PEMBROKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS Kindergarten Information Presentation

THIS IS WHERE THE FUN STUFF HAPPENS



PLAY GIVES DRFN

HEY ARE

LEARNING.

-MR. ROGERS





April 2, 2025

OUR MISSION:

To ensure student achievement through excellence in teaching and learning.

72 Pilgrim Road, Pembroke, Massachusetts 02359

You may be wondering...

What is the process for enrolling my child in Kindergarten?

What do I need to know about starting school?

Who can I contact with questions?

What is the timeline?

www.pembrokek12.org or Contact our secretary: elise.desmond@pembrokek12.org



Kindergarten Registration

Registration is online at: www.pembrokek12.org

Some things you will have to do:

- create an account
- provide documents
- download & print a questionnaire
 - This should be passed in to Ms. Desmond by May 16th
- Once you have filled out all the paperwork, you will receive a link to sign up for screening
- click on link to schedule a screening date
- apply for transportation (buses)



School Nurse

Proof of Immunization and a recent updated Health Physical is required for incoming Kindergarteners.

Refer to the Pembroke Public School's website for further information.

If your child has any allergies or medical concerns or you have any questions, please feel free to contact:

Meg Leach, RN Margaret.Leach@pembrokek12.org



Kindergarten Screening

You will be able to sign-up for screening when you register for Kindergarten.

All students must be screened.

Screening Dates:

- Monday, May 19
- Tuesday, May 20
- Wednesday, May 21



Some things we look for:

- Fine motor
- Gross motor
- Following directions
- Articulation
- Separation from caregiver
- Personality / behaviors
- Name writing
- Identifying colors & shapes
- Counting
- ABCs
- Nurse check for vision & hearing

NPES Hours



Absences & Changes in Dismissal Plans

Absences

We use the PickUp Patrol app or Call 781-826-5115, option 8 and leave detailed message for nurse



PickUp Patrol is an app that eliminates the need to write notes or make phone calls when changing your student's dismissal plans





Early Dismissals (before 2:45)

- Doctor's appointment
- Leaving early to go on vacation
- Family Obligations
- Etc.

Before & After School

Old Colony YMCA

All questions regarding before and after school care can be directed to Joanne Nickerson at 508-833-4796

Pembroke Recreation Program

All questions regarding the Rec can be directed to Jessica Fulmine at 781-293-3249



Transportation

Bus

- Apply for transportation during the online registration process
- A bus tag will be issued at Kindergarten orientation in August
- Bus routes will be listed the week before school begins on the website



Morning/Afternoon Car Drop Off/Pick Up

- Rolling drop off and pickup (Please do not park or exit your car!)
- Car tag will be provided with student's last name that must be displayed on windshield



Food Policy:

- NO sharing
- NO food brought in for celebrations
- Teacher will alert families if it is an "allergy classroom"

Breakfast, Lunch & Snack

MySchoolBucks

This online payment service provides a quick and easy way to add money to your student's meal account using a credit/debit card or electronic check.

You can also view recent purchases, check balances, and set-up low balance alerts.

Student ID#

Teacher will provide this to you. It will follow students through their entire time in Pembroke Public Schools. It is used to set up MySchoolBucks and pay for food in the cafeteria.

Contact: Cindy Lucas-Terra with questions.



District and School Communication

How will I know what's happening?

- School Website
- Broadcast Emails
- Paper notices typically go home on Thursday
- Seesaw app (classroom communication)
- NPES Facebook
- NPES PTO Facebook



August Letter from NPES

- A Welcome Letter including:
 - PTO Playground Playdate Information
 - Kindergarten Orientation Date
 - Upcoming Important Dates & Events
- Teacher Assignment & Class list
- Drop off instruction with map
- Parent pick up form



A Typical Day in Kindergarten

- 8:40 Start the Day
- Unpack, Morning Routine, Morning Work, Morning Meeting, Calendar
- ELA/ Learning Centers
- Lunch
- Specialists- Gym, Library, Music & Art
- Math
- Recess on the playground
- Snack
- Guided Play
- Closing Circle and Pack Up
- 3:25 Dismissal

Is it time for Kindergarten?

This is usually the time of year a parent says, "Is my child ready for Kindergarten?"

Kindergarten students come to school with a variety of skills and experiences and your child's teacher will work with them and guide them through a successful school year. Below are some readiness skills to consider practicing with your child.

Independent Personal Needs	Social Skills	<u>Academic Skills</u>
 Wash hands Use the bathroom independently Change clothes Put coat on and take off (zip, button, snap) Unpack and open lunch & snacks Put on shoes and boots 	 Follow directions Sit for short periods of time Cooperate with peers and adults Advocate for help when needed Demonstrates productive struggle 	 Listen and engage with a story Hold a book and turn the pages Recognize first and last name Uses crayons,pencils and scissors properly Identifies most letter names Directional words (up, down, near, etc.

We look forward to the 2025-2026 school year!

