



Cambridge-Isanti Schools



Educating. Empowering. Inspiring.
Every Student, Every Day
www.c-ischools.org/kindergarten

Registration Opens January 1

KINDERGARTEN OPTIONS

Our tuition-free, full-day kindergarten options are open to all children who will turn age 5 by September 1, 2025.

We're excited to welcome all students, whether you live within our district borders or beyond. Our goal is to provide a supportive and enriching environment for every child. Choose the kindergarten option that works best for your student, and let's make this year a wonderful start to their educational journey!



Cambridge Primary School & Isanti Primary School

Our primary schools offer excellent kindergarten programs where children thrive in a nurturing environment that upholds high learning standards, supporting each child's unique talents.

School of attendance is determined by the student's home address.

Cambridge Primary School

310 N Elm St.

Cambridge, MN 55008

763-691-6500

cps.communications@c-ischools.org

Isanti Primary School

301 Heritage Blvd. NW

Isanti, MN 55040

763-691-8778

ips.communications@c-ischools.org

Cambridge-Isanti STEAM School

C-I STEAM School integrates science, technology, engineering, art, and math into our K-5 curriculum, focusing on collaborative problem-solving and project-based learning.

Busing is available for all students located within the Cambridge-Isanti Schools boundary.

Cambridge-Isanti STEAM School

101 9th Ave. NE

Isanti, MN 55040

763-552-8800

CISTEAM.communications@c-ischools.org

Cambridge-Isanti Schools Online

Cambridge-Isanti Schools Online offers a flexible, home-based kindergarten program where young learners thrive with engaging lessons that meet state standards. With personalized support services and opportunities for social connections, your child will build a strong foundation for future success in a nurturing environment.

Cambridge-Isanti Online

625 Main St. N

Cambridge, MN 55008

763-691-8606

cionline@c-ischools.org





Parent/Guardian Need-to-Know



Early Childhood Screening

The state of Minnesota requires that all children entering kindergarten have an Early Childhood Screening done or scheduled by the first day of school. Hearing, vision, speech, cognitive, and motor abilities are the areas of development that will be assessed during the screening. This is a FREE and simple check of how your child is growing and developing.

To schedule a free appointment go to the [Early Childhood Screening website](#).

For additional information:
Call (763) 691-6691 or
Email earlychildhood@c-ischools.org

Safety & Security

The safety of your child is our highest priority. We work to ensure school grounds and building entrances are carefully monitored. Students are not allowed to leave during the school day unless signed out by an authorized adult. All staff are required to wear an ID badge throughout the school day. All visitors must check in with a valid picture ID at the school's main office and wear a visitor badge while in our schools.

Before & After School Programs

Adventure Center Program is a fee-based program for children in grades PreK-5 that is available from 6:00 AM until the start of the school day and from the end of the school day until 6:00 PM. At Adventure Center your child will have opportunities for recreation time, STEM activities, and creative arts projects. For more information, visit the Adventure Center Website or call (763) 689-6180.

Immunizations

Families must provide records that their child has had immunizations or submit a notarized conscientious exemption with the school **before** their child starts school.

The immunizations that are required for Kindergarten are as follows:

Dtap/Td/Tdap Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis	Polio	Hep B Hepatitis B	MMR Measles Mumps Rubella	Varicella* Chickenpox
✓✓✓✓✓	✓✓✓✓	✓✓✓	✓✓	✓✓

*Varicella shot(s) not required if Pupil Immunization Record Form is signed by child's doctor saying the child has already had chickenpox.

✓ Indicates each individual immunization required.

Isanti County Public Health is an option for free immunizations. Call (763) 689-8290.

If you have questions, please contact one of our health offices:

Cambridge Primary Health Office: (763) 691-6505

Isanti Primary Health Office: (763) 691-8704

C-I STEAM Health Office: (763) 552-8809

Busing & Transportation

Bus transportation is provided at no cost to students who live outside of the walk boundary and within the district boundaries of Cambridge-Isanti Schools. Our transportation department strives to provide quality services, focusing on safety first.

Outside of the district? Transportation is available to open enrolled students from one of seven community stops.

For more information, visit c-schools.org/transportation or call (763) 552-6287.



It's Time to Register

We want to make this an easy and user-friendly process. Collect the information below to enroll. If you need support, the friendly staff at our schools would be happy to help!

Registration Checklist

Gather the following items before getting started. If you are missing items, complete the online registration now and bring updated documents to school at a later date.

☐ Proof of Child's Age and Legal Name

A copy of your child's official birth certificate, passport, or approved official documentation.

☐ Proof of Residence

A copy of the front page of a lease or rental agreement, property closing papers, or current utility bill if it has the parent/guardian's correct name and address. If your child is not a resident of Cambridge-Isanti Schools, please complete the Non-Resident Student Enrollment form under Open Enrollment found at www.c-ischools.org/enroll now.

☐ Early Childhood Screening

If your child was screened through C-I Schools, we already have their screening on file. If your child was screened in another district, contact that district and have them fax or mail their results to the school your child will be attending.

