



EAST GREENWICH TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Preschool Education Aid Frequently Asked Questions (Revised 2.21.25)

1. Do I have to be an East Greenwich Township resident to enroll my child in the preschool program?

Yes, you must be an East Greenwich Township resident to be eligible for the East Greenwich Township Preschool program. The registration process can be found [here](#). Please note, you must provide all required proofs of residency in order for your child to attend the preschool program.

2. What is the tuition cost for the preschool program?

The program is **free** for East Greenwich Township residents selected via the lottery.

3. How old does my child have to be to participate in the program?

For the 2025 - 2026 school year, your child must be 3 years old on or before October 1, 2025. If your child turned 5 years old on or before October 1, 2025, you must register your child for Beginners.

4. Does preschool follow the district calendar?

Yes, preschool follows the district calendar which can be found [here](#). Please note that preschool students will have 4 additional early dismissal days throughout the school year, so required training can be provided to preschool teachers and staff. The dates are highlighted on the calendar for planning purposes.

5. How long is the preschool program?

The program is five days a week, six hours per day.

6. Does my child have to attend for a full school day, five days a week? Can they attend for a half day or on a partial schedule?

The Preschool Education Aid program requirements mandate this as a full-day, five days a week program. If enrolled, children must attend for the full day, five days per week provided they are not sick.

7. Where will the preschool classes be held during the 2025 - 2026 school year?

The preschool program is held at the Jeffrey Clark School.

8. Does my child have to be toilet trained to enroll in preschool?



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No, your child does not need to be toilet trained to participate in our preschool program. Our staff will work with you to continue the training while he/she is in school.

9. Will transportation be provided?

Yes, preschool students who are eligible for transportation are bussed to school. Preschool buses include a bus aide and only preschool students are transported on them.

10. How does my child get selected for the preschool program?

A. To be considered for the preschool lottery, please complete the Preschool Lottery Application found [here](#) by **Friday, March 14th at 10:00am**. Late applications will not be considered.

B. Once registered in the lottery, you will receive an email by Wednesday, March 19th with a lottery number and directions to access to the live, virtual lottery.

C. **The lottery will be held on Thursday, March 20th at 10:00am**. We will draw numbers until all available seats are filled. When the number of students needed to fill the available preschool spots is reached, applications will continue to be assigned a number until all lottery applications have been drawn. This list will be used as our preschool waiting list.

D. Parents will be notified by email by Monday, March 24th at 10:00am with lottery results. If a student drops out or declines a placement and a vacancy occurs, we will go to the next number on the waiting list and that student's parents will be contacted. We will utilize this waitlist throughout the year.

E. If your child was selected for the preschool program, you will be contacted to begin the registration process. Please click [here](#) for registration requirements. Students may not participate in the program until all registration requirements are met.

11. My child has an IEP. Do I need to complete the Preschool Lottery Application?

No, children with IEP's do NOT participate in the lottery. As per NJDOE code, your child's program and services will be determined by his or her IEP.

12. I have multiples (twins, triplets, etc.) What happens if only one of them gets into the program via the lottery?

Please submit one Preschool Lottery Application for each of your children. If one of your multiples is selected via the lottery, both or all of the multiples will be given a seat in the program.

13. I have two children who are eligible for the lottery. What happens if only one of them is selected via the lottery?



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If one sibling is selected via the lottery, the other sibling is NOT automatically provided a given seat in the program.

14. If my three year old is selected via the lottery this year, is he or she automatically enrolled next year?

Yes, if a child is selected to attend this year, he or she does not need to enter the lottery again next year.

15. If I am currently on the waitlist for the 2024-2025 school year, will I have to reapply to the lottery?

Yes, in order to keep a fair process, all families who are on the waitlist for the 2024-2025 school year will have to reapply to the lottery for the 2025-2026 school year.

16. What curriculum is used with the preschoolers?

We implement Creative Curriculum, which is a state-approved curriculum resource.

17. Do preschoolers have nap time?

Yes, there is a one hour nap/rest time after lunch.

18. Is before or after care available for preschool students?

The district is actively exploring expansion of before and after care for preschool students for the 2025-2026 school year. If you have an interest, please indicate it on your lottery application. A final decision will be made in the spring of 2025.

19. Who can I contact for more information about the lottery?

Please contact Andrea Evans, Superintendent, at evansa@eastgreenwich.k12.nj.us.

20. Who can I contact for more information about the preschool program?

Please contact Erica Green, Supervisor of Early Childhood at greeneg@eastgreenwich.k12.nj.us.