 45420
- Indian Riffle Elementary School (937) 499-1720
3090 Glengarry Drive, Kettering OH 45420
- John F. Kennedy Elementary School (937) 499-1830
5030 Polen Drive, Dayton OH 45440
- Kettering Early Childhood Education Center (937) 499-1450
2600 Holman Street, Moraine OH 45439
- Oakview Elementary School (937) 499-1870
4001 Ackerman Boulevard, Dayton OH 45429

What are our hours of operations?

The Integrated Preschool Program offers morning and afternoon sessions, Monday through Thursday and follows the Kettering City School Calendar for holidays, breaks, and conferences.

- Morning Session: 8:00 AM -10:30 AM
- Afternoon Session: 12:00 PM - 2:30 PM
- Itinerant Services: traveling special educator, are available, a minimum of four monthly visits for eligible students

What are the costs?

The cost for typically developing Mentor Students is \$2,200 per year or \$220 per month. Payments are due at the beginning of each month for the following month. Families can apply for a tuition waiver each school year to cover part or all of the tuition cost. Completed ODE Eligibility Screening Tools and income verification must be submitted to be considered for a waiver. The Preschool Promise program also offers tuition assistance for children who are 4-years-old and have completed the waiver process. The Eligibility Screening Tool forms are available at your child's school office. Students with an IEP participate at no cost to the parents.

How are students registered for preschool services?

If you have concerns about your child's development and would like your child evaluated, contact our Parent Mentor, Julia Timberlake at Julia.Timberlake@ketteringschools.org. Parents of children with identified special needs (IEP) should contact Dawn Potter at Dawn.Potter@ketteringschools.org for registration information.

Parents of typically developing peer mentors can go to www.ketteringschools.org for a registration packet. The following information must be included as part of the registration process for all Integrated Preschool students:

- Completed registration packet
- Copy of original birth certificates
- Current immunizations and physical exams
- Proof of residency (mortgage statement, rental agreement)
- Utility bill
- Indicate AM or PM placement preference (we will try to accommodate)
- Proof of custody (if applicable)
- A \$20 non-refundable fee due with registration (check/money order, made out to Kettering City Schools, or cash)
- Completed tuition assistance packet along with proof of income

Peer Mentor students must be toilet trained. Parents must submit a current physical exam, immunization record, completed dental form, along with their registration packet and \$20 non-refundable check/money order or cash prior to starting school.

Contact for more information?

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