



## WEST CLERMONT LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### West Clermont School District Pre-School Frequently Asked Questions

#### **Will WCSD offer preschool programming in the 2019-2020 school year?**

Yes, half-day integrated preschool programming will continue to be offered in West Clermont Schools.

#### **What is the WCSD integrated preschool program?**

The WCSD integrated preschool program is a high-quality pre-kindergarten program that provides an engaging and developmentally appropriate environment and learning experiences for students to prepare them for kindergarten. Each class has the capacity to include eight students who are developing typically and eight students identified with special needs. In each class, an Early Childhood Intervention Specialist engages students in curricular experiences that are aligned with the Ohio Department of Education's Early Learning and Development Standards along with the support of a paraprofessional. Additional services are provided for students as intervention needs are identified.

#### **Is my child eligible to attend a WCSD preschool?**

Students who live in the WCSD boundaries, who are 3 through 5 years of age on or before September 30th and are toilet trained are eligible to apply for preschool. Students who are 5 years old by September 30 and are developing typically are not eligible for preschool programming in WCSD. Students with special needs are not required to be toilet trained for enrollment. Team decisions will be made for current preschool students who will be 5 years of age on or before September 30th to determine whether they will transition to kindergarten next school year.

#### **Where will WCSD preschool classrooms be located for the 2019-2020 school year?**

Four classrooms will be located at Holly Hill Elementary and four classrooms will be located at Willowville Elementary. There will be morning and afternoon sessions in each of the eight classrooms.

#### **Where will my child attend preschool?**

Students living in the new attendance boundaries for Clough Pike Elementary, Summerside Elementary, Willowville Elementary and those who live north of State Route 125 in the Withamsville-Tobasco Elementary attendance area will attend preschool at Willowville Elementary.

Students living in the new attendance boundaries for Amelia Elementary, Holly Hill Elementary, Merwin Elementary and those who live south of State Route 125 in the Withamsville-Tobasco Elementary attendance area will attend Holly Hill Elementary.

Each preschool classroom will include a blend of students from throughout the north or south boundary areas. Current and new students will be placed as described above until seats are full in one location and then seats in the other location will be offered to interested families.

#### **What are the hours of operation for the morning and afternoon sessions at each school?**

WCSD's preschool program is in session Tuesday through Friday each school week per the WCSD calendar. Students attend either the morning or the afternoon half-day session. The morning and afternoon session times will be determined based on the start and end times of each elementary



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building. Early assessments of school start times indicate that the morning and afternoon session times will be as follows:

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| Morning Session   | 9:20am - 12:15pm |
| Afternoon Session | 1:05pm - 4:00pm  |

### **How are students enrolled for preschool programming?**

Current preschool students who will continue to meet the age requirements or whose team recommends continued preschool participation for the 2019-2020 school year will be able to renew their enrollment.

The district is considering various models for preschool enrollment for new students who are developing typically. More details about this process will be shared by January 15, 2019. The preschool enrollment process is planned to take place in February, 2019.

Parents and guardians of students with identified special needs documented in an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or of students for whom a disability is suspected should contact the WCSD Special Education Department at 513-943-5032 for additional enrollment information.

### **What is the tuition and fee for preschool programming?**

The tuition for students who are typically developing is \$1575 for the school year, paid in monthly payments of \$175, September through May. A \$100 non-refundable tuition deposit will be due at the time of enrollment and this deposit can be applied toward the first month of tuition. Tuition is waived for students with identified special needs who are being served via an IEP.

Payment is due on the first of each month and is considered late on the 11th of each month. If the tuition payment is not made by the end of the month in which it is due, the student will not be permitted to return to school until the tuition payment is made. If tuition is not paid for two consecutive months, the student will be withdrawn from the program. No deductions are made for vacations, snow days, illnesses, etc. Please note that if tuition payments are not received, the amount owed will be carried over to the student's school age record until paid.

An annual school fee of \$50 is due for all preschool students, those who are typically developing and those with identified special needs.

### **Is transportation provided for preschool students?**

Transportation is provided for students with disabilities. Parents and guardians of students who are developing typically are responsible for providing transportation.

### **Will the district continue to examine and explore preschool options?**

Yes, WCSD will continue to assess programming options that best meet the needs of preschool students in the coming year and moving forward.