

Beecher Road School

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Dear parents of incoming Kindergarteners,

If you are new to the Beecher community, then welcome! If you have older children learning with us then we are so thrilled to welcome another one of your kids to our wonderful school!

As you may already know, the State of CT changed the entrance age for incoming Kindergarten students. Students are now expected to be 5 years old, on or before September 1st. We understand that this has an impact on our parent community, however, as educators we do believe that starting Kindergarten at the age of 5 is in the best interest of many of our children.

We are required to assess any students who will turn five between September 1st and January 1st whose parents request said assessment. The Beecher Road School administration has worked with administrators from the Bethany and Orange school districts in order to determine the processes we will follow to meet the new state mandate. As such, we will offer an assessment on Tuesday, March 31. You will receive an individual email with the time of your child's assessment; however it will be between 3:30 and 5:00. We anticipate the assessment taking about an hour. Please note, you will not be in the same room as your child.

The assessment will be administered by members of the Beecher Road School staff and will include literacy and mathematics components. There is no need to prepare, rather we ask that you encourage your child to relax, participate and enjoy their visit! Finally, we will share the assessment results with you once it is scored. We will not reassess students if they do not qualify to attend Kindergarten in the fall.

If you are interested in having your child assessed, please contact me at asherman@woodbridgeps.org. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Thank you, and we look forward to meeting you and your child soon!

Sincerely,

Analisa Sherman
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