

Does my incoming child need to be potty trained to attend TK?

The District STRONGLY encourages you to potty train your child before the start of the school year. Your child not being potty trained before entering school takes time away from their instructional day. It can also take time away from the parent's day. If your child had an accident that requires more than changing their clothes, parents or emergency contacts will be called to come and clean their child.

What does it mean to be fully potty trained?

Fully potty-trained students may have an occasional accident. Fully potty-trained means that the pupil:

- Comes to school in big kid underpants (not pull-ups)
- Can communicate a need to use the bathroom
- Can independently take care of toileting (pull down underpants, sit on toilet or stand at urinal and void the bowels or bladder)
- Can independently manage related hygiene (can access toilet paper, wipe, place used toilet paper in the toilet bowl, flush, pull up underpants without assistance, and wash and dry hands)

Will TK classrooms have a bathroom?

All TK classrooms are located near a bathroom. Teachers will encourage students to use the bathroom during breaks and routine potty times.

What happens if my student has an accident at school?

Students will be sent to the health office to change if they are wet or wait for their parents to pick them up if they have had a bowel movement.

How can I learn more about the toilet training process?

We have linked some helpful articles below. For more specific information or guidance, consult your child's pediatrician.

Evidence-Based Suggestions for Children 0-5

Is my child ready for Potty Training?

Developmental Milestones for Potty Training

Healthychildren.org

Toilet Teaching Without Tears

Toilet Teaching Without Tears-Spanish

Toilet Teaching Without Tears-Podcast

Resources to help with potty training

Free Potty Training Visual Schedules

Potty Training-Let's Get the Job Done. Mayo Clinic

Videos

Elmo's Potty-YouTube

Daniel Tiger-Stop and Go Potty