

Full-Day Pre-K 3 Registration for September 2026

Bayonne Board of Education

ON-LINE REGISTRATION Pre-K 3 2026-2027

**Registration opens February 2nd at 9:00 a.m. and closes
February 16th at midnight.**

If demand exceeds available spaces, a waitlist will be maintained.

*** Registration will resume July 2026***

The Bayonne School District is excited to be offering free full-day Pre-K 3 programs at the following locations:

- **Busy Little Bees Preschool and More**, 625 Avenue C, Bayonne
- **Community Day Nursery**, 591 Broadway, Bayonne
- **Jewish Community Center**, 1050 Kennedy Boulevard, Bayonne
- **Leaders of Tomorrow Preschool II**, 554 Broadway, Bayonne
- **Lightbridge Academy**, 191 Lefante Way, Bayonne
- **Sunshine Club Center**, 1002 Broadway, Bayonne
- **Kiddie Corner Learning Center**, 392 Broadway, Bayonne
- **Kiddie Corner Learning Center II**, 234 Broadway, Bayonne
- **New Wave Daycare**, 859 Broadway, Bayonne
- **The Children's Place Childcare Center**, 13 E 21st St., Bayonne

Children must turn 3 years old on or before October 1, 2026. (No exceptions.)

Parents/legal guardians must be residents of Bayonne.

Placement in these programs will be made on a first come, first served basis in order of receipt of completed online registrations. Placement letters will be mailed on or before July 1st.

Visit www.bboed.org, click "Parents", and then "Registration" to get started.

Checklist for Registration:

(Please have clear scanned copies of all of these documents ready before you begin.)

- ❖ Birth Certificate and/or Passport
- ❖ Immunization record – front and back, must show student's name, date of birth and must be in English
- ❖ Photo ID of parent or legal guardian
- ❖ Custody papers, if applicable
- ❖ **Three (3) current** proofs of Bayonne residency in parent/guardian's name.

All requirements must be met for Registration. Applications without all required documents will not be processed. All Bayonne School District Pre-K offerings are expressly dependent upon and subject to the availability of NJ Department of Education (NJDOE) funds to the Bayonne School District. Offerings are subject to change based on NJDOE funding.

Acceptable proofs include documentation such as:

- PSE&G bill
 - Cable TV/Internet/Phone bill
 - Water bill/Tax bill
 - Credit card or bank statement
 - Driver's license or registration
 - Deed/mortgage statement
 - Renter/Homeowner's Insurance
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Full Day Pre-K Frequently Asked Questions

What are the eligibility requirements for the Full Day Pre-K 3 Program?

Children must be 3 years of age on or before October 1, 2026. Children must reside in Bayonne, New Jersey. There are limited spaces available for Pre-K3. Students will be placed on a first come, first served basis in order of completed applications, with all required documentation included.

What are the locations of the Full Day Pre-K 3 Program?

Full Day Pre-K3 will be available at the above mentioned facilities.

How will my child's school location be determined?

During the application process, you will be asked to rank the schools in your order of preference. Once your application is complete and documents are verified, your child's placement will be determined based on your choices, and availability at that time.

Can I transfer my child to another location if I'm unhappy with the provider my child was placed in?

No. No transfers will be issued once placement has been determined.

What are the classroom requirements and support staff for Pre-K?

Each classroom is an inclusive environment with one P-3 certified teacher, and one classroom assistant. There are a maximum of 15 students in each class.

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What are the school hours for the Full Day Pre-K Program?

The school day is 6 hours. The school hours for the program are determined by each provider, complementing the schedule of the Bayonne public schools in order to allow for pickup at their locations and Bayonne public schools in a timely manner. Families that register for Pre-K are committing to a full 6 hour school day, half day or part time is not an option.

Does attendance count in Pre-K?

Attendance counts and matters in Pre-K! Students are expected to attend school daily, unless they are ill. It is recommended that a doctor's note accompany their return if applicable. NJDOE defines Chronic Absenteeism as being absent 10% of the total expected days of school. This equals 18 days of instruction lost. **If a child is absent for more than 10 consecutive school days, the child will be removed from the program's enrollment.**

What is the Pre-K curriculum?

The Bayonne School District and its partners use the High Scope Preschool Curriculum, which is based on the principles of active learning and support of a child's positive interactions with adults and peers. Our Preschool Curriculum is a comprehensive model that addresses all areas of development through eight content areas and 58 key developmental indicators (KDIs) — the skills and behaviors at each stage of development that pave the way for school and adult success. Each KDI is connected to and reinforced by scaffolding strategies to support and gently extend children's learning.

What is rest time?

In a full day program, 3 and 4 year-olds, by law, must have a 40 Minute Rest Time in the daily schedule.

Does my child eat meals in school?

Students remain in their classroom for all meal times with a teacher. Individual provider flyers & directors will give details regarding lunch in their facility.

Will transportation be provided for students in the Full Day Pre-K Program?

No. Transportation will not be provided to the students in the program, unless indicated on the child's IEP.

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Do Pre-K providers have before & after care?

Bayonne Board of Education funding is responsible for the 6 hour school day. Any before or after care is completely at the discretion of each provider.