To schedule a free screening appointment, go to the [Early Childhood](http://www.c-ischools.org/early-childhood) website and choose a screening date. www.c-ischools.org/early-childhood

☐ Immunizations

A copy of your child's immunization record. You may submit partial immunization information at the time of registration and email, mail, fax, or drop off any changes to the records that occur before the start of school.

☐ Custodial Documents, *if applicable.*

☐ You're Ready to Enroll!

Visit our enrollment page at www.c-ischools.org/enroll now

New families will need to create a Skyward Family Access account, while current families can login to their existing account.

Contact Us

If you have questions regarding enrollment, contact your future school. You may also email or fax required documents, if needed.



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Frequently Asked Questions about Kindergarten Registration



- **I cannot find my child's birth certificate. Can my child still enroll?**

Yes – Your child may still enroll, but we need a copy of the official birth certificate, passport, or approved official documentation before school starts. If needed, you can obtain a certified birth record from the recorder's office at any Government Center of the state in which they were born.

- **I need help uploading the required document to the online registration. What should I do?**

We want to make this an easy and user-friendly process. Continue to register without uploading the document by clicking "save and go to next step"; bring the document to the school's main office at a later date. Our school offices also have computers available for families to register. Feel free to stop in.

- **Can I enroll my child even if they have not had the early childhood screening?**

Yes – Register for kindergarten now, and then register online for a screening appointment before August at www.c-ischools.ce.eleyo.com/courses/category/ecfe/87/early-childhood-screening. If you have questions, call the Early Childhood Program at (763) 691-6691. You may also call Isanti County Public Health or your child's physician. State law requires screening (anytime from age 3 - 5) before starting kindergarten.

- **My child was screened in another district. What should I do?**

Contact the district where they were screened and request your child's screening records be sent to the school your child will attend.

- **My child has not had their 5-year-old shots. Should I still complete the enrollment?**

Yes – Complete registration with any immunizations your child has had so far. You can turn in additional immunization records at a later date. State law mandates immunizations be completed before starting school. If a required immunization is contrary to your conscientiously held beliefs, please submit the notarized exemption form instead.

- **My child is enrolled in Preschool. Do I still need to complete the enrollment?**

Yes – Our preschool programs are optional and have a separate registration process from our K-12 programs. To ensure we have all the necessary information on file, students must be enrolled in Kindergarten.

- **My child won't be attending C-I Schools this year. Do I need to do anything?**

Yes – Please call (763) 689-6191 or email cienrollment@c-ischools.org and let us know. We will update our records so that you are removed from the mailing list and don't get reminder calls in the spring.

- **When can I bring my child to visit the school?**

In spring each year, we invite our future kindergarten students to visit school and begin building the excitement for kindergarten. Plan to attend with your child. We want students to become familiar with their new school to support a smooth transition into Kindergarten. Please save the date:

- Isanti Primary School - March 31, 5:00-6:00p.m.
- Cambridge Primary School - April 3, 5:00-6:00p.m.
- C-I STEAM School - March 31, 5:00-6:00p.m.

Kindergarten, Here We Come!

We are often asked how families can best prepare children for the transition to kindergarten. Reading to children, talking to them, and giving them a wide variety of experiences set the stage for learning through play. On the first day of school, teachers are so excited to welcome children who are curious and eager to learn.

It's important to remember that each child develops at their own pace. If you are looking for ways to practice being a kindergartener with your child, here are a few suggestions.

FEELING

Likes the thought of going to school and becoming a big kid

Speaks clearly, in complete sentences most of the time

Cooperates when interacting with other children

Works independently for at least five minutes

Accepts minor disappointments or limits without tears Is willing to try new things

Understands and follows two-step directions (e.g., take off your coat and put it on the hook)

THINKING

- Shows an interest in books and reading and can listen to a story for five minutes
- Holds a book and turns pages correctly
- Knows some songs and rhymes
- Recognizes most letters in the alphabet
- Identifies labels and signs in the community (McDonald's, Walmart, etc.)
- Pretends to read and write
- Knows first and last name and writes their first name without help
- Knows names of family members
- Recognizes similarities and differences in sizes, shapes and colors of objects
- Tells and retells familiar stories or experiences
- Counts and recognizes numbers up to 10
- Enjoys a variety of outings: library, park, zoo, etc.
- Understands how to use crayons, paint, glue, pencil and scissors
- Shares ideas with drawings rather than scribbles
- Is willing to try to complete a task



DOING

- Demonstrates personal care (washing hands, dressing, eating, using the bathroom)
- Recognizes their possessions: jacket, lunchbox, etc.
- Cooperates with clean-up

If you have questions or concerns regarding your child's readiness for kindergarten, please contact your child's primary school principal or Cambridge-Isanti Early Childhood program. Preschool programs for children ages 3-5 years old are available. There is a fee associated with preschool, but scholarships are available. Contact Early Childhood at (763) 691-6691 for more information.