

NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Dear Parents:

Welcome to the Nashoba Regional School District Kindergarten Program for the 2018/19 school year. If you have a child that will turn 5 by August 31, 2018, please complete the enclosed Application and return it by December 22, 2017. Full kindergarten registration takes place in the spring. To complete the registration process, additional materials and information will be sent to all families of incoming kindergarten students who have returned the Application. Parents who wish their children to attend half day may still choose this option.

All classes will follow the Massachusetts State Curriculum Standards for kindergarten that include: English Language Arts and Literacy, Math, Science, Social and Emotional Learning, and Approaches to Play and Learning. The typical kindergarten day may include social time with friends, morning meeting, story time, music and movement, snack and outdoor/large motor activity, instructional time and learning centers for: language/reading readiness, writing, math, computers, science, social studies, educational games, dramatic play, and art. The second half of the full-day program will include lunch, rest time, a second outdoor time, snack, and more time for extended learning and projects. Specials will be integrated throughout the day.

All kindergarten classroom activities and practices are based on the Massachusetts Curriculum Standards for Kindergarten and are "developmentally appropriate" (curriculum that meets the needs, developmental levels and learning styles of each child). We recognize the importance of social and emotional development in the early years and the progression of academic skills, as students are ready. The full-day allows more time to extend the learning, reinforce skills, process content and concepts through intentional play. However, children who spend the second half of their day with an attentive adult can have similar opportunities. The most important variable is not the length of the day but the quality of the experiences children have. All our kindergarten programs are accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). For more information please visit www.naeyc.org.

The current tuition for full day kindergarten is \$3,250 per year. If your income falls below 100% of the State Median Income, your tuition will be based on a sliding scale fee. See attached Income Guide. Contact Cynthia Maxfield, Early Childhood Coordinator, if you think you may eligible. You must make an appointment to qualify.

If you have additional questions concerning the kindergarten program, call Cynthia Maxfield, Early Childhood Coordinator, at 978-779-5547, ext. 2041, or myself.

Sincerely,

Sean O'Shea, Principal
Mary Rowlandson School

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INCOME GUIDE PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN 2018

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Brooke Clenchy
Superintendent

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The following sliding scale for the preschool & Kindergarten programs are based on the Massachusetts State Medium Income (SMI)

Tuition assistance is available based on a sliding scale fee according to the following income guidelines.

100% Yearly State Median Income by Family Size

<i>Family Size</i>	<i>Maximum Gross Yearly Income</i>
2	\$72,192
3	\$89,184
4	\$106,176
5	\$123,156
6	\$140,148

If your family income falls below these guidelines call Cynthia Maxfield @ 978-779-5547, to determine if you are eligible.

Before beginning tuition assistance, all paperwork must be completed and we must have confirmation of placement. **You must bring the information listed below to a scheduled appointment**, or you will be charged the full tuition. Please call for your appointment yearly in the spring.

1. Birth Certificate (for all the children in your household)
2. Proof of Address (utility bill/car registration, home or car insurance, copy of rental agreement)
3. Proof of Income (documents of one month's household income from **all sources**)
4. Picture ID (we will make copies of driver's license)

If you are self-employed, please ask for a self-employment packet when you call to schedule.

Thank you.