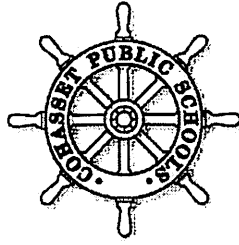


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January 3, 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Thank you for your interest in the Cohasset Public Schools Integrated Preschool Program for the 2023-2024 school year. Attached to this letter is an application for the preschool lottery and should be completed by all interested and eligible Cohasset residents by January 31, 2023. A birth certificate and a document from each category on the Proof of Residency form must accompany all applications.

To be eligible for our preschool, children must be at least three years of age and not older than five years of age before September 1, 2023. The preschool provides children with and without special education needs the opportunity to learn and grow in an inclusive, diverse learning environment. The program serves children with a wide range of abilities and affords all students opportunities for highly specialized teaching and the chance to learn and interact with a variety of learning styles. Maximum enrollment in each classroom is 15 children with up to seven of those children receiving special education services. There will be a screening process completed for students to determine if they are appropriate peer models based upon screening tools. Based upon screening tools, children may be referred for additional assessments.

It is important to note that we are not a traditional preschool or daycare. As an integrated preschool, our primary goal is to serve the needs of our special education students. Of tremendous benefit for them is the inclusion of typically developing peers as role models, which is the reason peer preschoolers are integrated into the program structure.

The Preschool Program conducts screenings and evaluations throughout the year. If a parent or guardian has a concern about any area of a child's development (ages 3-5), s/he is welcome to contact our office to discuss the need for an evaluation.

Tuition rates are determined by the school committee and are competitive with other public integrated preschool programs for the 4 day a week 10 hour program. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 781-383-6104 or email [bcerwonka@cohassetk12.org](mailto:bcerwonka@cohassetk12.org).

Thank you,

Barbara Cerwonka

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