Frequently Asked Questions

Where and when will the program be held?

This year, the program will be held in an air conditioned classroom at Liberty Elementary School.
July 11– August 4, 2016
Mon.-Thurs. from 9:00 am—2:00 pm.

How will my child get to school?

Free bussing is provided for all students. A teaching assistant will ride the bus with the students for the first two weeks to teach safe and appropriate bus behaviors and to have children become comfortable with riding a bus to school. Families may also choose to provide their own transportation.

Will lunch be served?

Students may bring lunch and a healthy snack each day along with plenty of water. Students may also purchase lunch. Prices will be included in the registration packet. Please– no glass bottles.

How many students are in the class?

Typically there are 15-20 students enrolled in the program each summer. A certified teacher and a teaching assistant work with the students each day.

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NYACK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Summer Kindergarten Readiness Program 2016



KINDERGARTEN READINESS PROGRAM

The Nyack Kindergarten Readiness Program is open to students who are registered to begin Kindergarten in the Nyack Public Schools in September of this year.

The program has been designed for students who have never attended pre-school and/or those students who need an extra boost in the academic or social skills that are important for success in kindergarten.

The program is free ***to families of registered students who have attended the kindergarten screening in their respective elementary schools and have been recommended via this screening process.***

Families of recommended students will be notified by mail and will need to return the registration forms they receive.

Bussing will be provided for all students in the program unless families choose to walk or drive their children to and from the school.

Regular attendance is encouraged so that students may fully benefit from the program.

What will children be learning?

The focus of the program is to teach and provide multiple opportunities for students to practice basic kindergarten readiness skills and routines and will also include creative play. These include:

Social Skills

- Following directions
- Learning typical kindergarten routines
- Sharing/working cooperatively
- Cleaning up and other self-help skills

Early Literacy and Numeracy Skills

- Listening to a story and answering basic questions
- Understanding that books are read from front to back, left to right and top to bottom
- Basic alphabet and counting skills
- Learning to write their names

Fine/Gross Motor and Directional Skills

- Holding and using a pencil/crayon
- Using scissors
- Understanding directional words including first, last, in front of, behind, over, under, etc.

Is your child registered for school?

- In order to qualify for the Kindergarten Readiness Program, children must be fully registered to begin Kindergarten in the Nyack Public Schools this September.
- If you live in the Nyack School District and you have a child who will be 5 years old before December 1st, they must be registered.
- The families of registered students will be invited to make an appointment for a kindergarten screening that takes approximately 45 minutes. This screening helps us to place children in kindergarten classes for the start of the school year, and to identify children who would benefit from the Kindergarten Readiness Program.

How do I register my child?

To begin the registration process online go to **www.nyackschools.org**
Click on the link for registration under the Superintendent's message to begin the process and to find out which documents you will need in order to register. Every child in a family must be registered separately.

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