

Hamblen County Schools Pre-K Application Process "Jump Start to Educational Excellence" for Four-Year Old Children

Pre-K prepares children for success in kindergarten. There are limited seats in Pre-K across the Hamblen County School District. *Your child must be four years old by August 15, 2021 to be eligible.*

Voluntary Pre-K Classrooms

Voluntary Pre-K is an educational program with funding awarded by the state department of education. The purpose of the program is to provide four-year old children, identified as being educationally and economically at-risk, with access to a high-quality academic learning environment in order to prepare them for future educational success. The program is free for eligible families based on 2021 US Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines.

In order to apply for VPK, the parent/guardian must bring the following items:

- Proof of birth
- Social Security # (if available)
- · Child's up-to-date immunization record
- Photo identification of the parent/guardian
- · Proof of legal guardianship if not the parent
- Two proofs of residency in Hamblen County (utility bill, rent receipt, tax bill, or proof of official mailing address)
- Last year's federal tax returns, if filed, or statement from employer of this year's projected income.
- Complete an income eligibility form and report all household income.

<u>Applications for VPK programs will be accepted March 8th-April 9th, 2021 at the VPK school in which you desire to enroll.</u> Application packets may be picked up from the individual school or accessed online at www.hcboe.net. Parents will be notified of their acceptance in the VPK program by April 16, 2021.

HCDOE operates eight VPK classrooms at the following locations: Hillcrest Elementary School (423-586-7472), Lincoln Heights Elementary School, (423-586-2062), Manley Elementary School (423-586-7400), Russellville Elementary School (423-586-6560), West Elementary School (423-586-1263), and Witt Elementary School (423-586-2862).

Tuition Pre-K

Three locally funded Pre-K classrooms are located within the district for a fee of \$125 per week. First-priority enrollment is granted to four-year old children of HCBOE employees. Acceptance in Tuition Pre-K for remaining seats is strictly through a random drawing due to the program having more applicants than classroom openings.

Applications for Tuition Pre-K should be turned in to the individual school no later than the end of the school day on March 12, 2021.
Tuition Pre-K classroom teachers will notify families of their acceptance by March 19, 2021.
Families will have two weeks following notification to submit required enrollment documentation.

Tuition Pre-K classrooms are located at the following schools: Manley Elementary School (423-586-7400), Russellville Elementary School (423-586-6560), and Union Heights Elementary School (423-586-1502).

Application paperwork for both programs will be available at individual schools or online at www.hcboe.net. For more information about Hamblen County Pre-K programs, call the Pre K schools or 423-522-2080.











^{***}Developmental pre-k classrooms are available for 3 and 4-year old children with developmental delays or disabilities that have an Individual Education Plan. Call the Special Services Department at 423-581-3067 for information.



Voluntary Pre-K Application Information

Welcome and thank you for your interest in the Hamblen County Schools Pre-K program! This very important preschool program is primarily funded through a grant provided by the Tennessee Department of Education along with some local funding. It is an important educational program offered to children who live in Hamblen County and who are four years old by August 15, 2021.

Voluntary Pre-K means you are requesting to enroll in the Pre-K program. Once accepted into the program, excellent attendance is expected. This is an important first step in your child's education. Students are expected to maintain attendance at 90% or risk losing enrollment in the program. Space is limited and a waiting list is maintained once all the available spaces are filled.

In accordance with Tennessee law and rules and regulations of the State Department of Education, students who meet the following qualifications will have priority for being accepted into the program:

- · Child is four years old on or before August 15, 2021
- Family resides in Hamblen County (school zone does not matter)
- · Military Parent is KIA, MIA, or POW
- · Family meets federal income guidelines

Please complete the VPK application and submit it with the following information:
☐ Income verification form
☐ Two proofs of residence in Hamblen County
☐ Proof of Birth
☐ Social Security # if available
Parent/quardian's photo ID.

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Today's Date	Child's Name				_
Birth Date	Gender:	_ Male	_Female		
Home Address			(Stree	t Address and Apt. #	:)
				(City/State/Zip Code)
Phone Numbers:	home		work	C6	ell
Person completing this form:Other family member (spec	•		•	•	
Family Data Child lives with: _ Parent(s)Other (specify)		Father	Grandpare	ents Adoptive	
Number of people in the house	ehold				
What is the first language you	r child learned to speak? _				
What language does your child	d speak most often outsid	e of schoo	ol?		
What language is spoken mos	t often when at home?				
Please check any of the follow	ring items that pertain to y	our child:			
☐ Child receives special educa	tion services				
☐ Child is in state custody or fo	oster care				
☐ Child attended Early Head S	tart or Head Start				
☐ Child/family receives food sta	amps (EBT) or Families Firs	t (TANF)			
☐ Child is homeless or migrant					
☐ Child has a history of abuse/	neglect (DCS involvement)				
☐ Child has a military parent w	ho is missing in action, killed	I in action,	or a prisoner of	war	
Other at/risk factors:					
Does your child receive books	from the Imagination Libr	ary? Yes_	No		
Signature of person filling out	this form:				
Application taken by:	Date:				

Pre-K 1st Choice:	Pre-K 2nd Choice:	Pre-K 3rd Choice:
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2021-2022 Pre K Application

