

Pre-Kindergarten Application Process

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All elementary schools in Washington County offer access to full-day PreK. Eligibility requirements are reviewed first, and then open availability is given to as many students as possible that may not first qualify. Please apply, regardless of income!

Enrollment in WCPS Pre-Kindergarten

- After March 1, obtain an application at any elementary school or on-line at wcpsmd.com.
- A child must be four years old by September 1st of the current school year to enroll.
- Public Pre-K in Maryland is designed to serve children of families who are economically disadvantaged and/or homeless families, however WCPS enrolls regardless of income until all seats have been filled.
- Once the application is complete, please drop off or send the application with the required income eligibility documentation (listed on the application) to 10435 Downsville Pike, Hagerstown, MD 21740. Applications received without the necessary income documentation cannot be processed.
- The application will be reviewed, and if determined eligible, an enrollment packet will be sent to the parent/family of the student.
- When all documents in the enrollment packet are complete, please take all documents to the Pre-K school location that your child will attend. Enrollment packets will not be accepted through postal services. The packet must be dropped off at the school.
- After your child is enrolled, if appropriate, transportation will be arranged. Transportation is only provided for students living in the school district in which they are attending Pre-K, students with disabilities, or students who are homeless
- If your child is attending a Pre-K location outside of his/her school district, parents/families must provide transportation.
- ***Schools will notify the families regarding start date of school and start date of transportation for each child.***

