

Waterbury Public Schools

Kindergarten Registration



Register your child for **Fall 2016** Kindergarten **NOW!**

How old does my child need to be to go to Kindergarten? *If your child turns 5 years old on or before January 1st 2017 (born no later than January 1, 2012) then he or she is eligible for free full day kindergarten in Waterbury Public Schools.*

School doesn't start until fall - why should I register now? *You have better chance of your child attending your neighborhood school if you register in the spring. Schools are getting ready for your child and will offer registered families Kindergarten orientation sessions that include free uniform shirts, books, and snacks along with information to help you and your child get ready.*

Where do I register my child for kindergarten? *You must come to the Family Intake Center on the 1st floor of One Jefferson Square. You will be asked to fill out registration forms. Free visitor parking is available in front of the building in the lot.*

What do I need to bring to complete the registration packet? *Bring ALL of the following:*

1. *Child's Birth Certificate or Passport;*
2. *Current Physical Examination Record (within 1 year) or an appointment card for a Physical Exam;*
3. *Up to date record of child's shots (Immunization Records);*
4. *Proof of Residency; and*
5. *IF your child is receiving Special Education Services- A copy of current IEP (Individual Education Plan)*

What is proof of residency? *Bring a copy of a recent utility bill (current month), telephone or cell phone bill, natural gas, electric or cable bill, current lease, pay stub, or a notarized letter that includes your name and address.*

What if I am not the biological parent but a guardian, grandparent, relative, or foster parent? *Bring Legal Proof of Guardianship that proves that you can make educational decisions for the kindergarten child.*

How do I know what day to register my child? *Registration takes place for each school on specific dates. Please find your school according to your street address. **ONLY** Kindergarten students for those schools will be registered on those days. A schedule is available on <http://www.waterbury.k12.ct.us/news/index.php#560>, Cable Channel 16, or as a last resort- call the Family Intake Center 203-346-3511.*

The following schools are registering on these dates:

SCHOOL	REGISTRATION DATES
Bunker Hill	February 19, 22, 23
Generali	February 24, 25, 26
Kingsbury	February 26, 29
Wendell Cross	February 29, March 1
Chase	March 2, 3, 4
Tinker	March 7, 8, 9
Duggan & Gilmartin	March 10, 11
Reed & Walsh	March 14, 15

SCHOOL	REGISTRATION DATES
Regan & Washington	March 16, 17
Bucks Hill	March 18, 21, 22
Carrington	March 23, 24
Wilson	March 28, 29
Hopeville	March 30, 31
Driggs	April 4, 5
Sprague	April 6, 7, 8

What are the days and times I can register my child for Kindergarten at the Intake Center? *The Family Intake Center will take Kindergarten registrations Monday to Friday 8:15 am-2:45 pm.*

What if I miss my day to register? *Come in Monday-Friday after April 8th during business hours and the Family Intake Center will take your child's registration.*

What if I need help filling out the packet? *The Family Intake Center will help and your child's preschool may help with completing the forms. Be sure to have all the needed documents and complete all the questions on all the forms.*

Should I bring my child? *If your child speaks a language other than English at home or as his or her dominant language, then bring your child to the Intake Center at registration time.*

How will I know what school my child is going to attend? *When your child's registration is complete, your child's school will notify you.*

I may move before Kindergarten starts. Shouldn't I just wait to register my child? *NO don't wait! Register anyway and then call your child's school or the Family Intake Center to let them know your change of address. This makes it easier for you and avoids the long lines in summer and at the start of school. You can plan better for a good start for your child in school.*

How do I arrange a visit to the school with my child before school starts? *All schools will hold Kindergarten Orientations for you and your child before school starts in the fall to answer your questions about the school and kindergarten and to help with the transition into 'big school'. Register your child for kindergarten and you will be on the list to notify you of the date and times for you to go to your school. Families will receive uniform shirts for the kindergarten child, information packets, books, snacks and meet the teachers and school staff.*

I still have questions. *Call the Family Intake Center at 203-346-3511.*

