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Dear Mahwah School Community:

The Mahwah Public School District has opened the registration process for our 2025-2026 full-day kindergarten program. Preliminarily, welcome to our school district!

It is important that we gather accurate and timely enrollment information about next school year's incoming kindergarten class. Any resident child aged five on or before October 1, 2025, is eligible for enrollment.

Our district now uses an online pre-registration format for all incoming kindergarten students. The online pre-registration process consists of the submission of basic student enrollment information and a brief developmental survey completed by parents/guardians, as well as links to health and physical forms.

All families of incoming kindergarten students need to provide proofs of residency to validate enrollment eligibility. A list of acceptable documents can be found on the online pre-registration link. Once the pre-registration form has been submitted, you will receive an email from noreply@realitinc.com with links and instructions for uploading the requested documents.

Parents/guardians requiring information regarding which school their child will attend should contact the district administrative offices at: (201) 762-2407.

The pre-registration forms must be completed **by Friday, March 14, 2025.**

**Pre-registration can be completed at:**

<http://www.fridayparentportal.com/mahwah/preregistration>

For your convenience, and to facilitate collection of **remaining documents, physical and immunization records**, you can scan the documents and email them to the respective school. Below are the email addresses for each school.

- ✚ This email address is **only** to be used for document collection
- ✚ Documents requiring original signatures must be **submitted physically to the school**
- ✚ File size cannot exceed **25 MB**

School	Email Address
Betsy Ross School	<a href="mailto:br-registration@mahwah.k12.nj.us">br-registration@mahwah.k12.nj.us</a>
George Washington School	<a href="mailto:gw-registration@mahwah.k12.nj.us">gw-registration@mahwah.k12.nj.us</a>
Lenape Meadows School	<a href="mailto:lm-registration@mahwah.k12.nj.us">lm-registration@mahwah.k12.nj.us</a>

Information about online pre-registration and links to registration documentation can be found on our district website: <http://www.mahwah.k12.nj.us>.

An orientation will be held at each school in late spring. Primary school principals will provide further information regarding orientation to parents/guardians after the registration process is completed.

In the spirit of continuing to remain flexible, as we are unsure of what the spring will bring, the dates for orientation have been scheduled, but are subject to change or be adjusted:

School	Orientation Date	Orientation Time
Betsy Ross School	May 21, 2025	9:15 a.m.
George Washington School	May 29, 2025	9:45 a.m.
Lenape Meadows School	May 29, 2025	9:45 a.m.

We thank you for your help and ask you to help us spread the word about our kindergarten registration process to neighbors and friends who may have kindergarten-aged students.

Prior to the exciting start for your incoming kindergartener, we also have optional programs in place, specific to preparing your child for the start of their Mahwah Schools experience, if you should be interested in participating. **Please find those programs and their descriptions listed on the following page of this notification.**

As we draw closer to the spring, more information will be available about each.

We look forward to meeting you in fall 2025!

Sincerely,



Michael DeTuro, Ed.D.  
Superintendent



Dennis M. Fare, Ed.D.  
Assistant Superintendent

## **Kindergarten-Readiness Summer Programs - 2025**

### **Safety Town Program!**

Safety Town is an early childhood education program designed to introduce all types of safety conditions to our incoming kindergarten students. During this five-day program in late June, children learn safety behavior through their own involvement. They do this by role-playing in simulated and actual life situations under the guidance of teachers and student volunteers. Safety songs, stories, movies, and visits with the police, fire department, and first aid personnel make this program a fun learning experience that children eagerly look forward to attending! The program will follow all safety measures aligned to the most current district procedures.

### **Kindergarten Kickstart Program!**

The summer Kindergarten Kickstart Program is aimed at preparing children for their transition into kindergarten as a new learner. Participation in this program will focus on kindergarten readiness skills, including literacy-based activities, arts and crafts, cooperative play, learner behaviors, and navigating the school building. This program will also provide the opportunity for peer interactions and socialization prior to the first day of school. All incoming kindergarteners across the district are welcome to register.

### **Kindergarten Playdate!** (Hosted [by the Mahwah Schools Foundation](#))

Prior to the official start of the school year, incoming kindergarteners and their parents/guardians will be invited to meet up to enjoy music and games, as an opportunity for parents and incoming students to meet their new school communities.

