Freeport Area School District Transition Plan for 2026-2027

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TRANSITION ACTIVITY	ACTION STEPS	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	TIMELINE - BEGIN	TIMELINE – COMPLETE
Continue to establish a communication network	Update lists and contact information of area preschool and daycare facilities; continue working with Early Learning Connections and ARIN Early Intervention	Building principals	Fall 2026	Fall 2026
Develop a Calendar of Activities for distribution to child care facilities, preschools, and FASD elementary families	Committee members will develop the calendar in June 2026 and refine it during the early fall of 2026 Distribute the calendars to local child care facilities and preschools, and request that they be given to FASD parents Provide calendars in the elementary schools for distribution to parents who register their children in the summer	Committee members Building principals	June 2026	August 2026

Collect “gently used” children’s books to distribute at Kindergarten Orientation	Inform elementary principals, PTO presidents, and local child care directors about this project Request elementary schools child care centers, and local libraries to contribute books	Elementary principals’ and PTOs’ support Communication with district parents and staff	Summer 2026	Summer 2026
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Publicize Kindergarten Registration	Communicate via *Individual school links *Letters/emails to District families *District website *Local newspapers *Posters in district buildings/preschools/day cares *Display on electronic marquis *Social media	Building Principals IT Coordinator Admin Office Building Secretaries	January 2027	March 2027

Conduct two forums for parents of FASD pre-kindergartners. The forum will be comprised of local child care and preschool directors/teachers and FASD kindergarten teachers, principals, etc., to inform parents about the kindergarten program and readiness activities	Discuss/Plan the process with the elementary principals Invite the local child care directors to participate in the forum. Publicize and schedule the forum Conduct the forum in March/April 2027	Elementary principals Kindergarten teachers	Promotion to begin in February 2027	March/April 2027
Register pre-kindergartners for the 2027-2028 school year.	Provide online pre-registration letters to parents with directions for registering and for scheduling screening appointments	Building Principals School secretaries IT Coordinator Admin Office	February 2027	March 2027
Administer the DIAL 4 Screening Assessment	Discuss the plan with the elementary principals preschool/ child care directors Conduct DIAL 4 Screening Assessments in April/ May 2027	Building Principals Kindergarten Teachers Support Staff	April/ May 2027	April/ May 2027

Provide Parents with DIAL 4 Score reports with explanation guide and scoring norms Offer meetings with parents to review, discuss, and interpret DIAL 4 score reports Use score reports as a component in developing classroom assignments	Mail DIAL 4 score reports with explanation guide and scoring norms Conduct meetings with parents to review, discuss, and interpret DIAL 4 score reports Construct classroom assignments	Building principals Kindergarten Teachers Building Secretaries	June 2027	August 2027
Conduct a Kindergarten Summer Tour	Invite parents and incoming Kindergarten students to the summer tour Meet with Kindergarten staff in both buildings to develop agenda and activities (principal presentation, building tour, intro to staff, craft activity, story activity, bus ride)	Elementary principals Kindergarten teachers Support staff Transportation Director	Invite sent in July 2027 Planning meeting in June 2027	Event in August 2027
Hold parent and student orientation Conduct an Early Childhood Activity Night	Prepare for parent and student orientations Plan and organize Early Childhood Activity Night - Publicize	Elementary Principals Kindergarten Teachers Transportation Department Elementary Principals Community Action Agency Early Childhood Education Committee	Invite sent with summer tour reminder in Early August 2027 Invite sent in September 2027	Orientation – week prior to the start of school in the evening August 2027 Early Childhood Activity Night in October 2027

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Hold a K-4 "Step-up" Activity	Plan and organize a K-4 Step-up day to introduce/ transition students to next grade level	Elementary Principals, Counselors, and Teachers	Planning for the event to occur in April 2027	Event to occur in May 2027
Hold a 5th grade MS scheduling meeting	Scheduling meeting with MS staff	Elementary Principals MS Principal and Guidance Counselor	Planning for the event to occur in April 2027	Event to occur in May 2027
Hold a 5th grade MS "move-up" day	Plan and organize a "move-up" activity day for 5th grade students	Elementary Principals MS Principal and Guidance Counselor	Planning for the event to occur in April 2027	Event to occur in May 2027
Hold a 6th grade orientation	Plan and organize 6th grade orientation program for the summer	6th Grade staff and students	Planning for the event to occur in June 2027 (invite mailed to parents/students in July 2027)	Event to occur in August 2027
Conduct a Kindergarten Summer Boot Camp/ Kindergarten readiness program (TBD)	Invite students who scored below a determined percentile to a two-week summer readiness instructional program with District Kindergarten Staff	Elementary principals Kindergarten teachers Support staff	Invite sent in July 2027 Planning meeting in June 2027	Event in late July or early August 2027