

February 9, 2024

Parents and Guardians of Franklin Township,

The purpose of this letter is to announce the open registration for our free-full day preschool program for the 2024-2025 school year. This will be the third year of this program that was started after we received a grant through the New Jersey Department of Education/Division of Early Childhood Services.

This program is a great opportunity for families with preschool aged children in Franklin Township. Attached to this letter is a Frequently Asked Questions page for your reference.

If you are aware of any families with preschool age children that do not have siblings at Franklin School, please pass this information along to them.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at the school.

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Sincerely,

Matt Eagleburger



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Full-Day Preschool Program FAQs:

What ages are eligible for the program?

Any child that turns 3 or 4 years of age before October 1, 2024.

Does the program follow the same schedule as the other grades in the school?

Yes. It operates five days per week, with the same starting and ending time as other grades. (8:40 - 3:15)

How do I apply for the program?

Complete the Preschool Registration form (located on the front page of the website - www.franklinschool.org) and submit it with a copy of your child's birth certificate, immunization records and physical exam report to Chris Carter, Superintendent/School Secretary (ccarter@franklinschool.org)

Is my child guaranteed a spot in the program, if I submit a registration form?

No. However, we have planned for over 50 preschoolers and believe we will have room for all students.

How is acceptance determined?

School districts participating in this program may set up their own criteria for registration acceptance, provided it is not discriminatory. As mentioned above, we believe we will have room for all students.

Do I need to transport my child to school?

Free transportation will be provided by the district for those that opt for that service. Given that some parents may be hesitant about their younger children riding on the bus, they are always welcome to transport their children themselves. We will be surveying parents to identify who will need transportation services.

Will my child be able to purchase lunch in the cafeteria?

Yes. Once your child has been accepted into the program, a scan card will be issued to them and additional information will be provided to you on how to set up your online lunch account.

Is Childcare available for this program?

No. Childcare services are run by the YMCA. Preschool age children are not eligible.

If my child turns 5 before October 1, 2023 can I still enroll them into the Preschool program?

No. Your child will attend Kindergarten at Franklin school or you may choose to send them to another preschool. That determination is set by guidance per conditions of the grant of which the preschool is funded.