# Dear Parents,

Welcome to Fridley Public Schools, where we are 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. We are the first and only school district in Minnesota to offer the full IB Continuum to students in grades pre-K through grade 12.

The Kindergarten Preparation Timeline, provided in the center of this brochure, outlines important dates in the 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 their journey to career or 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 and technology.

#### Locations:

Haves 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 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. (Doors open at 8:55 a.m., free breakfast is served before school begins)

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

# Welcome to Kindergarten!



Kindergarten Preparation Timeline:

# **Attend KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP NIGHT**

This year, Roundup Nights will be held in early March. You and your future kindergartner will have the opportunity to meet the school principal and teachers, tour classrooms, and learn more about kindergarten at your school, including information about transportation, extended child care, nutritional services, plus much more.

# Wednesday, March 6

#### **Hayes Roundup**

5:30 - 6:30 p.m. 615 Mississippi Street NE, Fridley 763-502-5200

### Attend the KINDERGARTEN SOCIAL

Thursday, March 7

5:30 - 6:30 p.m. 6080 East River Road, Fridley 763-502-5300

# **Stevenson Roundup**

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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!

# Thursday, May 2

## **Kindergarten Social**

4:30 - 5 p.m. Commons Park, 555 61st Avenue NE, Fridley

# 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 763-502-5156 or visit fridley.ce.eleyo.com to schedule an appointment! (Appointments required)

Questions? Contact Courtney Green at 763-502-5156 or courtney.green@fridley.k12.mn.us



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

Please feel free to contact us at any time with questions you may have. Hayes Elementary: 763-502-5200 or Stevenson Elementary: 763-502-5300



Did You Know? Fridley Public Schools also has a high quality before- and after-school care program for grades K-6 to support families who need a more extended day.

The school-age-care component of Tiger Club is located at the Fridley Community Center, and provides tuition-based before- and after-school care, where students can participate in a variety of fun and engaging activities designed to build confidence and explore interests. For more details about hours, schedule, tuition and registration please contact 763-502-5107 or go to commed.fridleyschools.org and click on Tiger Club Childcare.

Tiger Club also runs a full summer of programming that includes field trips, swimming, meals and much more. Kindergartners can get a jump start by enrolling in the summer program PRIOR to their kindergarten school year!





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

## **Prepare for BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHTS**

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

Be sure to watch your mailbox and email in August!

You will receive information on: Your child's teacher assignment, your Back-to-School Night date, and first day of school information.

# **Before- and After-School Care**





# **Ready to Register!**

Your child must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2024 Students must fall into the birthdate range: Sept. 2, 2018 - Sept. 1, 2019

\*If your child is already enrolled in our 4-year-old preschool program, there is no need to re-register for kindergarten.

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

#### 1. Go online

 Visit 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 () scan me 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 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

Drop off or mail to: Attn: Lori O'Dowd, Enrollment Coordinator, Fridley Community Center, 6085 7th Street NE, Fridley 55432

Email: 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 REOUIRED DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED.

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

# The International Baccalaureate (IB) The E-12 Continuum at Fridley Public Schools



At the center of an International Baccalaureate (IB) education are students with unique learning styles, strengths and challenges. 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 prekindergarten through fourth grade. 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.



# **REMINDERS!**

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

#### Your child WILL NOT BE ASSIGNED A TEACHER until you have completed

#### Early Childhood Screening

Register for 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 763-502-5156 to schedule an appointment or register online for an upcoming screening date. *See other side for additional details*.

#### 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. All 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.

#### **Did You Know?**

Fridley Public Schools is Minnesota's first and only school district to offer the full IB Continuum to students in pre-K through grade 12.

#### the following requirements:

IB CONTINUUM

#### Up-to-date Immunizations

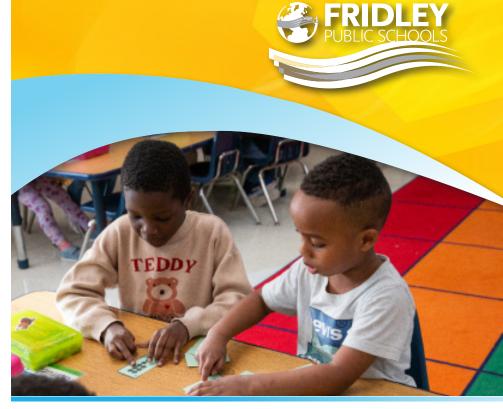
At your child's 5-year-old checkup with your doctor, ensure all immunizations are up-to-date. *Immunizations are required by law, and no student will be able to start on the first day without having these completed*.

#### • Submit Required Documents

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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# FRIDLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION GUIDE



International Baccalaureate World Schools