

Frequently Asked Questions

When does Early Childhood Pre-Kindergarten (Pre-Kg) start?

Early Childhood Pre-Kindergarten classes begin for 2018 - 2019 school year(s) to be determined (TBD).

Who is eligible to apply for SLPS Pre-Kindergarten?

To be eligible to apply for the SLPS Pre-Kg program, families must have children who meet age eligibility & city residency requirements.

District employees must also meet age and residency requirements. Condition of employment does not guarantee enrollment.

What is the age eligibility for Pre-Kg enrollment?

To enroll in an SLPS Pre-Kg classroom, children MUST be three years old on or before July 31st of the enrollment year. Priority will be given to four and five year old children, who do not meet the age criteria. Pre-Kindergarten seating is limited; enrollments are on a "first-come, first-served" basis with all required documentation.

What is the residency requirement?

Families who enroll in the SLPS Pre-Kg program must be residents of St. Louis city. Parents/guardians must provide verification of a utility bill from the city of St Louis (i.e. Ameren, Spire, and ST. Louis City Water Division). The verification must be valid and include parent/guardian(s) name and current address.

How do families enroll in a neighborhood school?

How to begin your process:

- 1. To identify your neighborhood school, click <u>Early Childhood site locations</u> to view listing. You may also contact the Recruitment and Placement Office at 314-633-5200, please have your home address, and zip code available.
- 2. Complete the Pre-Registration Form. Click on the <u>Pre-Kindergarten</u> <u>Information</u> link or from the ECE Welcome page click on the <u>Pre-Kg</u> tab at the bottom. Click on <u>Pre-Registration</u> form to submit.
- 3. Begin acquiring the necessary documents for enrollment, see below "What families need to bring to complete enrollment."
- 4. Families will be notified of enrollment dates/times via post mail and automated phone calls once determined. Please check the Early Childhood calendar for registration schedule.
- 5. New student enrollments will occur in the spring. For additional questions, contact us at (314)331-6150.

Appointments are scheduled based on staff availability.

How are students assigned to SLPS Pre-Kg classes?

Parent/guardian will receive an Approval Letter from the Early Childhood Education Office that secures their child's seat placement. The assigned school will then place students to their designated classroom.

Is there sibling priority?

Yes, however seating is limited and placement is "first-come, first-served" basis (Sibling priority is not a guarantee of placement). In addition, families with multiple children must also meet and comply with the registration and enrollment procedures.

Will transportation be provided to Pre-Kg age Children?

Please contact First Student Routing for all transportation concerns, Monday - Friday from 6:00am to 5:30pm at 314-389-2202.

P3 students - <u>Are not eligible for transportation</u>. (Please contact the transportation office directly for students with specialized services)

P4 students - Transportation is **NOT** guaranteed. Families that enroll in a non-neighborhood school will be responsible for transporting their student. Please contact the transportation office directly for eligibility and routing information.

What families need to bring to complete enrollment?

Please bring the following documents to finalize enrollment:

- 1. Official government issued Birth Certificate or Passport Children must be of age by July $31^{\rm st}$; enrollment age begins at three. Birth Certificate must include official seal
- 2. Parent/legal guardian identification valid government issued identification or passport.
- 3. **Proof of residency** Must be a current St. Louis city resident with a utility bill in your name for your present address from (Ameren, Spire Gas, or St. Louis City Water Division). District employees must also meet residency requirements; condition of employment does not guarantee enrollment.
- 5. **Current Immunization/shot Record** (Proof of child's current health insurance if applicable)
- 6. Current physical exam completed by child's physician that includes the Lead and hemoglobin numeric results (within the last year).
- 7. Current dental exam completed by the child's dentist (within the last year).

ALL documents must be presented at the time of registration.

Why your personal information is required?

St. Louis Public Schools adheres to all state and federal guidelines mandated to public schools.

For more information about Early Childhood Education:

Please contact our office at 314-331-6150 for additional information.

