



River Forest
Public Schools

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Dear Families of Incoming Kindergarten Students,

Kindergarten registration for the 2020-21 school year begins February 7. Below are a few brief answers to some common questions that families who are new to District 90 ask about registering their student for Kindergarten.

Frequently Asked Questions

How old must my child be to register for Kindergarten?

Children who will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2020, are eligible to register for Kindergarten.

When should I register my child for Kindergarten?

Registration starts on Friday, February 7. **We ask that you register your student as soon as possible** to help district administrators and school principals make crucial decisions based on enrollment, such as the number of teachers and staff, the number of morning and afternoon sections, and other factors.

How and where do I register my child for Kindergarten?

Families who are new to District 90 must register their incoming Kindergartener at the Administration Office, 7776 Lake Street. The first steps are picking up a Registration Packet and scheduling an appointment with Josephine Ribaudoj in the District Office. Mrs. Ribaudoj can be reached at 708-771-8282 or ribaudoj@district90.org. The Registration Packet contains all the information and forms you'll need to complete before your scheduled appointment. The hours for registration at the Administrative Offices are **8:45-11:00 a.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m.**

Families with children currently enrolled in a District 90 school can enroll directly at Lincoln or Willard Schools.

What forms should I complete and bring to my scheduled appointment?

For a complete list of the documents and forms needed to register your student for kindergarten, please visit District 90's website at www.district90.org. Kindergarten registration materials and information for the 2020-21 school year will be available after Friday, January 24, 2020.

How do I get my child placed in an afternoon or morning Kindergarten class?

We try to honor requests for morning or afternoon classroom placement. However, we cannot guarantee that your child will be assigned a class based on your preference. Our classroom placement process is very deliberate, thorough, and takes into account many elements. We strive to create balanced classrooms by considering many factors, including class size, the ratio of boys and girls, and the varying social, emotional, and academic needs of the children.

We will make every attempt to notify you of your child's morning or afternoon placement by mid-August 2020. Last-minute enrollments can make this process somewhat difficult, so we thank you for your understanding and patience as well as your assistance with early registration.

Who can I contact if I need help with this packet or because of my family's particular situation?

For questions about the registration process, completing the forms, or your specific situation, contact Josephine Ribaudo at ribaudoj@district90.org or 708-771-8282. You can also visit the District's website www.district90.org for additional information.

Please join us at a special Kindergarten Information & Registration Night on Thursday, February 6, at 6:30 p.m. at Lincoln and Willard Schools. Families residing south of Chicago Avenue will attend Lincoln School and families north of Chicago Avenue will attend Willard School. The Kindergarten registration process will start at 6:30 p.m. and the Information Night presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m. You can receive assistance with this packet from school building and district office representatives. This informational event will feature:

- A presentation by the Kindergarten teachers and the school nurse
- A tour of the classrooms
- Welcome from the principal and PTO leadership.

Because this is an information night, it is intended to be for parents only. Your student will have an opportunity to visit Lincoln or Willard at a future date. Please look for your invitation in the coming months.

Welcome to Kindergarten!