

P1350 PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS

BOARD POLICY:

The Wichita Public Schools will operate prekindergarten programs designed to provide planned experiences for preschool aged children as funds are available and approved by the Board of Education.

Administrative Implemental Procedures:

1. All prekindergarten programs sponsored by the Wichita Public Schools must be consistent with the overall philosophy of the school district, utilize an evidence-based curriculum, and must be coordinated with the K-12 program in the district. Alignment to the Kansas Early Learning Standards (KELS) will be used to address literacy, math and social emotional development.
2. Each child must present a birth certificate indicating age four (4) as of August 31.
3. School day will range from 2 hours 50 minutes to 3 hours 30 minutes per day, depending upon specific program funding requirements. A limited number of all-day programs will continue as funding allows.
4. Fees will not be charged for prekindergarten supplies in district funded or Title 1 funded programs.
5. Prekindergarten programs will offer the most inclusive classroom as possible. Children receiving Early Childhood Special Education Services, who are Dual Language Learners (DLL) and English Learners (ELL), who are from migrant worker families, and whose families are experiencing homelessness, should be included in Preschool-Aged At-Risk classrooms.

Administrative Responsibility: Learning Services - Early Childhood Education

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