

PRE-K FREQUENTLY ASKED
QUESTIONS

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WHY IS PRE- KINDERGARTEN IMPORTANT?

Students who are given the advantage of attending a Pre-K program develop much needed emotional, academic, and social skills they may otherwise lack when entering kindergarten

Students who develop self-regulation skills gain confidence as they master academic concepts and learn to cooperate with their peers helping them to be more successful in Kindergarten and beyond

HOW OLD DOES
MY CHILD HAVE
TO BE TO ENROLL
IN PRE-K?

A child must be three years old on or before
September 1, 2023 to enter Pre-K3 program or four
years old on or before September 1, 2023 to enter a
Pre-K4 program



WHEN DOES THE ENROLLMENT PROCESS START FOR PRE-K?

- The application process will start on April 1st
- On April 29th, a Pre-K Round-up will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., at the Bill R. Johnson CTE Center
- During the Pre-K Round-up, applications will be processed for students that qualify for the program and families will be provided language and Special Services supports

WHAT HAPPENS IF I'M NOT ABLE TO ATTEND THE PRE-K ROUND-UP?

- All applications will be reviewed and processed
- If additional information or documents are needed, the campus' Registrar will contact you, and request the additional documentation
- Once the information/documents are received, the application will be processed within five school days
- The campus' Registrar will contact you once the application has been approved or denied (via automated email)

DOES MY CHILD
HAVE TO QUALIFY TO
GO TO PRE-K FOR
FREE?

Limited ability to speak and comprehend English language

Economically educationally disadvantaged

Homeless

The dependent of an active duty member of the armed forces

The dependent of a member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserve component of the armed forces, who was injured or killed while serving on active duty

Child has ever been in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services

The dependent of a person eligible for the Star of Texas Award

WHAT IF I DO NOT MEET THE QUALIFICATION ABOVE?

Children who are three or four years old on or before September 1 of the current school year and who do not qualify for free pre-kindergarten program, are eligible to enroll in Crowley ISD's Tuition-Based Pre-K Program

Enroll your three or four-year-old child for \$200-400 a month (August - May). The tuition amount is based on your household income

A completed tuition agreement is required before enrollment

Payments will be due by the first day of each month. (The first month tuition payment is due within 10 days of the approved application)

Parents can sign up for an account to pay their tuition through RevTrak

Failure to make payment may result in removal from CISD's tuition-based program



MY CHILD IS THREE OR
FOUR-YEARS-OLD AND
DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR
PRE-K. CAN I ENROLL IN
A TUITION-BASED
PROGRAM?

The tuition-based Pre-K option is available for four-year-old students at all 16 elementary campuses.

Three-year old students may attend our full day program at David L. Walker and Parkway. (This is based on availability)

If your application has been processed and the agreement has been completed, you will be contacted on or before August 1st. The first tuition payment must be made with in 10 days of notification or on or before August 1st.

WHAT SCHOOL
WILL MY FOUR-
YEAR-OLD
STUDENT ATTEND?

Prekindergarten for four-year-old students will be offered at all elementary campuses. Your campus is based on your address.

Please visit the CISD website for School Locator



IS TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED?

Transportation is available to students enrolled in a Pre-K4 program if they live further than 2 miles from their home campus

Bus transportation is not provided for students on a parent initiated transfer

Per TEA, Pre-K3 students are not permitted to ride school buses

WILL YOU OFFER PRE-K FOR THREE-YEAR-OLD STUDENTS?

Two campuses will offer half-day Pre-K for qualifying three-year-old students. (Bess Race and Oakmont)

Head Start is a full-day program that is offered at Bess Race, Meadowcreek, David L. Walker, and Parkway.

Full-day, tuition-based Pre-K3 are available at David L. Walker and Parkway. (space is limited)

Jackie Carden has a Vietnamese Pre-K program for qualifying students.

WHAT CAMPUS WILL
MY 3-YEAR-OLD
STUDENT ATTEND?

Bess Race (AM /PM Option)

Meadowcreek (Full-Day Option)

Oakmont (AM/PM Option)

Parkway (Full-Day Option)

David L. Walker (Full-Day Option)

Crowley Montessori - District Approval

Jackie Carden and Sue Crouch (ECSE - AM/PM Option)

MY CHILD QUALIFIED FOR
BILINGUAL
PREKINDERGARTEN. WHAT
CAMPUS WILL MY CHILD
ATTEND?