Pre K Student Data Form

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
Student resides with	Relation	Legal Guardian Y or N
Birth Date Age _	Gender M or F	Social Security
Ethnicity (Circle one.) Hispanic Non-Hispanic Race (C	Circle all that apply.) White Black Indian	Asian Pacific Islander US Citizen Y or N
Birth City Birth County	Birth State	Birth Country
Home Language Pr	imary Language	Limited English Proficient Y or N
 Does your child have a diagnosed disability? (IEP) Y	or N IEP from Local Education As	sociation? Y or N IEP attached? Y or N
Is a parent of your child incarcerated? Y or N	Is a parent of your child a teen parent	? Y or N
Mother's Full Name		Maiden Name
		Y or N Active Member of Guard Y or N
Residence (911 Address)	City	Zip
Mailing Address	City	Zip
County Email Address		
Primary Phone Cell	Phone	Work Phone
EmployerEmploymen	t Address	
Number you preferred to be notified by Emergency N	, , , , , , ,	
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Father's Full Name		
Language English or Non-English Active Military Residence (911 Address)		Y or N Active Member of Guard Y or N
(If different from mother's 911 address)	City	
Mailing Address	City_	Zip
(If different from mother's mailing address)		Consider and other had W. N.
County Email Address Cell Primary Phone Cell		
Employer Employment		
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A copy of the legal court order regarding child's parents. A legal custody order is required from a	•	hool if student does not reside with both
Guardian's Full Name		
Language English or Non-English Active Military	Y or N Active Member of Reserves	Y or N Active Member of Guard Y or N
Residence (911 Address)	City	Zip
Mailing Address	City_	Zip
County Em	ail Address	
Primary Phone Cell	Phone	Work Phone
EmployerEmploymen		
Number you preferred to be notified by Emergency N	ountication System (School Messenger)	96-4V S



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Please Circle One

Income Eligible: Yes / No

If yes, and enrolled, student should be classified as (L) in student information system

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Application to Determine Income Eligibility for the Voluntary Pre-K Program

Completion of this form <u>DOES NOT</u> qualify your child for the Free or Reduced Meal Program. Submission of this application is not a guarantee of acceptance into the VPK program.

Name of Student:					Date	of Appl	licatio	on: 		
SSN of Student: Date of Birth of Student:										
Name of A	pplicant:				Rela	tionship	to St	tudent:		
Mailing Ad	dress:									
City:			St	tate:				Zip Code:		
Home Phone #:	()		Work Phone #:	()	(F	Cell Phone	e #:()		
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		Pie	ease list informa	ation i	or all other hou Section 1	ISENOI	a me	embers		
Name(s) of ALL OTHER CHIL	.DREN	I in the Household	ı	Date of Birth			School		Grade
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2.										
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Name	(s) of ALL OTHER ADI	JLTS	in the Household			R	elatio	onship to Student		
1.										
2.										
3.										
4.										
5.										
Total # of	household members:									
			Part B	- Pro	gram Partici	oation	n			
Pleas	se check ($$) if Child /Fa							pation, in one or more puired-See Part D).	of the follo	owing
(√)		(√)		(\)		(√)		Cas	e #
	Early Head Start		Foster Care		Migrant			Families First (TANF)		
	Head Start		Homeless		Food Stamps / E	ЕВТ				

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^{*}If submitting proof of qualifying for any of the above programs, you do NOT need to complete Part C.

Part C - Total Household Income

Please list ALL INCOME of all household family members and how often income is received.

Any falsification of information concerning income, residence, birth certificate and/or completion of this application and other forms may be reason for dismissal.

Income Instructions

From the list below, please write the Source of Income Code in the space provided to indicate the source(s) of income for each earning individual in the household. Also, please write the Monthly Payment or Wage Amount. Multiply the Payment or Wage amount by the number months you received the income and then calculate the Amount and the Total Annual Income.

	Source of Income Codes						
A.	GROSS work income	D.	Pension(s)	G.	Veteran's Benefits	J.	SSI Disability
В.	Unemployment	E.	Retirement	H.	Child Support	K.	Other - please list
C.	Workman's Comp	F.	Social Security	I.	Alimony		

Name of Adult	Employer (if applicable)	Source of Income Code (See list above)		by	How many months did you receive this income in the last year?	Total Amour	nt
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			\$ -	Х		\$	-
			\$ -	Х		\$	-
			- \$	Х		\$	-
			-	Х		\$	-
Total Annual (Yearly) Income					\$	-	

Part D - INCOME VERIFICATION

Please check ($$) all documents submitted as Proof of Income or Program Participation.						
Pay Stub / Verification of pay by employer		Retirement Documentation		Foster Care Reimbursement		
W-2 Form		Social Security		SSI Documentation		
Income Tax Form 1040A or 1040		Veteran's Benefit Letter		TANF Documentation		
Unemployment Compensation		Child Support		AFDC / Public Assistance Payment		
Workman's Compensation Documentation		Alimony Documentation		TennCare Verification		
Pension Stubs		Other (Specify): ->	•			

I certify that the above information in this application is correct. I further understand that any falsification of information concerning income, residence, birth certificate and/or completion of this application and other forms may be reason for dismissal from Tennessee's Voluntary Pre-K Program.

Printed Name of Applicant:	SSN#:				
Signature of Applicant:	Date:				
l certif	Name and Signature of LEA employee reviewing this application y that I have examined the above income documentation and verification information. Completed forms must be maintained in accordance with FERPA.				
Printed Name / Title of LEA er	nployee:				
Signature of LEA employee:					
Date Reviewed by LEA employee:					

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