Students will be placed by Language Support Services
Pre-K3 is full-day at the bilingual campuses.

Jackie Carden

Meadowcreek

Jackie Carden

Crowley Montessori
(District Approval)

Parkway

Sycamore

D. L. Walker

J. A. Hargrave

Deer Creek

Oakmont

MY CHILD QUALIFIED FOR
SPECIAL SERVICES (SPED)
PREKINDERGARTEN. WHAT
CAMPUS WILL MY CHILD
ATTEND?

Students will be placed by Special Services

Jackie Carden (PK3 –
ECSE 1/2 Day Program and
PK34– ECSE Full Day)

Sue Crouch (PK3 – ECSE
1/2 Day Program and
PK34– ECSE Full Day)

David L. Walker (Head
Start Blend and ECSE
RISE)

Poynter (Pre-K Blend)

S. H. Crowley (Pre-K
Blend)

Sycamore (ECSE RISE)

IS THERE A FULL DAY OPTION FOR THREE AND FOUR-YEAR-OLD STUDENTS WITH HEAD START IN CISD?

Full day Pre-K is offered to three and four-year-old students through our Pre-K Plus partnership (Head Start) with Child Care Associates. These full day programs are offered at Bess Race, Meadowcreek, David L. Walker, and Parkway

Students must meet Head Start eligibility to participate in this program

Please visit <https://childcareassociates.org/head-start-early-head-start-information-page/> to learn more about qualifications for this program

Students that qualify for Head Start in CISD will be dually enrolled

HOW DO I QUALIFY FOR PRE-K PLUS (HEAD START) OFFERED?

Child must be at least 3 years old by September 1st
and meet one of the following

- 100% poverty level
 - Homeless
 - Foster Care
 - Public Assistance
- Disability - As defined by LEA and Part B standards
 - Families must also apply and qualify for CISD

DOES MY CHILD NEED TO BE POTTY TRAINED TO ATTEND PRE-K?

Children that are not yet potty trained may not be excluded from school.

Parents are strongly encouraged to start preparing their child to independently access the restroom.

CISD has a Personal Care Plan in place to support children that have frequent accidents.

All prekindergarten and kindergarten students are required to have a complete change of clothes at school daily to ensure that your student can change into clean clothes should they soil themselves.

WHAT DOCUMENTS ARE NEEDED FOR REGISTRATION?

Proof of eligibility prekindergarten

Parent/Guardian Photo ID

Proof of age and identity of the student such as

- birth certificate
- adoption records
- any other legal document that establishes an identity

Current Immunization Record

Proof of Address such as

- Utility Bill
- Lease Agreement

WHAT DOCUMENTS
ARE NEEDED TO
APPLY FOR FREE
PK?

Proof of Income such as

- Current check stubs
- 2022 Income Tax
- TANF Award Letter
- Social Security Award Letter
- Unemployment benefits Letter
 - Child Support Letter
- Food Stamp Award Letter

WILL I NEED TO PROVIDE UPDATED DOCUMENTATION OF MY INCOME AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR?

If your student is moving from PK3 in CISD to PK4 in CISD you WILL need to provide new documents to requalify for the 23/24 school year

If your student is NEW to CISD:
Once your application is approved for enrollment, no additional income documentation is needed

CAN MY CHILD GO
TO A CAMPUS
OTHER THAN OUR
NEIGHBORHOOD
SCHOOL?

Parents can get more information about transfers by
visiting <http://www.crowleyisdtx.org/PreK>

The transfer application window will be available in
late May for both in and out of district applicants.



IS MY CHILD
GUARANTEED A SPOT
IN PRE-K?

All eligible students are guaranteed access to prekindergarten.

Tuition based Pre-K seats are limited and are subject to availability.

DOES MY CHILD
NEED TO HAVE A
CURRENT SHOT
RECORD?

You will need to have your child's most current immunizations at registration

If your child is not current on immunization you will be asked to ensure they get required shots prior to the first day of school

Please contact your school nurse if you need support with this

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Thank you for selecting
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Pre-K Program!